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REVERE SCHOOL COMMITTEE APPROVES PLAN FOR HYBRID LEARNING

Students will begin in-person learning week of March 8

REVERE, MA - Today the Revere School Committee voted to approve a plan for Revere Public Schools to enter a hybrid learning model, which will gradually return students to classrooms beginning the week of March 8. The proposal was negotiated with the Revere Teachers Association and impact bargaining will continue throughout the week. Revere Public Schools students have been learning remotely as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic since March 13, 2020.

"We've been working for months to give our students the opportunity to get back in their classrooms, and it feels great to be able to deliver this news to all the families who have been waiting a long time for some relief from the challenges that have come with this extended period of remote learning," Mayor Arrigo said. "On behalf of the Revere School Committee, I want to thank Dr. Kelly and her team, and the many members of our school community who have contributed to our efforts that have brought us to this point."

Under the approved plan, families will have the option to allow their children to continue to attend classes in the remote model or transition to the hybrid model. School principals will be communicating specific details to their respective students in the coming days as they prepare plans to begin hybrid learning.

"We know that people have many questions and our team is working on them collaboratively with our teachers during impact bargaining," said Superintendent Dr. Dianne Kelly. "Despite our desire to share more information, we can't just yet, and we will be sharing new details as soon as we're able. I'm thrilled that we have made this progress and parents will now have the opportunity to do what is best for their children – whether that is hybrid in-person learning or full remote. We are confident that the safety measures we have in place will support as smooth a transition as possible but we also realize that change brings challenges and we will fine tune procedures as we move forward. This is why we are focused on a gradual return."

Over the summer of 2020, more than 120 community members came together to provide input for a reopening plan for Revere Public Schools, which has served as the foundation for the plan approved today while adapting to the latest guidance from public health officials and the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education.

Beginning on March 1, athletic programming will also resume and extracurricular activities will follow.

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