

Good morning parents,

As you know, BCPS schools will begin a phased-in reopening. We will welcome our first students back on March 1. As shared with you, the students who are returning to the schoolhouse was determined by your survey responses compiled in the last few months. Several of you have chosen the hybrid learning setting for your children. I just wanted to take a moment to share some of the guidelines we will be adhering to while in the school building to assure everyone's safety. Most importantly, masks are mandatory at all times.

1. Students will be assigned a cohort by home address and will attend class in the building 2 days a week and will be home learning virtually for 3 days a week. Wednesdays will remain the same. Splitting the class into cohorts A and B allows for social distancing. Current survey results show classes averaging 4 students.
2. Students will continue to receive instruction on their device (that they will need to carry back and forth) so that the teacher can provide instruction for the virtual and hybrid group at the same time.
3. Students will not be sharing materials or playing on the playground. Movement will be limited to maintain social distancing. Students will be provided a bagged breakfast and lunch, no snacks available. Water fountains will be not used.
4. From March 1-12, schedules will be adjusted for PreK-grade 2 students. Kindergarten through 2nd grade will have a 2-hour early dismissal each day and PreK students will have an extended day being dismissed with the rest of the students receiving hybrid instruction. Schedules will then return to our 2019-2020 schoolwide schedule beginning March 15.

Attached you will find information and a schedule provided by BCPS to support you in making a decision about your child's education. Please read it carefully and refer to the BCPS Reopening Plan found at www.bcps.org As we receive additional information, we plan to have a Parent Meeting soon to address any questions and concerns.

Thank you for your unending patience and understanding and support and we all navigate through this historical time in which we are living.

My best to you and yours

Stay positive, Test negative. 😊

Mrs. Roberts