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Tusler Meets with Area School Superintendents and Administrators

Rep. Tusler Discusses Options and Challenges for Re-Opening Schools This Fall

Madison, WI – Today, State Representative Ron Tusler met with Kimberly School District Superintendent Bob Mayfield, Hilbert School District Superintendent Tony Sweere, Appleton School District Superintendent Judy Baseman, Brillion Public Schools Superintendent Dominick Madison, and Appleton School District Chief Financial Officer Greg Hartjes to discuss what re-opening our schools might look like this fall.

"Students, parents, teachers, and staff need clarity about the upcoming school year and they need a plan, emphasized Representative Tusler. "Education is so important for our children's future. We need to provide our students with a safe, quality educational experience. Nevertheless, it is going to be a challenging year in a number of ways."

"Administrators take student, faculty, and staff safety very seriously," said Tusler. "No one wants anyone to get sick. Mitigating the risk of contracting COVID-19, while providing quality education to our students is our best way forward."

"My top priority in the upcoming school year will be to work toward a bipartisan effort to keep our schools open. We need to take reasonable precautions that fit within our financial and logistical means. We will need students, parents, and faculty's patience as we balance our traditional educational needs with the additional strains of coronavirus."

"The <u>Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction announced they will release guidance</u> about returning to school on June 22. I expect a detailed plan about how our schools should proceed to safely educate our students this fall."

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