



November 5, 2020

Hello Families of Schoolagers,

As you know, we have been actively investigating all options for the School Day Support Program as the School District of Philadelphia plans to move to a hybrid model on November 30. As of this writing, it is not yet clear that this will happen, but we know that we need to pursue our own planning.

I am writing to let you know that PIC will only offer school-day support for full-time online learners.

We are unable to modify programming to support the hybrid model. We have worked hard for the last several months to protect the health and safety of our children to the very best of our ability. Specific policies and protocols are in place to do just that.

Right now we are supporting 46 children from 6 different schools who are enrolled in 19 different classrooms. We simply cannot assure that the same measures are taking place in all the different environments, and thus it is in the best interest of our staff, children, families and community to keep the virtual model as it is. The hybrid model also adds logistical and staffing complications that seem unwise to take on at this time.

This means that families yet again need to make a decision. We need to hear from you if you plan to keep your child at PIC for the virtual-only option, or if you will leave our program to go to the hybrid model with the School District.

One additional consideration is that we will move the closure of the School Day Support Program to 5:30 pm as of December 1 and will continue with the 5:30 closing throughout the winter months. This closure time allows us to reduce the time children will need to be inside after it gets dark outside. It also aligns with the COVID closure time in the Early Learning Program.

Families who choose to stay with the PIC School Day Support Program will need to notify their school that their child will not be attending the hybrid model.

Please complete the questions at the link below to inform us of your plans by Wednesday, November 11.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SQ9WR8V>

Again, your patience through this process is greatly appreciated. Please reach out with any questions.

Thank you for believing in PIC.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Deb Green". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Deb" being more prominent than the last name "Green".

Deb Green
Executive Director