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North Syracuse Central School District Families,

Yesterday we learned that the Onondaga County Commissioner of Health has deemed it safe to reduce social distancing guidelines within our schools. We have been anticipating such news and last week, we sent a survey to our families to determine their level of comfort sending students to school if social distancing guidelines were ultimately reduced.

With the great majority of our families (over 90% of current Hybrid students' families and 71% of all families overall) indicating they would feel comfortable sending students for additional in-person learning, we are now in the process of surveying our staff regarding their needs.

The plan for our District is to bring students back for more days of in-person learning. Because some families and staff still feel unsafe, we will continue to offer remote instruction. We know that things are changing quickly and that the uncertainty of what will happen causes stress and fear. Whatever we do, it will take time and collaboration to address all of the concerns.

Once we have a tentative timeline we will communicate it with our families, teachers and faculty so that people can plan accordingly. We know this is a heavy lift but our goal remains the same – to provide the best educational experience for all students.

Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,

Daniel D. Bowles  
Superintendent of Schools