

December 10, 2020

Board Members and District Officials,

The intention of this letter is to convey the concerns and requests of the high school, junior high and elementary school faculty and staff that support the Chandler Unified School District.

When we returned to in-person learning, teachers and parents did so with the understanding that if any ONE metric went into the red, we would return to virtual learning. We were also assured that we would not be expected to teach virtually and in-person at the same time. Both of those promises have now been broken.

We are asking that as of January we return to school virtually and only return to in-person learning when the original metrics show that it is safe to return.

We are also asking that multiple site representatives, teachers and classroom staff, from each school be involved in the decision making process regarding reopening and in-person/virtual instruction.

The current plan, considering current COVID illness and hospitalization rates, is unsustainable. The following is a [quote](#) from www.msn.com dated 12/10/2020.

"Arizona now has the highest transmission rate of COVID-19 in the country, with the average infected person now passing along the disease to 1.22 people."

We respectfully implore you to return to virtual instruction. We appreciate a response by December 18, 2020.

Sincerely,
Chandler Unified Staff