

To: Pelham School Board  
From: Chip McGee, Superintendent  
Re: Reopening Plans  
Date: September 2, 2020

We are in the midst of a very complex and exhilarating reopening process here in Pelham. This memo shares some key details about changes in processes to keep the Board up to date.

#### Key Details

- High School Study Hall - In order to fill some schedules for ninth graders at the high school, we have had to include study hall as an option. This will be for 2020-21 only.
- Middle School Study Hall - Due to complex staffing for Unified Arts and an unfilled position, Middle School students may have a study hall to begin the year and Remote students will begin the year with one UA instead of two.
- COVID Classroom Capacity - We are posting a COVID capacity for classrooms, break rooms and meeting rooms throughout the district. Teachers have been working on room layouts and have had unnecessary furniture removed. Administrators are reviewing the layout and determining room capacity based on physical distancing guidelines and instructional needs. At Pelham Elementary School, some classrooms can accommodate up to 24 students.
- CTE Access - Our CTE programs at Pinkerton and Alvirne High School are planning to be operational. Both schools have offered increased flexibility on parking and student transportation. We are striving to coordinate ways for all students to provide their own ride or to carpool. Both require parental permission.