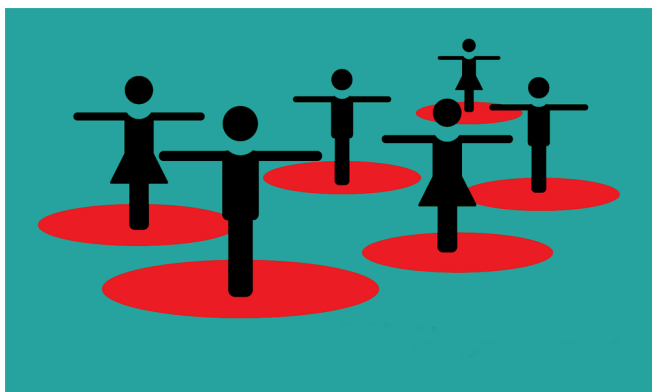




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Amid the unprecedented closure of schools due to COVID-19, the District has been working steadily to prepare a safe and flexible contingency plan that will be necessary to reopen schools and offices for the start of 2020-21.

## PLANNING & RE-ENTRY OPTIONS

- The District's S.A.F.E. Planning Team has been meeting daily since the onset of the COVID-19 crisis. This cross-functional team is charged with assessing both short-term and long-term plans for academics and operational support functions while developing safe and comprehensive guidance for school-based and central office staff to manage day-to-day priorities and eventually return to schools and offices.
- Superintendent Ray recently announced a **Re-Entry Task Force** comprised of key stakeholders with education, healthcare, faith-based and business expertise to advise and support the District in specific areas that will be critical to the reopening of schools:

### 5 S.A.F.E. Strategies Priorities

Re-entry protocols for students, teachers & staff (social distancing, face coverings, etc.)

Transportation, meals & potential logistical challenges

Interventions to address lost instruction (extended school year, extended day, Saturday school, etc.)

Social emotional learning support

Communicating plans to all stakeholders

- Given the uncertainty regarding conditions in August 2020, a hybrid model of in-person and online learning is possible to begin the year. However, the Task Force will be exploring multiple options, such as:

### Fall 2020 Hybrid Model Options

Complete or near-complete return to buildings while adhering to CDC guide lines

Staggered schedules to reduce the number of people in school building at a time

Complete or near-complete online learning





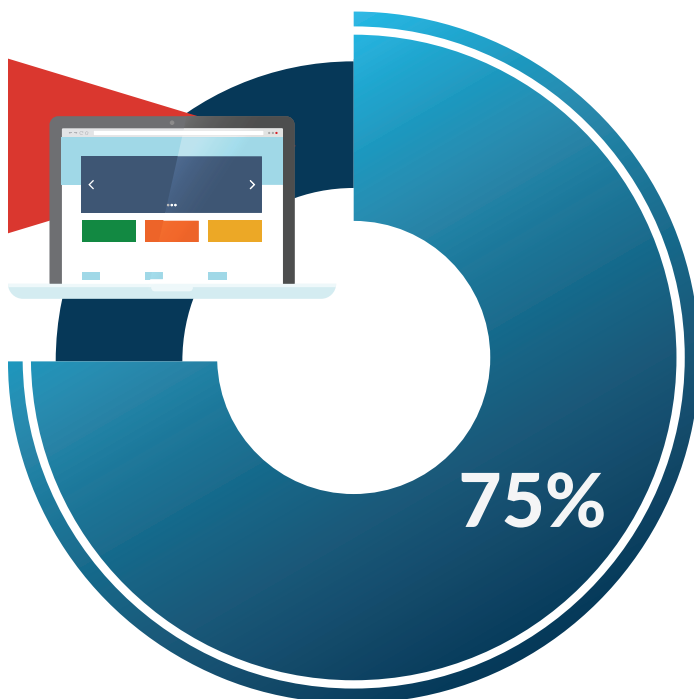
## COST OF IMPROVING DIGITAL ACCESS

- As the COVID-19 crisis is challenging districts across the country to accelerate the implementation of blended and distance learning plans, SCS is working to create a bold and progressive plan that would lead to all students and teachers having access to a device and internet.
- The District's Digital Advisory Committee is exploring options to secure funding for the plan, which could range from \$24 million to \$91 million. The committee includes District staff, along with representatives from the School Board, Shelby County Board of Commissioners, Greater Memphis Chamber, IT consultants, charitable organizations and the community.
- Superintendent Ray has recommended plans for utilizing approximately \$36 million in federal CARES Act funds to assist in the District's response to COVID-19, with 75% of funds going toward digital devices. The rest of the funds would cover necessities (10%) to ensure the health and safety of our students, teachers, and District personnel (digital thermometers, personal protective equipment (PPE), hand-washing/hand-sanitizing supplies, training materials, etc.) and costs associated with extending time in school (15%) for students to receive additional support and interventions.



## CARES Act Funding Proposal

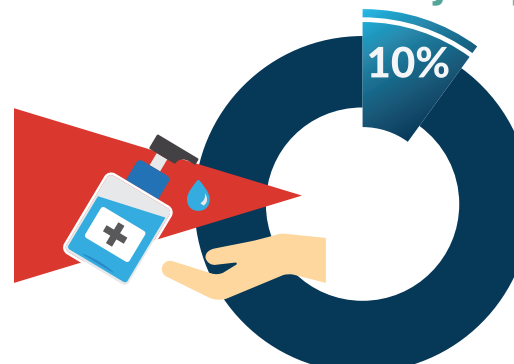
### Digital Learning Strategy



### Extended Learning



### Health and Safety Supplies





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