

MCDC

Montclair **Child**
Development Center

Parent Virtual Meeting

Thursday, July 30th 2020
4:00pm



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Poll Time



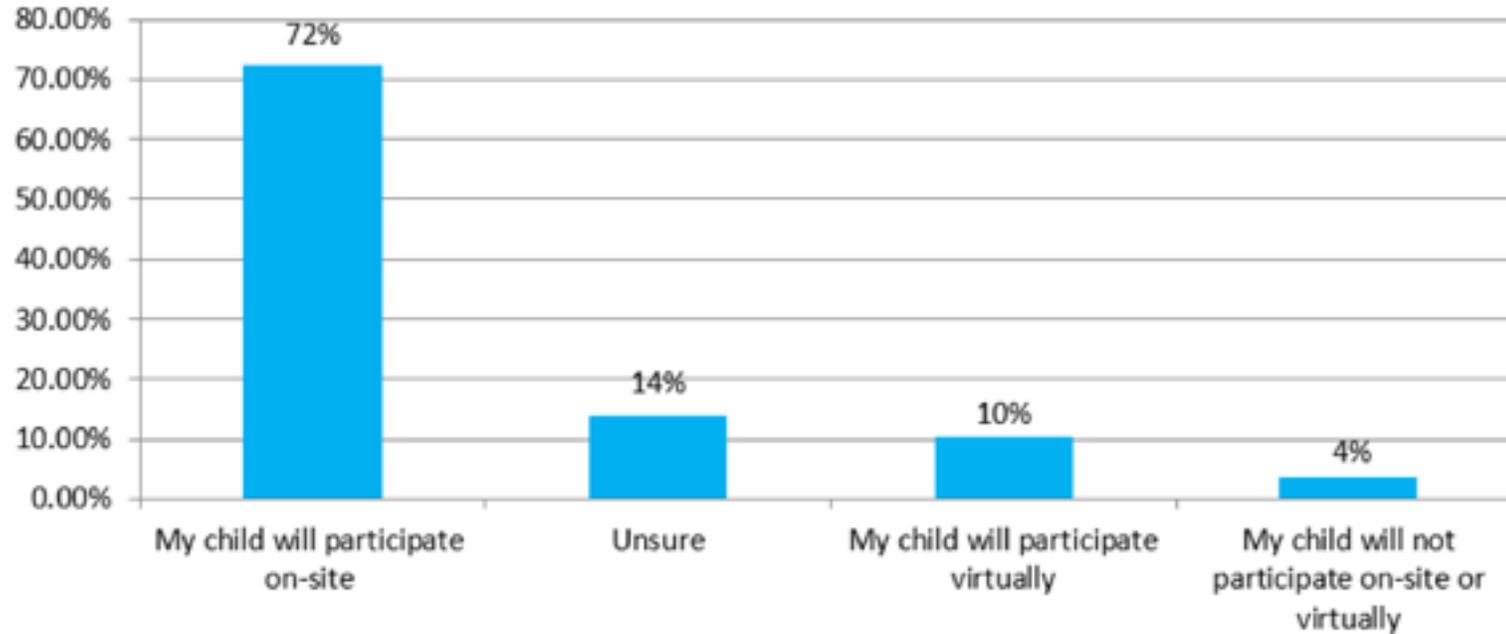
Family Survey





2020 Returning Family Survey Results

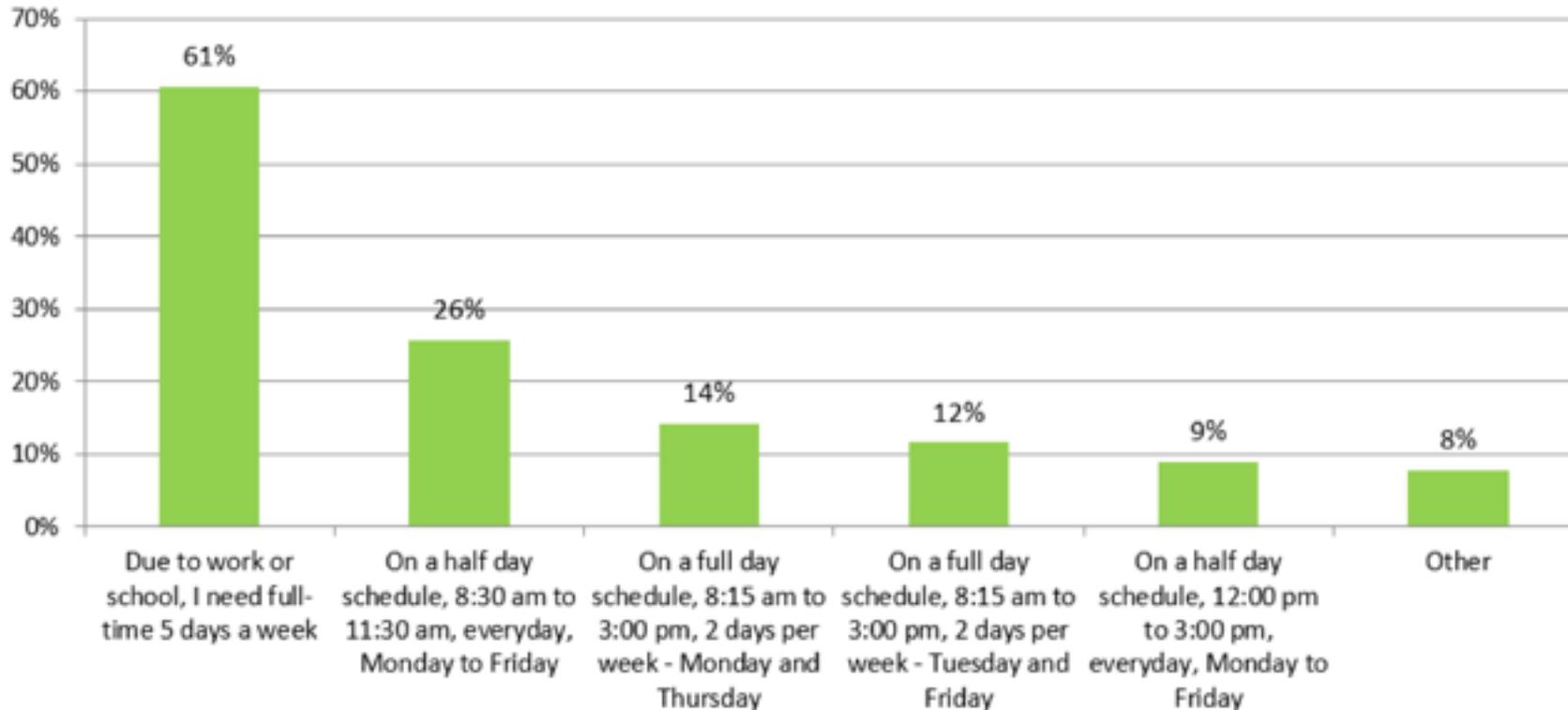
We are planning to resume onsite classes in September, which may include a virtual option. If we do, will your child participate?





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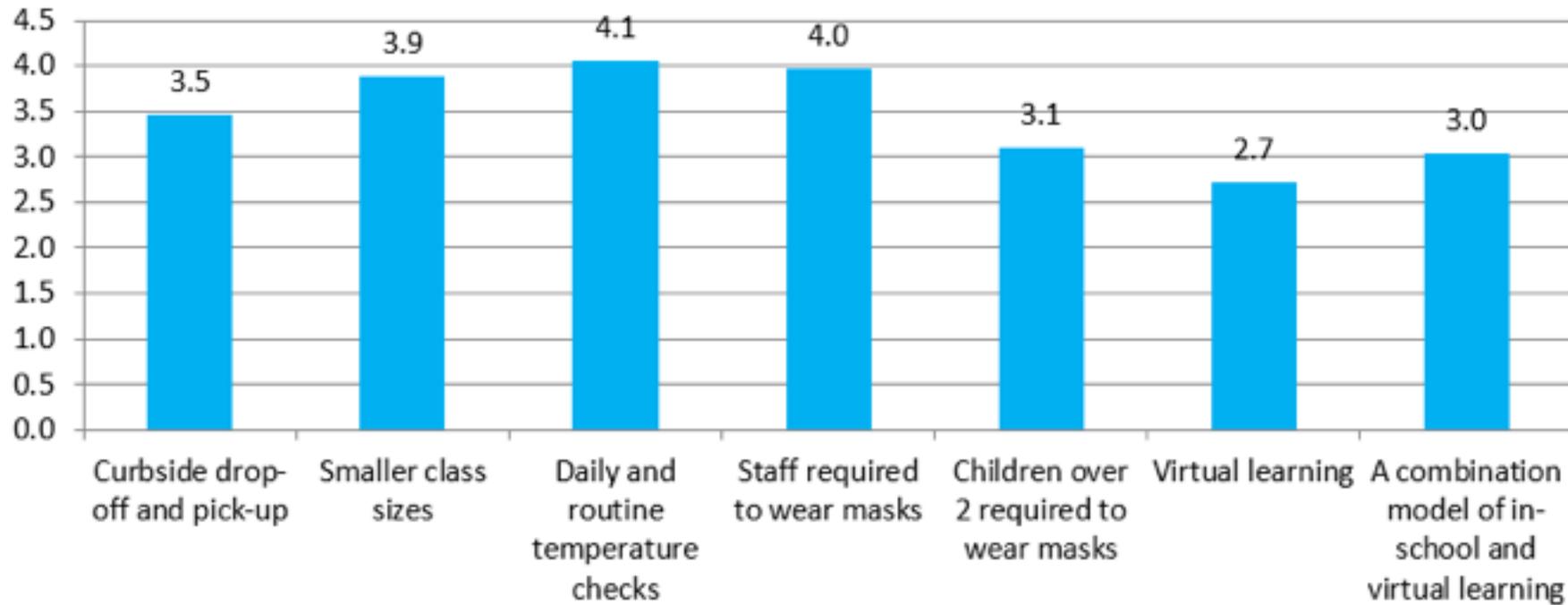
In the event we are not able to offer full-day, 5 days a week services—please check off what schedule works best for you:





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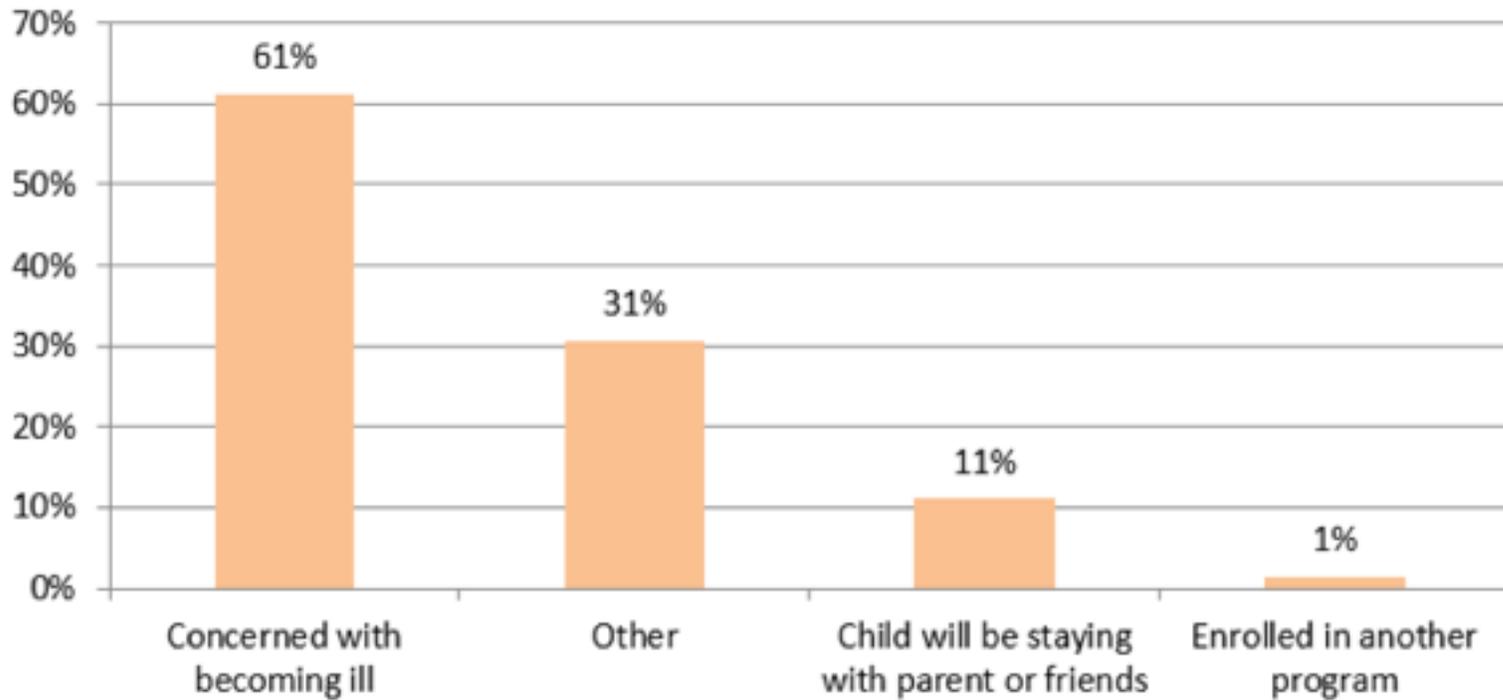
On a scale of 1 - 5, 1 being extremely uncomfortable and 5 being extremely comfortable, tell me how you feel about:





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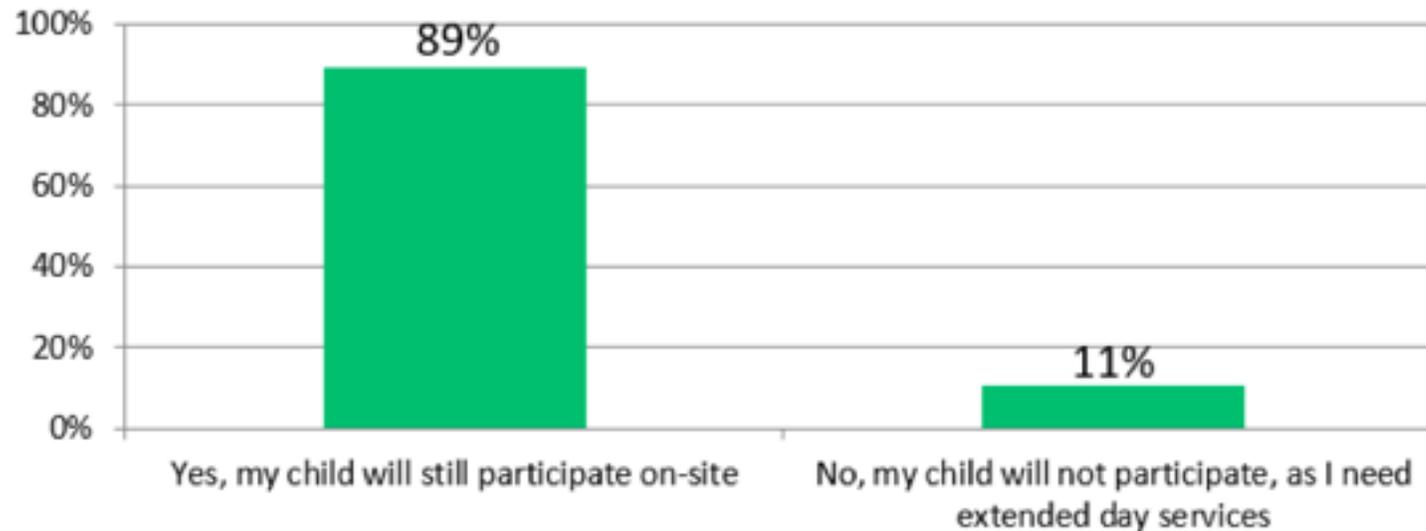
Families who answered no or unsure to returning to MCDC, why?





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If extended day services (before and aftercare) are not offered in the 2020-21 School Year, will your child still participate on-site?



KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE DURING COVID



CDC Center for Disease Control

OHS Office of Head Start

NJOOL New Jersey Office of Licensing

 **NJ Governor Murphy**

 **Partnering School Districts**

 **MCDC Governing Bodies**

 **Parents**

 **MCDC Staff**

2020-21 School Re-opening Plan





In Classroom Learning

If we are able to open, we plan to open most classrooms on Tuesday, September 8th





Hours of Operation

272 Baldwin Street (Glen Ridge) — All classrooms will be onsite Monday to Thursday from 8:15 to 3:00 pm and Friday virtual learning.

33 Fulton Street (Montclair) — All classrooms will be onsite Monday to Thursday from 8:15 to 3:00 pm and Friday virtual learning.

261 William Street (Orange) — We are working in collaboration with the Orange Board of Education to finalize a plan for our preschool classrooms. Early Head Start classrooms will be in session Monday to Thursday onsite 8:15 to 3:00 pm and Friday virtual learning.

Home-based Services Early Head Start Services – Home visit will be conducted in home and/or virtually and socialization will continue virtually.



New Partnership

229 Main Street, Belleville

New Construction for a 6-classroom school owned and operated by the Belleville Board of Education.

MCDC will occupy one (1) classroom in partnership with the Belleville Board of Education.

The classroom will be onsite A/B days (group A onsite Monday/Wednesday & group B onsite Tuesday/Thursday)

The school day will begin at 8:55 or 9:15 am and conclude 1:50 or 2:10 pm depending on assigned group.

Friday virtual learning for all students.





Blended Learning Model

Pre-K students will engage in Blended Learning which is an instructional design that reflects Personalized Learning, and gives students much more ownership over their learning. We will adapt our use of the high scope curriculum and other learning methods to ensure your child is engaged and learning.

Blended Learning has three parts: an online platform, tasks, and projects.

With the online platform, students spend approximately 30-minutes a day on an adaptive, interactive platform that teaches reading, math, and Social-Emotional skills.

EHS will learn, grow and develop with an adaptive blended learning model, as well inclusive of at home learning in the event we are virtual.

Additional information including technology and training support will be provided during parent orientation in August.



Virtual Learning Component

We will offer a choice of an exclusive virtual learning option (5 days a week).

Education learning supplies, activities, etc will be supplied for parents to use to engage their children in learning.

Workshops will be offered regularly to parents to better prepare them for virtual learning.



Gross Motor Skills

Students will continue to engage in gross motor skills in the playgrounds, gym, and classrooms.

Only one classroom at a time will be permitted on the playground or gym. Sanitization will occur between classes.

Children will be required to wash their hands before and after playground use.

Students will be encouraged to maintain physical distancing of 6 feet.



Meals

MCDC will continue to supply meals during the school day.

No outside food is permitted onsite.

Family-style service is temporarily suspended. Students will receive their own pre-plated meal.

We encourage parents to engage in family-style meals at home which help build critical life skills.



Class Size

In EHS we will phase in enrollment in our infant class starting with returning students and 2 teachers. Toddler classrooms will have 2 Teachers and 8 Students.

Head Start classrooms at Baldwin and Fulton will have up to 10 students per class on site with a Teacher and an Assistant Teacher. With this scenario 5 students can participate virtually per class. Class total 15 students. Virtually only option will be available.

The Belleville classroom 15 Students served onsite with a Teacher and two (2) Assistant Teachers.

Plans have not been finalized for the preschool classrooms at William Street (Orange).



No Extended Day Services

Due to the complexity of COVID-19, we will be unable to offer extended day services (i.e., paid services before 8:15 am and after 3:00 pm) at the current time.

We will reassess the situation in January (and after) and determine if we can safely begin offering the services at some point in 2021.



Student Safety

Student Drop off Changes

Doors will be marked for entry. Each family will be provided with a window of time for entry.

During drop off a team member will take your child's temperature using a no contact thermometer and ask you a few questions to determine if you or your child may have been exposed to COVID.

Screening is the most effective method to conduct daily health checks.

If your child has a temperature of 100.4 degrees and above, is exhibiting difficulty breathing, is coughing, and/or if you or your child have been exposed to COVID we can not accept your child into school.

Once this is done, your child will be escorted to the building to wash their hands and taken to the classroom.



Student Safety

Student Pick up Changes

Doors will be marked for dismissal. Each family will be provided with a window of time for dismissal.

A team member will escort your child to the door for you to receive them at a designated time.

Please note: while students are in session, no one except staff and other officials (such as the Office of Head Start, State of NJ, Local Health Department Officials, etc.) are permitted to enter the school. Parents and visitors are not allowed to enter the building while students are present.



Student Safety

If a child becomes ill during the school day:

We have supervised specially designated locations in each site to isolate a sick child to ensure they are supported while preventing other students from becoming ill.

We ask parents to pick-up their child at the front entrance of your school. Please call upon arrival and wait at the door, and your child will be escorted to you.

Poll Time





Personal Protective Equipment

All staff is required to wear face masks while at school unless they have a documented medical condition.





Personal Protective Equipment

Students over the age of 2 years old are encouraged to wear face masks (subject to guidance changes).

Students 24 months and younger will not wear face masks.

MCDC will provide all students with washable face masks.



Social Distancing and Other Precautions include:

Additional cleaning during the school day and intense cleaning each night

6-foot zones are indicated throughout our schools including classrooms

Individual school supplies will be given to each child (for example: crayons, play dough, etc.)

Windows will be routinely opened to allow air circulation

Hugging will be done via AIR HUGS only



Suggestions to Prepare your Child for School

Families can begin to prepare their children for the transition back to school by previewing, practicing routines, and reassuring children that they will be safe.

Previewing: School may look very different as children return to centers.

Be prepared to talk to your child about some of the changes that may happen (e.g., “When you go back to school I won’t be able to walk to your classroom. We will say goodbye in front of the school,” “When you go back to school your teacher and classmates will be wearing masks just like you. These masks help to keep everyone safe and healthy from germs.”).



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Practicing School Day Routines: Think about starting to practice waking up with enough time to get ready and get to school on time.

If bedtime has been creeping later and later, now is a great time to practice going to bed earlier in preparation for school. You can start a countdown to September 8th (e.g., Make a calendar and start crossing off the days until school starts).



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Reassuring: You or your child may be feeling anxious about returning to school, let them know it's ok to feel nervous, remind them of the fun they have at school (e.g., What are you looking forward to the most when you go back to school? Who are you excited to see?)

Remind them that the important adults in their life will always do their best to keep them healthy and safe (e.g., We are all going to wear masks now to keep you safe, your classmates safe, and teachers safe). Plan ahead with your child on how you will say goodbye the first day of school (e.g., secret handshake, 10 hugs and kisses, waving from the door).

Remember, children are in tune with your feelings. The calmer and more positive you are feeling about going back to school, the better they will feel about it.



Changing Times

This is a dynamic event and we are learning new things each day. It is our highest priority to keep everyone healthy and safe.

We thank you entrusting us with your child. It continues to be a privilege to serve our community.

Last Poll





Questions?

Please enter your question in the question and answer box.

We will try to answer as many as possible in this session. If your question was not answered during this time, we will e-mail the answers to unanswered questions to all attendees after this session.

Thank
you

