July 22, 2020

Dear parents and guardians,

At last night’s Board of Education meeting it was decided that the Bowling Green City Schools will begin the school year online. In addition, the Board also approved a delayed start to the school year, which means the first day of the school will be Tuesday, September 8, 2020. We will re-evaluate our situation on Friday, October 9, 2020. If conditions have improved we will return to face to face learning in our buildings implementing the A/B Hybrid format on Tuesday, October 27, 2020. However, we need your help in order to plan for when we return.

The district is asking families to indicate their choice for online learning. We are offering two options. Option one, **Click to Brick**, is for the families who choose to send their students to school when the hybrid model is available. The second option, **Bobcat Online Academy**, is for families that choose not to send students to school if the hybrid option is available.

**Option 1: Click to Brick** - This option will allow families to participate in the hybrid model once the district is able to move back into face to face learning. Bowling Green City School’s teachers will teach their classes in an online format. Teachers will have assigned and structured class times. The lessons will be teacher-created and delivered by your child’s classroom teacher. The teacher assigned online will be the same teacher your student transitions back with when returning to the classroom in the hybrid model. Our intent is that teachers and students will build their learning community online and eventually in the classroom. Students will be expected to be present for live class sessions. Classes will be recorded for rare times when students are unable to attend the live session. Students will be expected to be present, engaged and accountable for assignments and attendance. Selecting this option will allow students to interact with their teacher and classmates throughout the week.

**Option 2: Bobcat Online Academy (NOVA)** - Families that choose this option MUST commit for the entire first semester, through February 5, 2021. Students will use NOVA, [https://schoolsplp.com/](https://schoolsplp.com/) with support from a Bowling Green City Schools teacher. The courses will be assigned by BGCS teachers and align with the Ohio State Standards. This option is only for those families that have no intent of sending students back in a hybrid model during the first semester.

Please submit your choice for online learning- click [here](#). You must submit a response for each student in your family.

Bobcat Proud,

Superintendent Francis Scruci