City Council approves Campbell's short-term rental proposal

By DAVE SCHWAB | THE BEACON

San Diego City Council on Feb. 23 voted 8 to 1 to adopt a new proposed ordinance that would regulate short-term rentals and become effective July 1, 2022. District 1 Councilmember Joe LaCava cast the lone dissenting vote.

The short-term rental compromise was proposed by District 2 Councilmember and current Council President Jennifer Campbell. Supporters of her proposal, however, questioned her that operators with the cleanest records be given first priority for whole-home STR operators. They argued instead that operators with the cleanest records be given first priority for whole-home rental licenses.

"I want to thank everyone who was a part of putting together this ordinance and who has fought so hard to implement common-sense ideas for our city," Campbell said. "This ordinance shows San Diegans that our city government can do what we’re elected to do – to solve our most confounding problems with workable solutions."

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As outlined in a memorandum of understanding between the Campbell office, Unite Here Local 30 union, and Expedia Group representing short-term rental platforms, her new ordinance claims to be enforceable. The memorandum states that the City's housing crisis, this or -

Andrea Schlager, chair of Ocean Beach Planning Board, was displeased with the decision. "All of this language about 'compromise' and how this is a good compromise because no one is happy is disingenuous," she said. "Public policy is not about compromise. Good public policy is about protecting the average person while striving for justice and incentivizing good behavior."

The new ordinance includes:
- Capping whole home STRs at 1% of the City’s housing stock per the San Diego Planning Commission (based on SANDAG’s annual Demographic and Socioeconomic Housing estimates), which would equal to 0,5400, today.
- No limit on home-sharing STRs.
- Allowing part-time STR operators to obtain a license at lower annual fees to accommodate high visitor events such as Comic-Con, Pride or December Nights.
- Allowing STR owners a maximum of one license, per person.
- Creating a detailed Good Neighbor Policy along with strict enforcement guidelines, a fine structure for violations, and a license revocation standard.

is our fifth public hearing at the council on this issue. Short-term rentals are part of our DNA as a City. It’s always been a part of us, and always will be."

“We can all agree this issue has been unresolved for far too long,” said District 4 Councilmember Vivian Moreno. “We all know short-term rentals are a major component of tourism. Given the demand for short-term rentals, it makes sense to regulate them. This ordinance before us is reasonable, makes sense to regulate them. This demand for short-term rentals, it creates a legal inventory for STRs and would return thousands of homes to the market. Make no mistake, it is the Wild West with municipal code that prohibits enforcement of the City’s housing crisis, this ordinance is not dedicated to good public policy, just politics.”

Jonah Mechanic, president of Share San Diego, representing short-term rental platforms, gave an official statement from that group.

“Share San Diego supports Council President Campbell’s Good Neighbor STR ordinance, not because it is a big win for the local managers, but because it is a fair compromise that takes into consideration the concerns of both sides,” he said.

“For opponents who have voiced concerns about party houses and the City’s housing crisis, this ordinance fully funds a robust 24/7 code enforcement program and will return thousands of homes to the market. Make no mistake, the number of STRs based on a percent of the City’s total dwelling units, and instituting a license fee that will likely be the highest in the nation, is a major concession for STR owners.”

Added Mechanic: “We are willing to accept these items because we recognize the ordinance is a compromise. What is most important to us is that the responsible STR owners and managers continue to operate and earn an income that supports their families. Many of our members are concerned they will not be able to obtain a license in a random lottery that includes restrictions on whole-home rentals.

“If the goal of the ordinance is to eliminate bad actors, then we suggest prioritizing licenses for responsible STR owners who can prove they have been good actors, have been paying TOT, and do not have outstanding code violations.”

Another short-term rental opponent, Gary Wonacott of Mission Beach, gave his take on the City’s Council’s STR decision, which included a “carve-out” for Mission Beach, which has the highest number of coastal STRs, from the new ordinance.

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OB Hardware seeking new local owners

By DAVE SCHWAB | The Beacon

Wanted: A local buyer for one of the oldest businesses in town.

OB Hardware at 4871 Newport Ave. is on the auction block, and present co-owner Michael DeEmidio, who bought the business from the previous owners in 2018, is moving on.

“After a lot of heavy-hearted consideration, my wife and I have decided to move out of California to be closer to family,” said DeEmidio. “We are reaching out to the community in an effort to find someone to whom we can pass the OB Hardware baton. Ideally, someone invested in the community who wants to care for this legacy and leave their mark. We will be relocating this fall, so it is pressing that any interested parties step up now.”

DeEmidio and business partner Michael Grimes bought OB Hardware from Carl and Carolyn Weidetz, who owned the century-old Ocean Beach Paint and Hardware for half that time. The business, which opened in 1919, carries tools, gardening, plumbing and electrical supplies as well as paints.

DeEmidio’s targeted June 1 as the date by which he needs to find a buyer for his hardware business. Though his plans have changed, he said he’s never regretted his experience as a beach-town retailer. “When I decided to jump in, they (Weidetzs) were going out of business,” he noted. “It was worth the time and effort. I left my corporate job and I don’t regret it. We’ve managed to rebuild the store.”

Added DeEmidio of the store, “It’s in a much better position than it was when we took over, financially speaking. It’s more functional. We’ve got a lot of inventory. We’ve been here and the community loves it. We’ve got a lot of momentum. We’re hoping we can find someone to step in and do what we’ve done.”

DeEmidio said the ideal candidate to buy his hardware business would be “someone with a retail background and a good business sense. We would prefer someone from the community that kind of knows the store at least, knows what the community is about.”

The hardware store owner said there are many advantages to owning a mom-and-pop in a beach town like OB, adding he’s tried, as much as possible, to reciprocate the community’s goodwill. “People here know our employees will help them as soon as they get through the door,” he said. “It’s really a joy. I love spending time here. You come to work and learn a ton. And not just from the business side. I’ve learned the world of hardware, and it’s just invaluable for life.”

DeEmidio talked about one big addition they’ve added in their three years of hardware store ownership. “Our whole backroom now is gardening,” he said. “And we’re not planning on scaling back on inventory. Gardening season is coming up and we’ve got a great garden section now.”

Of his store inventory, DeEmidio said, “We carry everything from fasteners, screws and nails to plumbing, electrical and kitchen items. We do screen repairs. We make keys. We joke that, ‘We have a little bit of everything, but don’t have a lot of anything.’ We’re really a one-stop-shop.”

Anyone interested in purchasing OB Hardware should contact broker Mitch McGinley at mitch@kbb.com or 404-272-9108.

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Point Loma woman helps seniors schedule vaccination appointments

By DUVE SCHMID | THE BEACON

A Liberty Station-based Realtor is helping local seniors set up their COVID vaccination appointments.

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“It’s hard enough for those of us who know their way around computers, but for elderly people who aren’t computer savvy, it’s even harder,” said Sylvia Lange of Coldwell Banker West at 2468 Historic Decatur.

Lange helped several seniors at Clairemont Emmanuel Baptist Church sign up for vaccination appointments. She has since posted on a Point Loma Next Door social media offering to seniors with facilitating appointments.

“Even though vaccinations are available for their age groups, many seniors still don’t know how to navigate their computers to find out the information,” Lange said.

“It was just breaking my heart,” Lange said.

“Lange has been amazed by the positive reaction she’s gotten from those she helped.

“They’re grateful that unbelievable, she said. “You’d have thought I’d given them a kidney. They were just so happy to get help. It’s been very rewarding to help them get appointments.”

Lange pointed out many seniors face a double whammy in being fearful of the virus, and not being computer literate enough to be able to set up their own appointments online.

“They just need help with the digital stuff,” Lange said. “It’s just too much for them.”

The Realtor said she is not working for, or affiliated with, any organization.

“It’s just me here with my laptop,” she said.

Those wishing to reach out to Lange for assistance can email her at sylvia@sylvialange.com

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New fried chicken spot in Ocean Beach has Hodad’s pedigree

By DAVE SCHWAB | THE BEACON

The co-owners of newly minted Chicken Headz in Ocean Beach are offshoots of another well-known eatery nearby: Hodad’s. Business duo Martin Robles and Bruno Elias of Chicken Headz at 5026 Newport Ave. both cut their teeth at Hodad’s, an iconic restaurant up the block. Elias worked there for 17 years. Robles for 10.

“We all started out in the kitchen back in the day prepping, frying, and slowly moving our way up,” said Elias. “We’d been thinking about doing something on the side. Once the pandemic hit, it just motivated us to start looking into the ideas that we had. Fried chicken was definitely one of them. “We all started out in the back learning all aspects of the business,” noted Robles adding, “It’s not life or death. It’s lunch and dinner.”

The space Chicken Headz inhabits was previously a Mexican grill, Livingston’s, attached to Sunshine Company next door which became available last year. “We just felt it was time to take that gamble,” said Robles. “It was talk about it — or be time to take that gamble,” said Elias. “It’s business,” noted Robles adding, “It’s not life or death. “It’s lunch and dinner.”

“We knew going into it that this was going to be a take-out place only, so the pandemic didn’t really affect us,” pointed out Elias.

“We’re learning as we go. But during the pandemic down time was a cool time to come here as we rebuilt the inside of this old classic Mexican restaurant,” said Robles. “We were just looking forward to opening up to the public and giving a different visual perception as well.”

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Caricature artists draw on success in Ocean Beach

By DAVE SCHWARTZ | THE BEACON

Husband-and-wife team Aaron Philby and Saemee Yoon have spent the past year in Ocean Beach playing their specialized, personalized art form and trade: caricature drawing.

“I’ve just always loved drawing faces and cartoons,” said Philby, an art school grad who has set up shop in a tucked-away space at 4967 Newport Ave. “Art has always been my passion. And caricature has really pulled me in and kept my interest.”

Added Philby of his craft, “Every single face is a different, artistic experience, the expressive things about people’s faces, and then seeing someone’s reaction (to their caricature). You can see them resonating with those same things you saw in their face.”

A caricature is a rendered image showing the features of its subject in a simplified or exaggerated way through sketching, pencil strokes, or through other artistic drawings. Caricature artists are popular attractions at many places frequented by tourists, especially oceanfront boardwalks, where vacationers can have a humorous caricature sketched in a few minutes.

Philby and Yoon’s business, Caricature Party, involves both in-person caricature drawing as well as working from photographs. They also hire out for parties and special events. They charge $20 per person, $35 for two people.

After graduating art school, Philby started his career sketching caricatures at Cedar Point Amusement Park in Ohio. He met his wife, also a caricaturist, when he lived abroad and worked in South Korea. After returning to the states, he also worked for a time as a caricaturist at SeaWorld San Diego.

The couple take great pride in their work.

“We really want to do a great drawing for people that’s really funny — and honest,” said Philby. “Having our own shop really allows for an environment that’s good for that. It’s time consuming. But we want to give people something that’s really worth their money.”

With coronavirus keeping people more indoors these days, Philby said he and Saemee are “doing a lot of commissions, working from caricature drawings. Caricature artists draw on success in Ocean Beach

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Philby was asked how he does a caricature, which sometimes features oversized heads of subjects.

“Big heads are a typical trope (figurative or metaphorical use) for live caricature,” he answered. “What we do is try to emphasize what’s unique or interesting about your face, get a good likeness, in a short period of time. You train your brain to be able to do it in a short period of time. You train your brain to be able to do it. It takes a lot of practice, a lot of experience. It’s challenging.”

Added Philby, “You can be honest with your first impressions of a subject, hanging on to what you think is unique about them. They want it to look like them. Then comes the honesty, and the humor, and being able to have fun with it (drawing).”

Philby and Yoon feel right at home in OB. “I like the vibe here,” he said. “It really feels like the heart of San Diego to me. We really got lucky to find this shop.”

Philby said he and his wife work Wednesdays and weekends, typically from 1 to 7 p.m., at their shop by appointment.

Caricatures can be insulting or complimentary and can serve a political purpose or be drawn solely for entertainment. Caricatures of politicians are commonly used in editorial cartoons, while caricatures of movie stars are often found in entertainment magazines.

Some of the earliest caricatures are found in the works of Leonardo da Vinci, who actively sought people with deformities to use as models. The point was to offer an impression of the original, which was more striking than a portrait. Caricature took a road to its first successes in the closed aristocratic circles of France and Italy.

San Diego Unified sets April target for reopening schools with in-person learning

San Diego Unified, the state’s second-largest school district, announced plans to return to in-person instruction the week of April 12, based on a regional agreement to start teacher vaccinations next week. The reopening plan would apply to all grade levels and take effect as soon as San Diego County drops back into the state’s Red Tier. Teachers who wish to be vaccinated have had the opportunity to do so, and proper safety measures continue to be in place on every campus.

“Our plan to reopen classrooms in April is the result of groundbreaking collaboration between our city, our county and our professional educators,” said Zim Toribio, CEO of the San Diego Unified School District. “From the start of this crisis, we have remained committed to reopening when it was safe and responsible to do so. Full vaccinations for educators are part of that safety plan, and we are very grateful for our regional partners helping us to achieve this goal.”

Barrera said.

The City of San Diego has offered to make emergency medical personnel available to help administer vaccines to educators, and the County of San Diego has said teacher vaccinations could begin as soon as Monday, March 1.

Barrera thanked the State Legislature for the clear reopen guidance in Senate Bill 86, which was released Thursday, Feb. 18. He also thanked the panel of UC San Diego medical experts, which released the latest recommendations to the district Friday, Feb. 19. Those two steps last week have allowed the district to keep its commitment to follow the science in planning for a safe, responsible classroom reopening, Barrera said.

Even as the district prepares for a return to in-person instruction, the district recognizes some parents will not feel safe sending their students back on campus at this time. For those families, online learning will continue to be an option.

“In the past year, our country has lost 500,000 people to this terrible disease, and we know our young people have also felt its effects, through lost loved ones, and also through lost opportunities. We also know this loss has not been easy for our educators and our students, as they have watched many of their colleagues, family members and loved ones deal with the effects of COVID-19,” Barrera said.

The district has also emphasized the importance of supporting each other during this unprecedented time.

“We are grateful to all of our staff and our community for everything you have done throughout this pandemic,” Barrera said. “We are confident that our partnerships will continue to be strong and will support our students, families, and staff through this difficult time.”

The district will continue to monitor developments related to COVID-19 and will provide updates as needed.

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Point Loma High sports given green light to start practicing

BY SCOTT HOPKINS | The Beacon

After nearly a year of sitting on the sidelines, many Point Loma High School athletes are being allowed to take the field again.

PLHS athletic director Manuel Diaz’s message to the school community announced the resumption of sports, which enriches the lives of over 800 Pointer students. Some further requirements, however, must be met.

SEASON 1 SPORTS

Starting Feb. 27, Pointer football players will begin practice for what is planned as a four-game season. However, CIF policy states contact practices and games will not be permitted until San Diego County reaches an adjusted COVID case rate of 14 or fewer per 100,000. The first possible games will be allowed on March 12. The last day of the competition is April 17.

Field hockey players’ practices have begun in hopes of a four-game season. On Feb. 25 contact practices and games will cease until the same COVID rate is reached. Competition, however, must end on March 20.

Cross-country competitions will be limited to only two teams per event. A county championship does not appear likely before competition must end March 27.

Swimming/diving is looking towards an April 17 CIF Championship meet. Soccer is tentatively set to begin on March 1. Indoor sports (badminton and girls volleyball) may not begin under California Department of Public Health guidelines.

Diaz stressed the importance of each student obtaining athletic clearance and a completed “COVID 19 Check List” filled out before they may begin activity.

One major problem facing Diaz and coaches is how to fit the number of teams into the limited practice space on the PLHS campus. This is a difficult task when sports are spread over three seasons and more critical when they are combined in two.

SEASON 2 SPORTS:

Looking ahead, season two sports are listed by CIF based on the state color tier that would allow them to proceed. Purple Tier sports include golf, tennis, and track and field whose seasons have already opened. Purple and track and field would hold CIF finals on June 12 if permitted.

Red Tier sports are baseball, softball, and girls’ lacrosse. A Pointer baseball boosters’ message notes conditioning will begin immediately with players being tested daily before participation.

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Famed Ocean Beach volleyball legend dies

By Scott Hopkins | The Beacon

George Stepanof, who died early this month at the age of 84, was a man of professional passion and dedication.

In his profession, he was a San Diego firefighter who rose to the rank of battalion chief, and his passions included being a beach volleyball player and tournament organizer. He was also a proud father and grandfather.

As a teeneger in 1955, Stepanof, a recent graduate of Kearny High School, discovered the beach volleyball game one day while at Mission Beach and he was hooked. During his lifetime, he is credited with creating not only the first official beach volleyball rule book but also the classification system that divides players by level of skill from A to AAA.

He managed the annual Mexican Classic in both Estero and Rosarito beaches, Baja California, believed to be the largest two-man game in the world, that once drew 59 teams.

Soon after discovering the beach volleyball game, Stepanof married his love Arlene and the pair were together 63 years until his death, living in a home on Brighton Avenue in Ocean Beach.

"It’s impossible to overstate George Stepanof’s importance to the California Beach Volleyball Association (CBVA) and the sport of beach volleyball," former CBVA president Chris Brown said.

He is an Ocean Beach icon. Stepanof was the California Beach Volleyball Association’s Hall of Fame inductee in 1990. He organized tournaments for more than 50 years.

Arlene Stepanof noted that when tournaments were held at Brighton Street, a loyal crew would come to cheer on the players.

"He was one of the founding fathers of the CBVA and he has run tournaments in San Diego since the 1950s and never missed a tournament," Arlene said.

Stepanof was elected to the CBVA Hall of Fame in 1992 to recognize his lifetime of contributions.

One of his biggest local tournaments was sponsored by Jose Cuervo Gold tequila and drew throngs of spectators to watch the competition on the sands of Ocean Beach. Sponsors erected a huge inflated tequila bottle near the courts as spectators enjoyed the intense competition.

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1. What is your reason for selling?

2. Calculate a potential net gain based on expected prices. Is this gain what you expect (need) or hope (desire)?

3. Does your property need improvements? Do you have a budget? If not, do you need one? Do you need resources?

4. What is your timeframe? Why?

5. What is your plan after you sell? Does your property in order to purchase a new one?

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WHAT’S YOUR PLAN?

So many people think about buying or selling a home, but don’t have a clear plan. Just because we have all sorts of instant and online resources at our fingertips doesn’t mean the process for you, nor make it any less confusing. In fact, the massive amount of information thrown at you creates a layer of time and complexity. If you know that a purchase or sale is in your future, why not start planning now?

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Point Loma Girl Scouts get creative for cookie sales

To ensure the safety of Girl Scouts and cookies buyers in Point Loma, the Girl Scouts are following the county health guidelines established to help reduce COVID-19 transmissions. They are approaching the cookie program a bit differently this year, combining time-honored sales techniques with innovative approaches in a socially distanced manner.

Daisy Girl Scout Troop 4423 includes first-graders at the Loma Portal and High Tech elementary schools. Leader Jessica Voytek says that, while her girls miss interacting with customers, they have found ways to market cookies. “We created a fun sales video, called last year’s customers, and made flyers and signs with their personal QR codes and the addresses for their secure “Digital Cookie” websites.

Troop parents reached out on social media and reached out to their daughters’ online stores to shop, pay, and select either direct shipping from the baker or contact-free delivery by the girls and their parents.

Seven-year-old Linnea Voytek has a secret marketing weapon: an eight-foot-tall dinosaur named Lilly. In addition to creating a custom-made Daisy vest to help promote her Scout Cookie season, a decked-out Lilly comes out of hiding for major holidays.

Jessica Voytek sees Linnea and her troopmates growing in confidence through Girl Scouting. Participating in the cookie program, for example, helps them learn goal setting, decision-making, money management, people skills, and business ethics. “They get a real sense of accomplishment when they complete a cookie transaction or achieve a goal,” she says.

Linnea has surpassed her original goal of 250 packages of cookies and wants to keep going. “Being a Girl Scout makes me feel warm inside,” she says, adding that she can’t wait to deliver to the Browne-level this spring.

Troop 4423 formed in January 2020, so most of its weekly meetings have been online. By completing 10 units about how to be honest and fair, courageous and strong, respectiful of themselves and others, and other Girl Scout Law, the girls have earned the right to add ten colorful daisy petals to their vests. They are currently doing activities and discussions centered around that idea by learning how to take care of animals. Daisies also learn to take care of themselves. The girls plan to use part of their cookie money to purchase supplies to assist animals at the San Diego Humane Society.

All net cookie proceeds stay here in San Diego to fund programs, camps, service projects, field trips, and the financial assistance that allows all girls to participate in Girl Scouting.

How to find Girl Scout Cookies

Cookie fans who know a Girl Scout may ask her first for invitations to their Digital Cookie site. Others may visit sdgirlscouts.org and type in their ZIP code to request cookies from a troop in their community. Recently, under guidance from health officials, Girl Scouts have been permitted to host “standabouts” (cookie booths) outside their residences, using the same strict safety protocols as farmers markets.

Customers also may donate cookies to Operation Thin Mint, a local program that sends “a taste of home and a note to show care” to deployed service members and local veterans. Since it began 20 years ago, generous San Diegans have gifted over 3.25 million packages of cookies to grateful U.S. troops serving around the world.

Read more online at sdnews.com

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CLUES ACROSS

1. Ancient linen cloth
2. Spice
3. Blush
4. Uniform
5. Closeby
6. Commercially
7. Some public announcements
8. American laphelia
9. Janitor's helper
10. A good one of this kind
11. Of or having
12. Engage in competition

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

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of Ocean Beach regulars helped Stepanof set up the site, put up the nets, and stayed afterward to clean up.

Sometimes tournament planning was difficult she recalled. “Years ago, guys drinking in a bar would decide at 2 a.m. enter a tournament starting later that day and they would call us at home. George would have to re-do the entire tournament boards,” she recalled with a laugh. “But putting on the tournaments was the love of his life.”

Jim Joniaux (PLHS 1968) was already a volleyball player when he moved in next door to the Stepanofs and became close friends with the family. “George was a legend and could do anything including building and fixing things,” Joniaux said. “He was a mentor to me. He ex-celled in every sport and his trophy case could fill an entire house.”

Arlene Stepanof’s sons, Scott and Tom are retired Coronado firefighters while Rick is a geologist in Puerto Rico. Two of Stepanof’s grandsons also played volleyball for the Pointers and a grand-daughter played at Bishop’s before joining the UC Berkeley team.

Arlene Stepanof noted the irony when George experienced a medical emergency while driving through Liberty Station. First on the scene were firefighters from Station 20, the station where he was a captain until his medical retirement following spring break. These opportunities are largely designed to support students who face severe obstacles to online learning. They include students experiencing homelessness, English language learners and many special education students. Barrera described these efforts as important, but insufficient given the extraordinary level of need.

“San Diegans can be rightfully proud of the heroic efforts our teachers and other workers have put forward over the past year,” Barrera said. “They have served 12 million free meals, distributed more than 80,000 laptops and thousands of WiFi hotspots, hosted forums for thousands of parents in many different languages, and most of all, they have never stopped working to make our school buildings safer. That work will only grow as importance as we prepare to reopen classrooms.”

According to the San Diego County Office of Education, some 88,000 students are now participating in a hybrid learning environment, including some time on campus. That county number will immediately double once San Diego Unified launches its own hybrid program.

Board Vice President Dr. Sharon Whitehurst-Payne called on state lawmakers to move quickly to pass SB86 and then move to forward with additional funding for an equity-based recovery.

“Now is the time for the state to embark on a recovery plan to provide more instruction time and more dedicated attention to students. This recovery must be based on acceleration, not remediation,” Whitehurst-Payne said. “State funding must be set aside now, so districts can begin planning to implement evidence-based strategies, which should be locally driven, but could include expanded tutoring, in-person academic and enrichment classes this summer, and mental health supports.”

All families will be asked to share their preferences for returning their students to in-person classroom instruction in a district survey.
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