

SMYRNA SCHOOL DISTRICT

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> Mrs. Deborah Judy Assistant Superintendent

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RE: Virtual Option and Wraparound Service for 2022 SY

To the Smyrna School District Community:

I sincerely hope this letter finds you well. This time last year, we asked you to make a difficult to decision about the learning environment for your student(s) for the 2021-22 school year. We were happy to be able to offer a virtual option to those who felt another year at home would be better for the health and well-being of their family.

For many reasons, we will not be offering a virtual option for the 2022-23 school year. Our school district, county and state data reflect a pandemic being managed by layered mitigation strategies. We will welcome all of our students back to our school buildings with the option to mask, if chosen.

In addition, for the 2021-22 school year, we offered the wraparound service provided by the Boys and Girls Club to families K-6 at all elementary and intermediate sites free of charge. We wanted to pay back some of the daycare costs associated with hybrid learning. We hope this service was able to assist families and provide a financial break from the costs of childcare. Our curriculum team worked with the site managers to provide enrichment and learning loss activities. This partnership will continue as we move to a self-pay model outlined below. Sincere thanks to the Boys and Girls Club for being our partners in the endeavor. We were able to help many families already members of the Boys and Girls Club and welcome 200 additional families.

The Boys and Girls Club will continue to offer the wraparound service to families. Our before school care known as "Breakfast Club" will be replaced by the Boys and Girls Club services. You can reach Sharon Gump at <u>sgump@bgclubs.org</u> with any questions.

The sun is shining. Our smiles are bright. We are ready for spring. See you all soon and stay well.

Sincerely,

Deborah Judy

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