

## News Release

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## Board Work Session Decision:

The Talawanda Board of Education met via a ZOOM meeting (the meeting was also made available to the public on the district youtube channel) on September 29, 2020 to further discuss educational options for students in Talawanda School District. The board has voted in support of a plan that will bring Talawanda students back to school with a face-to-face option 5 days per week, while also offering parents the option to continue online if they so wish. October 14, 15, 16 students will work independently, so that TSD staff may prepare for students to return on October 20, 2020.

The Talawanda administration and school leadership group will meet tomorrow to discuss how they will implement plans to support all students under the new board decision. The Board of Education will conduct a survey to parents and a separate survey for teachers and staff members. Parents MUST choose to either have their student return face-to-face or choose to remain with remote learning. Completing this information is critical in order to determine the exact number of student participants in each school educational program, so that we can appropriately assign staff. The surveys will request information regarding participation, special services, grade levels/school information, transportation, and staff health information. Please look for the survey in the next few days, and please complete it as soon as possible.

The Talawanda Board of Education will share more information as it becomes available, and parents and students can expect more information from their student's school principal.