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**SCHOOL DISTRICT OF SOLON SPRINGS**

8993 E Baldwin Avenue - Solon Springs, WI 54873

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Dear Parents and Families,

We are very excited as we prepare for the return to school for students. We have missed them and can hardly wait! Great things are happening at Solon Springs Schools and we would like to share them with you:

- **The school day start time has been moved to 8:15 AM** (previously, it was 8:21 AM). This change allows for approximately 17.5 more hours of instruction and allows an extra cushion for those snowy winters! It will not affect bus routes or times and students will still have the opportunity to eat breakfast at school. This change mostly affects students that drive to school or that are dropped off.
- Our 4K students in both our Legacy and Montessori Schools will be attending **5 days** a week (previously, it was only 4 days a week).
- The parent drop-off in the mornings will be located in front of the bus garage by the playground, similar to last year. There is a sandwich board with a sign. **PLEASE avoid driving in the bus lane by the main entrances in the morning.** We need to keep it open for school busses and foot traffic. This helps to keep everyone safe!
- Solon Springs Schools will have a vendor on site Monday - Friday, 8 am-4 pm for any **staff, student or family of a student** that would like to have a COVID test administered due to being symptomatic, close contact, or if any family feels they would like their student tested on a weekly basis. See attached sheet for information.
- We appreciate all of the feedback regarding our COVID Opening of School Plan! Attached in this letter, you will find the 13-point COVID Opening of School Plan that was approved by the School Board on August 16th. The COVID situation may be very fluid, which may necessitate changes in the future. We have ongoing communication with Douglas County on the enclosed quarantine details.
- If you have any questions, please feel free to contact either of us. We hope you had a great summer and are excited to get back into the school schedule! See you soon!

With our best,

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