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A transcript of this call will be placed on the Beauregard Parish School Board's web site due to the fact this call is lengthy.

Beauregard Parish Parents and Students,

As we look forward to the 2020-2021 school year we do so with the same excitement as in previous years. New challenges exist as our world faces a pandemic that has affected our entire way of life.

The Beauregard Parish School Board has worked hard since the necessary dismissal of school in late March to be ready to educate our students when they are able to return for the 20-21 school year. As Mr. Cooley stated in his letter to the public we must prepare to educate your children in a non-traditional manner. Our digital team has put in many hours of hard work combined with creativity and innovation. We are prepared to meet these new challenges. In recent years we have placed physical barriers to help protect our students in response to several national tragedies involving school safety. In much the same way we will continue to work to ensure the safety of our students while providing the same quality education you as parents and students have come to expect. Under the leadership of our instructional computer specialist we have partnered with Google Classroom to train our teachers in instruction of our students, no matter if that must be done traditionally (face to face), virtually, or in some combination. Our technology team has also developed a plan to increase internet availability to our students when they are not physically at school. We appreciate our district fire protection venues for their assistance with this plan. The details of these plans will be presented to our board, local civic organizations, and school leaders will hold parent meetings as we move closer to the beginning of the school year.

We continue to receive directives from the Louisiana Department of Education and state health officials. We will comply with all mandates that are in place when school begins in the fall and feel confident that no matter the rules regarding facial coverings, social distancing, or required sanitation measures, we will progress forward educating the children of Beauregard Parish. Please continue to visit your school website as we will communicate any policy or procedure that assists in opening school smoothly.

The Beauregard Parish school system will be ready to provide our students with a quality education safely in the fall.