

Our team has been working through the list of COVID-19 considerations below, and I wanted to provide an update on these items. I plan on making recommendations on most of these items at the May 14 meeting for your approval

1. **Make Up Days/Hours:** I will be recommending the Distance Learning resolution from Bricker (that I sent you last week) for your approval at the May 14 meeting. You will need to approve this resolution in order for our remote learning to count as attendance hours.
2. **Remote Learning Grading:** We are amending our grading system for this year. While our actual policy on grading is pretty open, because you approve the student handbooks that include our current grading policy, we will need to have you approve an addendum for this year's handbook. I will be recommending an amendment for your approval on May 14.
3. **Teacher and Administrator Evaluations:** The teacher evaluation committee (team consists of teachers and admin) met on April 16. We plan to complete evaluations on a case-by-case basis, mainly depending on if all observations were already completed or not for individual teachers. In our district, 62% of required OTES observations were already completed prior to the closures. We are currently discussing changes to student growth measures (typically completed at the end of the year) to fulfill this particular requirement of the process. These changes may include using student assessments at a specific point in the year prior to the closures. The committee will meet again on April 27 to finalize a recommendation for an MOU. We would then present the MOU to you for approval on May 14.
4. **Administrator and Teacher Nonrenewal:** Fortunately, we do not have any potential nonrenewals; this is not always the case, so we are fortunate this worked out this year. If we did have any of these, it would impact how we handle completing evaluations.
5. **OTES 2.0:** We can delay implementation of the new Ohio Teacher Evaluation System (OTES 2.0) until the 2021-22 school year. Our local BW Evaluation Committee unanimously supports delaying OTES 2.0 implementation until 2021-2022 due to the State Board of Education not officially adopting the final rubric for OTES 2.0 yet.
6. **Graduation:** As always, we will have a list of all potential graduates for you to approve at the May 14 meeting. Mr. Jados is working with his staff to finalize actual graduates. House Bill 197 allows us to determine at a local level if a student was on the trajectory to graduate and award a diploma accordingly this year.
7. **Third Grade Reading Guarantee:** Like graduation, we are able to determine locally if a student was on-track to meet the TGRG requirements. Our elementary principals are meeting with Mrs. Young on April 17 to ensure alignment on this process. At Big Walnut, whenever possible, we allow the student to move on to 4th grade, but provide language arts instruction at the 3rd grade level until the student is able to master those standards and move on to grade-level standards. Again, House Bill 197 allows

the teacher and principal to decide if the student was on track. You will not need to take any action on this item.