1. An EdReports study said that Edgenuity doesn’t meet Common Core standards. Why was that platform chosen?
   
   RESPONSE: Edgenuity was chosen because it offered the best comprehensive virtual package.

2. Will my child be able to do the virtual program in the evening when a parent is available to be the learning coach?
   
   RESPONSE: There will be time for the students to work on their own time and at their own pace.

3. My son will be going to 9th grade at SASA. I have the following questions:
   How the grades will be compared between virtual and hybrid students?
   How the labs will be conducted in virtual format?
   How will it be administered if a student wants to test out any course to take the next level course in virtual format?
   How can we make sure that the virtual courses taken by the students are equivalent to SASA program. This is quite important as there is a chance that the virtual students may fall back to hybrid model next semester.
   
   RESPONSE: The grades between virtual and hybrid students will not be compared. Currently, there is not a test-out component on Edgenuity.

4. Will the virtual option keep my Handley student on track as if she was attending in person? If the time comes that everyone returns to in person school, will those on the virtual option be in the same place as those attending the hybrid option.
   
   RESPONSE: The virtual option does have an accelerated component to it, however, SPSD does not control that curriculum and will try to align it as best as we can to the Handley curriculum.

5. 1. If the district moves to a virtual only format before the start of the school year would parents potentially be able to change their choice (virtual academy vs. in person learning)? I would really like my kids to have direct instruction over Zoom/Google Meet, but due to their health issues the in person option is risky for them. Some parents may want a different option than the one chosen if the district moves to virtual only before the start of the school year.
   
   RESPONSE: If the district moves to an online format only, all students will follow the same format. Edgenuity will no longer be an option. All students will receive instruction from their normal teachers via zoom and assignments via google classroom.

   2. If a lot of students in one grade at SASA/Handley want virtual learning could a semester long option with direct instruction over Zoom/Google Meet with assignments based on information taught be considered? I would assume that this could potentially save the district money if you are paying for subscriptions to Edgenuity.
   
   RESPONSE: No this would not be logistically possible in the hybrid format due to staffing and planning limitations.

6. I appreciate all of your hard work and dedication in the reopening plan!
   
   RESPONSE: Thank you.

7. Will middle schoolers change classes or will the teachers to to them and they stay in the same room all day?
   
   RESPONSE: Teachers will do the majority of the moving. Student movement will be extremely limited.
8. I have two children in the Saginaw Public Schools. Both schools have said that due to Covid 19 restrictions we can't have traditional orientations. That orientations will be held virtually. If it isn't ok for a group of parents to be in the building for a short period of time how is it ok for the children to be in the building in bigger groups all day? I know this is new to everyone and everyone is trying their best to navigate these new waters. It would just be nice to have more consistency and clarity. Thank you for any information you might have in shedding some light on this.

RESPONSE: Face to Face instruction is allowed in Phase 4 of the Governors MI Safe Start Plan with safety requirements in place.

9. Is their a projected number of how many kids will be in each class for hybrid learning? If my pre-k students doesn't start Sept 8 (do to choosing virtual learning for my other children) will his spot still be available for him to start second semester?

RESPONSE: The projection for each class under the hybrid model is 12-15 students or less per class.

10. I read in the plan about a "quarantine room". What do you plan on using that for? Can you please elaborate on this concept.

RESPONSE: The quarantine room will be utilized for students who have shown symptoms and need to be isolated until they can be picked up by a parent.

11. Lot of parents are confused over online learning, virtual learning, remote learning. Can u specify? Lot of parents choose virtual learn options since they do not want the kids to send to school first semester. Given the choices of online or remote learning options, they would have choose online or remote learning which most of the school district offering.

Please clarify spsd's all options in all scenarios.

RESPONSE: As of August 14th, 2020, SPSD is offering a hybrid model which includes face to face instruction in Cohorts of students and a separate virtual option that will be through Edgenuity. If the plan changes we will notify parents.