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Pittsburgh Public Schools
Board of Directors
July 22, 2020

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC EDUCATION OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PITTSBURGH DIRECTING THE POSTPONING OF IN-CLASS INSTRUCTION FOR THE FIRST NINE-WEEK QUARTER OF THE 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR AND DIRECTING THAT ALL STUDENTS BEGIN THE SCHOOL YEAR ENROLLED IN REMOTE LEARNING.

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of Pittsburgh Public Schools recognizes and understands the very real and serious threat COVID-19 poses to the public health of our communities; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors and Superintendent of the Pittsburgh Public Schools have the ultimate authority and responsibility for ensuring the health and safety of all staff, students, and partners operating in our facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Pittsburgh Public Schools acknowledges that while in-school instruction is a much more effective option than remote-learning for some of our students, we cannot in good faith open schools until our State and Federal Government get the virus under control; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors instructs the Superintendent of Pittsburgh Public Schools to do the following:

1. Modify current District plans for blended and in-class instruction and transition all students into remote learning for the first nine-week reporting quarter;
2. Prepare plans for all students to begin the school year remote-learning and equipped to succeed with the new technology chosen;
3. Provide a contingency plan for Special Education students to get access to the necessary support services and resources to be successful;
4. Ensure that every student has 1:1 access to technological devices at the start of the school year to properly implement remote-learning instruction;
5. Develop a contingency plan for parents of students who are essential workers and those not able to support their child’s remote learning journey.

RESOLVED this _____ day of ________________, 2020.

ATTEST:

BOARD OF PUBLIC EDUCATION OF THE
SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PITTSBURGH

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SECRETARY PRESIDENT