



**TO:** Monongalia County Students and Staff  
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**re:** Let the 2020-2021 Academic Year Begin

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Welcome back!

This summer, while we were planning for nearly every back-to-school scenario imaginable, Deputy Superintendent Donna Talerico introduced us all to a word and concept you don't hear too much off the playing field.

Pivot.

And we're proving that the ability to pivot goes *way* beyond flexibility, adaptability and resiliency.

That ability is allowing us to make the moves required to get us from Point A – where we are right now – to Point B – our objective.

And our objective is – and always has been – teaching our students in the safest, healthiest educational environment we can possibly provide.

As you know, our state and local health experts have told us that *that* environment here at Point A during our first week of instruction is by 100-percent remote instruction to our students in their homes.

So, that's where, and how, we're beginning this academic year.

And, when our health experts give us the go-ahead to change that environment, we'll be prepared to pivot and do so.

Your child's principal will contact you with getting-started information specific to your child's school before we get rolling on Tuesday morning, so please be on the look-out for that message.

On behalf of the Mon County Board of Education and the entire administrative team, welcome back – and thanks for listening.