



“Unlocking the Potential in ALL Students”

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Dear Families and Stakeholders of Middletown Public Schools,

Since the release of our return to school plan entitled *The Re-Entry: Getting Back to Innovation and Equity*, Governor Lamont and Commissioner Cardona have provided districts flexibility and bound autonomy to start the 2020 – 2021 academic year in their desired operational structure.

Based on a comprehensive analysis of our parent survey, input from our Re-entry Task Force that consists of teachers, administrators, and district leaders, and insights from focus group sessions with students, Middletown Public Schools will begin the academic year in a hybrid model. Critical themes that you have articulated – academic rigor, high-quality blended experiences, more virtual contact, and personalization of learning – will be grounded in the plan, and the safety and well-being of all MPS stakeholders will remain its overarching theme.

The details of the model and supporting structure will be presented to the Middletown Board of Education on Wednesday, August 12, 2020, with official dissemination of the “yellow plan” to families and stakeholders on Thursday, August 13, 2020. Information regarding the “yellow plan” can be found on page 57 and page 58 of *The Re-Entry: Getting Back to Innovation and Equity* document and are attached for your review.

In order for schools to finalize schedules, student cohorts, bus routes, and other important operational logistics, **each family must complete a form in PowerSchool**. The form will be available on Thursday, August 13, 2020, and must be completed **by Tuesday, August 18, 2020**.

Thank you for your ongoing support and cooperation during these uncertain times.

Sincerely,

Michael T. Conner, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools