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PLANO ISD TO START SCHOOL YEAR WITH ALL STUDENTS LEARNING REMOTELY

PLANO, TEXAS, JULY 17, 2020 — All students in the Plano Independent School District will start the school year August 12 in a fully remote learning environment—at least for the first four weeks of school. District administration cited this decision as the best course of action to protect the health and safety of students and staff at a time of recent surges in positive COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations across the region.

“While we want nothing more than to welcome students back into our buildings and once again see smiling faces in our classrooms, the health and safety of both students and staff will always be at the heart of our decision-making,” stated Plano ISD Superintendent Sara Bonser. “Although remote learning will never be a substitute for face-to-face instruction, I have full confidence that our amazing teachers and administrators will continue to provide students the quality education they deserve and that our community expects despite these unique circumstances.”

At this time, remote learning will be in effect through Labor Day. Teachers will have a work day Sept. 8 and barring no additional health and safety concerns, families who did not select remote learning will then transition to the face-to-face learning environments at their assigned campus Sept. 9. Instruction will continue online for those students who have selected PISD School@Home.

To learn more about Plano ISD’s 2020-2021 Return to School Plan, visit www.pisd.edu/2021planning.

About Plano Independent School District

The Plano Independent School District (Plano ISD) (www.pisd.edu) endeavors to foster the highest level of student learning. Plano ISD is located 20 miles north of Dallas, Texas and serves the residents of approximately 100 square miles in southwest Collin County, including 66 square miles in the city of Plano, northern portions of the cities of Dallas and Richardson and parts of the cities of Allen, Parker and Murphy. Plano ISD employs more than 6,900 staff members who serve more than 53,000 students in 72 schools and 11 service facilities. Mission: Our Plano ISD learning community will educate, inspire and empower every student to activate their unique potential in a dynamic world.

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