

Hello Parents,

I hope you had a wonderful mid-winter break.

This Thursday, February 25, we will begin in-person instruction at the middle school in a hybrid model (see below). We are planning for the high school to follow with the same schedule soon, and more information regarding this date will be sent shortly.

We have been working hard to prepare the secondary campus for in-person instruction. In consideration of CDC and county health department guidelines, the following COVID-19 mitigation strategies will be implemented:

1. Promote behaviors that reduce the spread of COVID-19
 - a. Masks are required to be worn at all times.
 - b. A 6 ft physical distance is required. Desks have been placed accordingly and some classes have been moved to a different location to satisfy the spacing need.
 - c. Regular hand washing is required. As students enter each classroom, they will be washing their hands with soap and water and/or hand sanitizer.
 - d. Students with any COVID-19 symptoms are not to attend school. A weekly attestation is required and a wellness screening (including a temperature check) will take place each day as students enter the building. If students get sick during the school day, they will wait in the isolation area until they can return home.
2. Maintain a healthy environment
 - a. Regular Cleaning will take place.
 - i. Additional custodial support has been hired. Desks and other frequently touched surfaces will be cleaned between classes. An electrostatic sprayer will use EPA approved disinfectants to clean the buildings between cohorts. Buses will be cleaned between cohorts as well.
 - b. Building ventilation has been improved.
 - i. The ventilation system has been adjusted to increase the outside/inside air exchange to four times per hour.
 - ii. Air filters have been replaced with the best possible filters our system can handle.
 - iii. Classroom windows will be open to increase air flow.
 - iv. Portable high-efficiency particulate air (HEPA) purifiers have been purchased for the spaces within the building without windows.
 - v. Outside classroom spaces have been created.
3. Plan for someone with COVID-19
 - a. If someone begins to show COVID-19 symptoms at school, they will be isolated until they are able to return home.
 - b. Anyone diagnosed with COVID-19 will not return to school until cleared by the local health department.
 - c. Anyone who has been a close contact (within 6 feet for a cumulative total of 15 minutes or more over a period of 24 hours) will not return to school until cleared by the local health department.
 - d. If/when a person within the school is diagnosed with COVID-19, we will work with local health officials on a case-by-case basis to determine the next steps required to keep everyone within the school safe.

These COVID-19 mitigation strategies highlight our general plan. A more detailed plan has been sent to middle school parents and will be sent shortly to high school parents. As mentioned before, we continue to seek guidance from national and local health departments to establish the safest possible environment here at school

for your students. Ultimately, this is a team effort. Please take the time to go over these plans with your students to ensure they know the importance each of them plays in the success of returning to school in person.

Finally, I understand that there are unique circumstances within the homes of some of our students that require the continuation of remote learning. We are committed to providing this ongoing remote support during this time of change back to in-person instruction for all. More information will be coming soon regarding the specifics for remote learning.

Thank you for your partnership as we take these next steps forward with both optimism and due diligence. We look forward to seeing your students back in the classroom!

2021 Hybrid Schedule							
		Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	
Period 1/4	8:15 - 9:07	Cohort A 1,2,3	Cohort A 4,5,6	Advisory 8:15 - 8:45	Cohort A 1,2,3	Cohort A 4,5,6	
7 min break							
Period 2/5	9:14 - 10:06						
7 min break							
Period 3/6	10:13 - 11:05			<u>No Classes - Asynchronous Learning</u>			
Break	11:05 -12:05						
Period 1/4	12:05 - 12:57	Cohort B 1,2,3	Cohort B 4,5,6			Cohort B 1,2,3	Cohort B 4,5,6
7 min break							
Period 2/5	1:04 - 1:56						
7 min break							
Period 3/6	2:03 - 2:55						