

CINCINNATI PUBLIC SCHOOLS

**A RESOLUTION COMMITTING TO OFFERING
FIVE-DAY, IN-PERSON INSTRUCTION FOR THE 2021-22 SCHOOL YEAR**

WHEREAS, the Board of Education commits to offering in-person instruction to students five days per week during the 2021-22 school year; and

WHEREAS, next school year (2021-22) will be the third and final year of the District’s three-year, “Community Designed Strategic Plan – A Roadmap to Destination Cincinnati Public Schools;” and

WHEREAS, the development of the Strategic Plan began during the 2017-18 school year, and was the product of two years of board envisioning, community engagement and administrative expertise; and

WHEREAS, the Strategic Plan was successfully implemented by the Administration during the 2019-20 school year, but was interrupted in March 2020 by the emergencies and challenges presented by the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the Strategic Plan was pursued during the second year (2020-21), but under the conditions and mandates required by COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the third and final year of the Strategic Plan (2021-22) will be informed by lessons learned from the COVID-19 crisis, the new instructional opportunities developed, and the District’s recommitment to equity in Board Policy 2255, Excellence and Equity In Education, and opposing racism in Board Policy 2256 Anti-Racism; and

WHEREAS, the 2021-22 school year will encompass the vision of the Community Designed Strategic Plan, a better understanding of the acute need for the equitable distribution of resources, and our communities’ demands for robust and authentic choices among five-day, in-person instruction, remote instruction, and blended learning opportunities;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that this Board commits to offering to our students and families the choices of five-day, in-person instruction, remote instruction, and the possibility of blended learning as choices to be made by our students and families; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in order to accomplish this historic effort to provide such choices, we will endeavor to achieve the completion and possible extension of our Community Designed Strategic Plan to fulfill the plan to make CPS a Destination District; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that achieving that Destination District, using the Board's current Vision and Mission and benefitting from the Superintendent's and Treasurer’s leadership, a “NEW CPS” is emerging and will be implemented beginning in the next three school years, 2021-22, 2022-23, and 2023-24; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this Board commits to advancing the needed District reorganization, securing the required resources, and establishing the visionary policies in order to reach and achieve a NEW CPS as we move toward Cincinnati Public Schools' bicentennial year.

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