



# Sugar Valley Rural Charter School

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Dear Parent:

Sugar Valley Rural Charter School is planning to re-open schools for face-to-face instruction in August. If there is a resurgence in the COVID-19 virus that requires a closure of schools, SVRCS is prepared to provide all students with online distance learning. Although we are returning to school this fall, the state is allowing us to offer an online learning opportunity for students whose parents are not comfortable with a return to school at this time.

For the coming year, parents and caregivers have two learning options for their students:

- In-person instruction with social distancing in our school buildings
- Full-time online instruction

We encourage families to choose their option based on health and safety concerns. The SVRCS Health and Safety Plan for return to school is available on our web site and should be consulted by parents as you consider your options for the fall.

The online option will be presented as an extension of our in person instruction. Online students will have access to the same live/recorded instruction and complete the same lessons/assignments as the students in our in-person instruction. Teachers will provide parents and students with dates/times for live sessions. These live sessions will be recorded/shared in case a student is unable to view them live and needs to complete their lesson activities later in the day. A few of our high school courses may not be available to our online students because of the need for specialized equipment and facilities.

To help our staff plan, parents and caregivers need to commit to one of the above options for the 2020-2021 school year for each child. Please fill out the return to school choice form no later than August 4, 2020. This form is available at <https://tinyurl.com/SVRCSFallReturn20> and on the school website. If you wish a paper copy of the form, you may obtain one by calling the school office.

If health conditions improve that would allow SVRCS to resume in-person instruction for all students, we will reassess the situation and work with families to transition our online school students back to in-person attendance.

As always, please contact us at the school if you have questions about either of the options.

Sincerely,

Tracie Kennedy, CEO