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## **Richmond County School System Updates Reopening Schools Plan**

(AUGUSTA, GEORGIA) Dr. Kenneth Bradshaw, Superintendent of Schools, presented updates to the Richmond County School System Safely Reopening Schools Plan to members of the Richmond County Board of Education during a meeting this evening. Board members voted to approve reopening schools on Tuesday, September 8, 2020. Updated recommendations include (Full presentation attached):

- **Two options for families starting September 8, 2020:**
  - Traditional/Face-to-Face/Monday - Friday ~ PK-12
  - Virtual Learning/K-12 Online Academy
- Online Academy (Registration Extended to July 27)

“Based on the increase of coronavirus cases in Richmond County, we recommend starting after Labor Day with hopes that this surge in our community will decline,” said Dr. Bradshaw. “Both virtual and face to face instruction will begin September 8, 2020. If there continues to be a surge in coronavirus, all students will begin virtual instruction on September 8,” Bradshaw added.

Families indicated that Friday virtual learning days for the traditional face-to-face option were burdensome. The updated plan for face-to-face instruction replaces the virtual instruction Fridays with classroom instruction. Families can access the information from today’s presentation about reopening plans and learning options for Richmond County Schools at [www.rcboe.org/backtoschool](http://www.rcboe.org/backtoschool).

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