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PLAINFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS TO REOPEN ON FULL TIME REMOTE LEARNING AT LEAST UNTIL NOVEMBER 1, 2020

Plainfield, NJ – August 12, 2020 – The Plainfield Public School District will likely open schools virtually for the first 45-days of the upcoming 2020-2021 School Year. At their meeting on Tuesday, the Plainfield Board of Education voted unanimously to empower the superintendent to submit an “All-virtual plan” for all students through November 1, 2020.

Dr. Diana Mitchell, Superintendent of Schools, said, “All hands are on deck to present the best plan possible for the virtual opening of schools. Our main goal is to keep our students, staff and our families safe. Having the ability to go virtual is something we are prepared to implement immediately.

“Additionally, our district has been a 1:1 District for over five years. Almost all our 8,200 students have devices and WiFi’s provided by the District for remote learning. We are confident the education of our students will continue and we want to assure parents the effective teaching and learning is our priority.”

The plan, expected to be unveiled at the upcoming Board of Education meeting will include best practices based on guidelines from the New Jersey Department of Education for fulltime remote learning. The plan includes scope and expectations for online instruction for the elementary and secondary levels, including:

- Accountability and Reporting for Full Time Remote Learning
- Procedures to Transition from Full Time Remote Learning to In-Person Services
- Reporting
- Procedures for Communicating District Policy with Families

Dr. Mitchell added, “There is no perfect plan for virtual instruction. Our plan is tailored to fit the needs of our students and teachers.”

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