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SPS Surveying Families of 6-12 Students on Returning to School

Survey responses due Tuesday, April 6

SEATTLE – Seattle Public Schools sent an important survey last week to families with students in grades six through 12 in order to determine how many students from those groups will be returning to in-person learning in SPS schools next month.

Survey responses are due by 11:59 p.m. Tuesday, April 6.

The survey, which was sent to families on Friday, April 2, 2021, is the primary way for the district to ascertain the instructional model choice of families with students in 6-12 grades:

- A hybrid instructional model of in-person part-time and remote part-time --
* students have been offered two (2) half-days of in-person instruction either Monday/Tuesday or Thursday/Friday for the remainder of the year;
- A full remote instruction model.

Return Dates

- **March 29** - All preschool students and students enrolled in elementary special education intensive services pathways;
- **April 5** - All other kindergarten to 5th grade students;
- **April 5** - Students enrolled in middle and high school special education intensive pathways;
- **April 19** – All other students enrolled in middle and high school.

SPS – SEA Tentative Agreement

The new survey was necessary after SPS and the Seattle Education Association reached a tentative agreement on April 1, 2021 that supports a safe return to school buildings for 6th-12th grade on April 19. Families must select either a remote instructional model for the remainder of the year or an in-person instructional model for the remainder of the year.

Both the SEA membership and the SPS Board of Directors will vote on whether to approve the tentative agreement.

If families don't respond to the survey, they will be contacted directly by their child's school to make their selection.

For more information about the survey and the plan for in-person return, please see the [SPS website](#).

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