## Scottsdale Unified School District

2020-2021 Return to Learn Plan Governing Board Presentation – July 9, 2020

## **Priorities for Reopening**

- ✓ Ensure rigorous, relevant and responsive instruction throughout all learning models that is aligned with SUSD's Core Purpose and Values
- ✓ Prioritize the safety of all stakeholders
- ✓ Provide SUSD families with choices to best meet their needs
- √ Ensure fiscally responsible decision-making
- ✓ Provide social-emotional support for students and staff
- ✓ Provide ongoing, relevant professional development for teachers and staff on best teaching practices for all models

#### **Reopening Options Presented July 7th**

Full Return On-site (Pre-K-12)

> Hybrid (K-12)

> > Full Online (K-12)

#### **Community Feedback**

- ✓ Since Tuesday, we have received feedback from parents, students, teachers, staff, administrators, and community members through hundreds of:
  - Let's Talk comments and questions
  - Thought Exchange feedback
  - o Emails
  - o Phone calls
  - SUSD social media comments
- ✓ Additional staff communication:
  - Meetings with administrators
  - O Question-and-answer sessions with teachers, classified staff, and administrators
  - Follow-up meeting with Teaching and Learning Subcommittee

#### **Overall Trends Noted in Feedback**

- ✓ Equity concerns between in-person model and online model, including grading differences in models
- ✓ Equity concerns related to accessing models due to transportation challenges
- ✓ Overall concerns and questions with Hybrid model
- √ Strong opinions for both in-person return, as well as only doing so when it is safe to do so

## Feedback on Hybrid Model

- ✓ Many questions received specific to making the Hybrid work for each family
- $\checkmark$  Due to the complexity of the model, stakeholders expressed confusion and uncertainty
- ✓ Families expressed a need to customize the model, including:
  - Choosing days of attendance
  - Having students in multiple schools attending on different days/times
  - Choosing classes that would be online versus in-person
  - Choosing AM and PM
  - Ensuring specialized/signature programs continue
  - Expecting assurance of full, CDC safety recommendations in this model
- ✓ Principals/Counselors/Teachers expressed concerns about:
  - Re-creation of master schedules for all secondary students
  - Selection of AM/PM for each student
  - Specialty programming not being available in the online environment
  - Classes unique to some campuses not offered online

# Revised Recommendation for Reopening

- ✓ After processing the feedback, we are revising our recommendation to not include the Hybrid model in the "Return to Learn" plan.
- ✓ SUSD students "Return to Learn" on August 10, 2020, the scheduled first day of school.
- ✓ Virtual learning will occur through an Enhanced Distance Learning Model and Scottsdale Online.
- ✓ Plan for in-person return the day after Labor Day, provided schools are permitted to return at that time. <u>SUSD Enhanced Distance Learning will continue until we are able to implement the Full Return plan. Scottsdale Online students will continue their learning through Scottsdale Online.</u>

#### **Delayed Start Final Recommendation**

| Model  | Learning Plan                    |
|--|----------------------------------|
| Full Return On-site  • K-12  • Preschool and Pre-K | Full, Enhanced Distance Learning |
| Full Online  | Scottsdale Online                |

#### Making an Informed Decision

Parents will receive a commitment form early next week via email to select a learning model for each of their students.

- ✓ Specific model information will be provided with the commitment form and on our website so families can make informed decisions.
- ✓ Information will include:
  - Video of the Scottsdale Online experience for elementary and secondary students
  - Time commitment for online learning, by grade span, for students and expected level of parent support
  - FAQs for models, Special Education, English Language Learning, Gifted, and school specialty programs

#### **Discussion and Questions**