Parents,

I have had many parents ask about Epic and other online school options compared to GPS offerings. Gore Schools will offer all online learning options that far exceed charters' online options. We will provide 7 hours a day teacher access, teacher conference, technology for connectivity, technology support if you have issues or questions, one-to- one teacher tutoring sessions, a local home base for on campus meeting, a state adopted curriculum, teachers, counselors, and administrators that are accessible for your needs, and many other advantages that these charters do not offer students and parents. We have a local administration and board that you can bring your concerns to and get answers.

People have stated that last spring that local districts did not offer acceptable coursework and learning options. Schools were thrown into virtual learning last spring without prior notice and were not prepared for this. This is because the state department of ed. mandated no grading that would lower a grade, only remediation and review of what had been offered during the on-campus classes up to the date schools were mandated to close. Our hands were tied on what we could offer. **NOW WE ARE FULLY PREPARED!**

Before you consider enrolling your student in an online charter, please do your research. Charters have a history of poor student educational progress. This is documented on the school report card on the state department of education web site.

Gore Schools is here for your student and will offer far more and much higher quality educational options than any online charter or private can ever provide. Keep your tax dollars home serving your students here in Gore.

Update on closing and masks:

Today the state board of education will meet to vote on a "color code system" for schools. This color code system will determine district level protocol on closing, mandatory mask wearing, sports participation, and building level occupancy. I will have a detailed explanation on Monday of what the state board mandates for your review on our FB page and on our web site.

As always, please let us know if you have any questions, concerns or suggestions.

We are here to serve you and your students' educational needs and can offer enhanced opportunities that charters simply cannot.

Thank you, McCrary, Supt. Gore Schools