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Dear Pearl River School Community,

I am writing to provide our families with important updates regarding our plan for re-opening schools. As I indicated at the last board meeting, we are making a change to the upcoming school calendar which will add two additional days for professional development to the start of the school year. (September 3rd and 4th) Therefore, the first student day will be September 8th.

We will begin our first week of school implementing the remote learning model. From September 8th -11th, all students will follow their remote schedule. On Monday, September 14th we will transition to our in-person instruction hybrid learning model AA/BB. You can review both the remote and the hybrid model on our [School Re-Opening Plan](#) on our website.

I believe that this phased-in approach to our return to school and work will provide our schools with the opportunity to identify problems and make final adjustments to our plans before the physical return of our students to their schools on September 14th.

I know that the return to school will contain many challenges and it is critically important that we have the best start to this new school year that we can. Our plans may change as the year progresses, but our resolve to find the best way forward will not. We are all committed to working through these challenges and finding the best solutions available that will improve the quality of the whole educational experience for our students while keeping our district community as safe as possible.

Sincerely,

