

Implementation of a hybrid schedule of part-time in-person instruction and part-time distance learning has enabled the district to maintain distancing requirements with smaller classes while maintaining regular contact between students and teachers. Anyone 10 years and older will be required to wear a mask.

Disadvantages of the new system are a perceived increase in homework, a feeling of social isolation, the necessity of staff juggling the needs of in-person and distance students, and the erosion of cohorts with participation in such extracurricular activities as sports.

The district continues to consider such questions as when it is safe enough to return full time and how to involve the community in the decision. In the next few weeks, a survey of students, staff, and parents will

seek input on how the present system is working.

Monument Academy Annual Report

Chief Operating Officer Christianna Herrera moderated a presentation on the status of Monument Academy in keeping with a contractual requirement that the school report to its chartering body in such areas as academics, finance, operations, and governance.

The new east campus of the school at Highways 105 and 83 has been completed and may require some expenditure of reserves to complete such purchases as furniture. No capital projects are required at the original campus at this time.

Assessments are underway at the elementary level to fulfill the requirement of monitoring the academic progress of the students. School started on Aug. 31.

Grades 6 to 9 are at the new campus, but there

was insufficient enrollment for a 10th-grade class.

Students attend class four days a week in person and one day a week online. Ten percent of students are online all of the time.

Board Vice President Theresa Phillips asked whether Monument Academy is continuing to devel-

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