P.S. 221
School Reopening Updates and Sharing

September 3, 2020

Important Dates:

- September 16-18th – Remote Instruction for all students
- September 21st – Building reopens for in-person Blended Learning students
- We will provide all students with the information for their Google Classrooms through class email blasts and postings on our website.

COVID-19 Testing Updates

- Prioritized access to testing will be available to students, teachers, and DOE school-based staff at 34 sites across the city.

- Beginning in October, there will be monthly random testing of 10-20% of students and staff at school. Families will be asked to sign a consent form at the start of the year for their child to participate at random, and be notified ahead of time if their child has been selected for the month.

Health and Safety

- Wellness barriers are installed at our safety desk and in the main office.
- PPE that has been delivered to our school include masks, signage, thermometers, hand sanitizer dispensers, and hand sanitizers (large and small containers).
- Our windows are all operational.
- The air conditioner filters have been cleaned.
- Ventilation – we have exhaust fans on our roof which pull air from the building.

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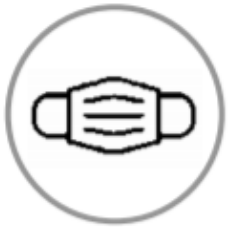
A PROMOTING BEHAVIORS THAT REDUCE SPREAD

Physical Distancing

Strongly Recommend all people in schools to remain at least 6 feet apart and create conditions for compliance.



Wear a Face Covering

Require face coverings while inside buildings.

Exceptions will be developmentally appropriate and will be paired with heightened PPE for staff.

Provide disposable face coverings to students and staff.

Keep Hands Clean

Provide increased access and multiple opportunities to wash hands or use hand sanitizer.

Signage and Floor Markings

Ensure schools have adequate signage that upholds the DOHMH Four Core Actions for Prevention.

Teaching and Learning

- Our 221 staff will be welcoming back and engaging all students in their Google Classrooms beginning on September 16th.
- All families participating in Blended Learning should have received a letter with cohort information for their child. If you did not receive a letter, please reach out to Mrs. Kirchhofer.
- Information on your child's remote class is forthcoming.
- Supply lists were emailed and are also posted on our website.

Curriculum Programs

- ELA – Into Reading
- Math – Into Math
- Social Studies – Passport
- Science - Amplify

Schedule: Opting into Blended Learning

Date	Task
First Day of School – November 13	Quarter 1
October 26 – 30	Blended Learning Opt-In Window for Quarter 2
Week of November 2	Schools program students newly opted in to Blended Learning
Week of November 9	Schools inform students newly opted in to Blended Learning of their schedule
Monday, November 16	Quarter 2 Begins
November 16 – January 29	Quarter 2
January 11 – 15	Blended Learning Opt-In Window for Quarter 3
Week of January 18	Schools program students newly opted in to Blended Learning
Week of January 25	Schools inform students newly opted in to Blended Learning of their schedule
February 1	Quarter 3 Begins
February 1 – April 16	Quarter 3
March 22 – 26	Blended Learning Opt-In Window for Quarter 4
March 29 – April 2	Schools program students newly opted in to Blended Learning
Week of April 5 OR April 12	Schools inform students newly opted in to Blended Learning of their schedule
April 19	Quarter 4 Begins
April 19 – June 25	Quarter 4

“One of the secrets of life is that all that is really worth the doing is what we do for others.”

-Lewis Carroll