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Lexington District One unveils plan for high school students

LEXINGTON, S.C. — Tonight at a meeting of the Board of Trustees, Dr. Thomas Rivers, secondary schools director, presented a plan to bring high school students back to school in the four plus one model (face-to-face instruction four days a week, Monday–Thursday, with Friday e-learning days) on Tuesday, January 19, 2021. January 19 is the first day of the second semester.

Dr. Rivers explained that bringing high school students back to school earlier in December/January before the beginning of second semester and after the installation of plexiglass in all classrooms might create an unnecessary disruption.

Once students come back from Winter Break on Monday, January 4, teachers will spend time with their students reviewing for exams and another week giving exams. Once factored in, it seemed wiser not to disrupt the semester right before exams but, instead, to wait for the beginning of the second semester to make the transition.

Unlike the elementary and middle grades, it is impractical to phase in high school students since their schedules are not assigned strictly by grade. For instance, a freshman may have a first block class with seniors and a second block class with sophomores and freshmen.

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