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Dear Bayless School District Families/Guardians,

This week Bayless Elementary and Bayless Junior High School welcomed Third thru Sixth Grade students back to campus. On Tuesday, Seventh and Eighth Grade students will return as well. While it is still early, the response from students, parents and faculty has been very positive.

I strongly believe there is no adequate substitute for in-person education of a child. However, I recognize we must carefully consider guidance provided to us by our local health officials and the County Executive.

Earlier this week, St. Louis County Executive Sam Page announced during a press conference that he is now encouraging high schools to explore a return to in-person learning, along with elementary and middle schools.

As the COVID-19 virus rates in St. Louis County continue to show signs of improvement, local officials are now prepared to allow high school students to return to campus.

Beginning on the following dates, Bayless High School will provide "blended" instruction for the following grades:

The "blended approach" of instruction incorporates two days of in-person instruction and three days of virtual instruction for students weekly (see graphic below).

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
In-Person Green Days		BAYLESS		BAYLESS	
In-Person Gold Days			BAYLESS		BAYLESS
Virtual Academy					

Bayless High School:					
Date:	Grade:				
Thursday, October 22	Freshman				
Date:	Grades:				
Tuesday, October 27	Sophomores, Juniors and Seniors				

Next week, Bayless High School Principal Pat McEvoy will send a detailed communication to high school parents, explaining which students will attend, when, daily health screening information, and other procedures that will be implemented.

As we bring students back to campus, it is imperative that parents notify school principals if their child may need to be quarantined or the child tests positive. Serving as "good

partners" is the best way for parents and school personnel to ensure our students remain safe and healthy.

We look forward to all Bayless students eventually returning to campus. BSD will take every precaution to keep your children and our faculty/staff safe as we resume in-person learning.

Sincerely,

Ronald Tucker, Ed.S. Superintendent of Schools

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