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I would like to submit a public comment for Agenda Items 5a and 5b - the COVID-19 Update.

My name is Jennifer Andreevski. I am a parent of two students attending Coral Academy. One attends school at the Tamarus campus and the other attends school at the Windmill campus.

The Tamarus campus is very small. It is highly doubtful the Tamarus campus can welcome back all of their students in its current configuration with the three-foot social distancing rule in place. This would be severely detrimental to our children's education. Neither of my daughters made significant gains on their MAP scores last year and it is critical that they have the opportunity to return to school full-time in-person in the Fall. We have excellent, dedicated teachers at our school but my daughters simply do not learn as well over the internet.

Although I have every intention to return to Coral Academy, I will have no choice but to pull them out of Coral Academy and enroll them at CCSD if a full-time in-person re-opening is not permitted. I simply cannot allow my daughters to miss any more in-person instruction when full-time in-person learning is the default option for all 320,000 students at CCSD.

It is well-known that if children contract Covid, they generally have very mild disease. In addition, everybody aged 12 and up has access to a free Covid-19 vaccine that is highly effective in preventing disease and death. The vaccine, especially, puts us in a far different position than we were in this time last year.

I ask that the Board be mindful of the specific space-challenges some of our schools may face. Please do not let Charter Schools be the only schools who are bringing their students back on less than full-time in-person schedules next school year. Our children have not had "normal" since March 2020. August 2021 must be back to normal capacity. It is imperative for the future of our students.

If it is necessary to put a three-foot rule in place as a general guideline, so be it. But please grant waivers to that rule freely based on unavoidable space considerations. Coral Academy's class sizes are not extraordinarily high. The Tamarus campus is not in this position because they added students to each grade level. It is simply a matter of physically small classrooms and maintaining the same student body numbers as we have always had.

Thank you for your time and consideration.