



# Flowing Wells Unified School District

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## **SURVEY QUESTIONS COMING THURSDAY, SEPT. 3**

Dear Flowing Wells Families,

Thank you for your continued patience and support during this unprecedented pandemic. Our staff has been working diligently to provide a robust remote learning environment. As the health metrics for controlling community spread of COVID-19 continue to improve, we are actively planning for a "hybrid" model of in-person schooling. A hybrid model will maximize social distancing by limiting the number of students physically at school at the same time (examples in fifth bullet below). And, once students are at school, the hybrid model will minimize student interactions with other students. Pima County Health, Arizona Department of Health and Arizona Department of Education recommend a hybrid model for schools to utilize as an intermittent step before opening schools in a more traditional setting with all students attending all day, every day.

We now are requesting your help in the planning process. Please complete tomorrow's survey to help us understand how many families would like to send their child to school in the hybrid model. Families that have already chosen the Flowing Wells Digital Campus (online learning for the entire year) do not need to participate in this survey because we have committed to this option for the entire year. To help you in considering a hybrid model, please consider the following:

### Background Information

- **Layered Mitigation:** No single method of protecting the virus spread is perfect, so Flowing Wells will reduce risk by implementing a number of mitigation strategies, including physically distancing seating in classrooms, limiting the number of students on campus, limiting student movement on campus, requiring face masks for students and staff, providing increased handwashing/sanitizing, classroom disinfecting, providing daily student temperature and wellness checks, and limiting access to the campus by parents and volunteers.
- **Isolation Rooms:** Each site will create an isolation room where any student demonstrating COVID-19 symptoms will go to isolate before being sent home.
- **Contact Tracing:** After any confirmed case of COVID-19, the school and Pima County Health will determine who was in close contact with the sick individual and require quarantining at home, as appropriate. Families will be notified if their child may have been exposed to a confirmed COVID-19 case.
- **COVID-19 Waiver:** All families will be required to complete a COVID-19 waiver. Families will also be required to complete a daily wellness check before sending a child to school.
- **Hybrid Model:** Models may include attending a half day of school each day, attending one day each week, or attending two or three days each week. Hybrid models will not have a five-day, all-day direct instructional model like a traditional school day.

We know there are many variables to consider, yet this survey is critical to help us plan. Once hybrid models have been finalized, you will be asked to make a final decision about participation. You can also contact your school principal or my office at 696-8801 or [david.baker@fwusd.org](mailto:david.baker@fwusd.org) to answer any questions.

Sincerely,

David Baker, Ed.D.  
Superintendent