LaPorte Community School Corp. Parent Survey July 2020

Parents are asked in the following survey to provide input regarding the LPCSC plan to transition back to school. Survey feedback will guide final decisions regarding safety measures and programming. Parent participation in the survey is both valued and appreciated.

Parents are encouraged to complete a survey for each child in the corporation. We thank you for your partnership as we work together to provide our students a quality education.

* Required

1. Parent/Guardian Name: *

2. Please provide your student’s name. We are asking that parents complete a survey for each child in their family. *

   Thank you for providing your student’s name. Information from this survey will be used to provide programming options to meet student needs.
3. Please indicate the grade level your child will be entering for the 2020-2021 school year.*

*Mark only one oval.*

- [ ] Pre-K
- [ ] Kindergarten
- [ ] Grade 1
- [ ] Grade 2
- [ ] Grade 3
- [ ] Grade 4
- [ ] Grade 5
- [ ] Grade 6
- [ ] Grade 7
- [ ] Grade 8
- [ ] Grade 9
- [ ] Grade 10
- [ ] Grade 11
- [ ] Grade 12
- [ ] Grade 13+ (5th Year High School)

4. What support services do you plan to utilize during the 2020-2021 school year? Select all that apply.*

*Check all that apply.*

- [ ] Counselor
- [ ] Family Resource Services
- [ ] Special Education Services Support
- [ ] Food Services
- [ ] Public Library Resources
- [ ] None of the Above
5. Do you intend to have your child return to LPCSC schools? *

Mark only one oval.

☐ Yes
☐ No

6. If you plan to return to LPCSC, please indicate which instructional delivery option you prefer to begin the 2020-2021 school year, if available. *

Mark only one oval.

☐ I prefer my child to return to school in-person.
☐ I prefer my child to return to school remotely/virtually.
☐ I prefer my child to return to school in a combination of in-person and remote/virtual.
☐ Not Applicable

7. Online instruction will play a large role in the district’s instructional delivery plan for the upcoming school year. Please indicate which of the following scenarios will apply to you. *

Check all that apply.

☐ My internet connection is not strong at home.
☐ I do not have adequate child care/supervision during the day.
☐ I am unable to communicate effectively with the classroom teacher or school.
☐ I am unable to provide knowledgeable support for my child's online learning experience.
☐ I find the technology resources and programs difficult to use.
☐ I have concerns about the academic progress of my child.
☐ I have concerns about the emotional needs of my child.
☐ Other
8. How concerned are you about your child’s social and emotional well-being upon returning to school in person (Green Phase)? *

According to CASEL, “Social and Emotional Learning is the process through which children and adults acquire and effectively apply the knowledge, attitudes, and skills necessary to understand and manage emotions, set and achieve positive goals, feel and show empathy for others, establish and maintain positive relationships, and make responsible decisions.”

Mark only one oval.

☐ Not at all concerned.
☐ Somewhat concerned.
☐ Very concerned.

9. How concerned are you about your child’s social and emotional well-being if students do NOT return physically to school (Yellow or Red Phase)? *

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Mark only one oval.

☐ Not at all concerned.
☐ Somewhat concerned.
☐ Very concerned.

10. In regards to participation in extracurricular activities and athletics in the upcoming school year, please indicate your intentions: *

Mark only one oval.

☐ I will allow my children to participate.
☐ My child will not participate.
☐ I am undecided; it will depend on the activity or event.
11. Due to the need to implement social distancing guidelines, seating on buses may be impacted and/or limited. Do you have the ability to provide transportation to reduce ridership, if necessary, for your child? *

Mark only one oval.

☐ Yes
☐ No
☐ Maybe
12. To what extent are the following precautions important to you as your student returns to school? *

*Check all that apply.*

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July 2020

Summary
Survey results were available for approximately 56% of LPCSC students. Of the 56% of respondents, approximately 43% were PreK-4, 31% were grades 5-8, and 26% were grades 9-12.

Please indicate the grade level your child will be entering for the 2020-2021 school year.
3,384 responses

- Pre-K 7%
- Kindergarten 9.3%
- Grade 1 7.7%
- Grade 2 8.9%
- Grade 3 11%
- Grade 4 11.3%
- Grade 5 11.7%
- Grade 6 11.3%
Survey results indicated that Food Services will be the most utilized support service followed by resources from the public library in the upcoming school year. 30% of survey respondents indicated plans to utilize Counseling Services. Approximately 14% indicated the use of Special Education services.

What support services do you plan to utilize during the 2020-2021 school year? Select all that apply.

3,364 responses

- Counselor: 1,019 (30.1%)
- Family Resource Services: 399 (11.8%)
- Special Education Services Support: 480 (14.2%)
- Food Services: 1,789 (52.9%)
- Public Library Resources: 1,258 (37.2%)
- None of the Above: 998 (29.5%)
95% of survey respondents indicated their child would return to LPCSC.

**Do you intend to have your child return to LPCSC schools?**

*3,384 responses*

![Pie chart showing 95.1% Yes and 4.9% No]*

Over 67% of respondents indicated a preference to return to school in-person or a combination of in-person and remote learning. Approximately 30% would prefer to return remotely.

**If you plan to return to LPCSC, please indicate which instructional delivery option you prefer to begin the 2020-2021 school year, if available.**

*3,384 responses*

![Pie chart showing 35.2% Yes, 32.1% Yes, 30.8% Yes, and 2% Not Applicable]*
Over 50% of parents indicated being concerned about their child’s academic progress utilizing online instruction with 15% indicating their inability to provide knowledgeable support. About 31% have concerns about their child’s emotional needs being met utilizing online instruction. Approximately 10% do not have strong internet connectivity and almost 13% do not have adequate child care.

Online instruction will play a large role in the district’s instructional delivery plan for the upcoming school year. Please indicate which of the following scenarios will apply to you.

3,384 responses

- My internet connection is not strong at... 349 (10.3%)
- I am unable to communicate effectively... 436 (12.9%)
- I find the technology resources and pro... 214 (6.3%)
- I have concerns about the emotional nee... 518 (15.3%)
- Other 358 (10.6%)
- 1,060 (31.3%)
- 1,148 (33.9%)
Approximately 83% of respondents are not concerned or only somewhat concerned with their child's social emotional well-being, if students return to school in-person. Approximately 17% are very concerned about their child's social and emotional well-being when returning in-person. If students do not return in person, approximately 72% have concerns about their child's social and emotional well-being. Approximately 29% are not concerned about their child's social and emotional well-being, if students do not return to school in-person.

How concerned are you about your child's social and emotional well-being upon returning to school in person (Green Phase)?
3,384 responses

- Not at all concerned: 40.1%
- Somewhat concerned: 17.4%
- Very concerned: 42.5%
How concerned are you about your child's social and emotional well-being if students do NOT return physically to school (Yellow or Red Phase)?

3,384 responses

- 43.6% Not at all concerned.
- 28.4% Somewhat concerned.
- 28% Very concerned.

Less than 20% of respondents indicated their child would not participate in extracurricular activities. Over 43% are undecided.
In regards to participation in extracurricular activities and athletics in the upcoming school year, please indicate your intentions:

3,384 responses

- 43.6% I will allow my children to participate.
- 19.4% My child will not participate.
- 36.9% I am undecided: it will depend on the activity or event.

Over half of the survey respondents indicated the ability to provide their own transportation to reduce bus ridership.

Due to the need to implement social distancing guidelines, seating on buses may be impacted and/or limited. Do you have the ability to provide transportation to reduce ridership, if necessary, for your child?

3,384 responses

- 52.7% Yes
- 22.9% No
- 24.4% Maybe
Over 3000 respondents indicated that hygiene habits and increased hand-washing were very important precautions. In the Somewhat Important category, the highest response was protective face coverings (900). Conversely, almost 575 survey respondents indicated protective face coverings as Not Important.

To what extent are the following precautions important to you as your student returns to school?

![Bar chart showing importance levels]

**Takeaways**

1. Since 30% of respondents prefer their child to return to school remotely, LPCSS will attempt to make a viable distance learning option available to parents/students.
2. A significant percentage of families prefer to return to school in-person in some format to adequately address student academic progress.
3. Food Services and emotional support are much needed resources as students start a new school year.
4. Parents and students will need more academic support for online instruction.