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## RETURN TO SCHOOL PLAN 2020-2021

August 5, 2020

Dear Parents and Caregivers:

We look forward to welcoming our students in September, even though the typical school environment will look and feel different. In order to formulate a plan for returning to school, we have received input from many parents, students, and staff members, in addition to the guidance from the New Jersey Department of Education's [The Road Back](#).

We will make every effort to mitigate the potential of anyone falling ill to the COVID-19 virus. We have presented our [Return to School Plan](#) (Click the Link to view the presentation) to the Board of Education and it was approved on July 30, 2020. We encourage you to read our plan, including the FAQ.

We recognize the importance of in-person learning for students. The pandemic has forced our student population to learn in a virtual environment for which they were not prepared. Although everyone took it in stride and worked very hard to continue learning, we know it is not the best way for students to learn content. As a result, we have been working diligently at developing a Return to School Plan that includes in-person instruction. The plan is a Hybrid of "in-person", "live remote lessons" and "virtual on-your-own" learning. We will not be following our previous rotating schedule and, therefore, there will not be a Common Lunch.

### STUDENT SCHEDULING

We will be cohorting students as efficiently as possible to allow for social distancing, safety, and deep cleaning of our schools. Class sizes will be limited to allow for safety while also providing in-person, in-depth instruction. We will not be following a rotating schedule and there will be no common lunch as has been in the past.

Some parents and students may opt for remote learning only. Although this option is not ideal for delivery of content, that option will be available. Information on how to opt for online only will be available on our website or at this survey link.

1. For those returning to school, there will be four cohorts. These cohorts will be Green (Monday), Orange (Tuesday), Red (Thursday) and Yellow (Friday). All students and staff will be required to wear a face mask at all times. Lunch will be 25 minutes. Students will eat in their 4<sup>th</sup> period class. Lunches will be available for purchase as well. Orders will be taken during first period. Every effort will be made for students to eat outside when the weather permits.
2. Schools will be closed on Wednesday for deep cleaning... however, ALL students will be learning via "live remote lessons" with their teachers on Wednesday. Students will log into their classes following a specific bell schedule on Wednesdays where their teachers will deliver content and be able to answer questions.
3. Students will have "on-their-own" lessons provided by teachers for the other three days they are not in school.

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## This table explains the structure...

Cohort	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Green</b>	<b>IN PERSON</b>	Remote	<b>All Students log into each of their classes LIVE with their teacher following the Wednesday Bell Schedule</b>	Remote	Remote
<b>Orange</b>	Remote	<b>IN PERSON</b>		Remote	Remote
<b>Red</b>	Remote	Remote		<b>IN PERSON</b>	Remote
<b>Yellow</b>	Remote	Remote		Remote	<b>IN PERSON</b>
<b>SCMD &amp; ELL *</b>	<b>IN PERSON</b>	<b>IN PERSON</b>		<b>IN PERSON</b>	<b>IN PERSON</b>
<b>SCBD A *</b>	<b>IN PERSON</b>	<b>IN PERSON</b>		Remote	Remote
<b>SCBD B *</b>	Remote	Remote		<b>IN PERSON</b>	<b>IN PERSON</b>

\* Students with Special Needs

NOTE: **IN-PERSON** lessons are 40 minutes for each class.

**Remote lessons** are 20 minutes each (total of 60 minutes per week)

**LIVE remote lessons Wednesdays** are 30 minutes each following the Bell Schedule on the next page

<b>IN PERSON BELL SCHEDULE</b>	
Period 1	7:25 am - 7:45 am ANNOUNCEMENTS
	7:45 am - 8:25 am
Period 2	8:29 am - 9:09 am
Period 3	9:13 am - 9:53 am
Period 4 & Lunch	9:57 am - 11:02 am LUNCH A: 9:57 - 10:22 am * LUNCH B: 10:37 - 11:02 am *
Period 5	11:06 am - 11:46 am
Period 6	11:50 am - 12:30 pm
Period 7	12:34 pm - 1:14 pm
Period 8	1:18 pm - 1:58 pm

\* Your school principal will communicate to you what LUNCH GROUP you are in once we start school.

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LIVE Remote Wednesday Bell Schedule	
Period 1	8:00 am – 8:30 am
Period 2	8:35 am – 9:05 am
Period 3	9:10 am – 9:40 am
Period 4	9:45 am – 10:15 am
BREAK 30 MINUTES	BREAK 30 MINUTES
Period 5	10:45 am – 11:15 am
Period 6	11:20 am – 11:50 am
Period 7	11:55 am – 12:25 pm
Period 8	12:30 pm – 1:00 pm

Also, please note the following...

- The calendar has changed for Semester One. Please see our website for changes.
- Most importantly, students will only report to school on their designated Cohort Day
- [Click here for the School Calendar with Cohort Dates](#)

## Schedule for the first time in school...

Cohort GREEN	Thursday, September 3rd *
Cohort ORANGE	Tuesday, September 8th
Cohort RED	Thursday, September 10th
Cohort YELLOW	Friday, September 11th
SCMD & ELL	Thursday, September 3rd
SCBD A	Thursday, September 3rd
SCBD B	Thursday, September 10th

\* Due to Labor Day being on a Monday. The Green Cohort will report on Mondays beginning September 14th

### STUDENT GROUP (COHORTS)

Cohort groups (student groups) for the school days students will be reporting to the physical school building for in-person learning have been assigned. This will also dictate the school days where students will be learning remotely. The groups are determined by alpha arrangements by grade level and we will accommodate student cohort assignments within the same household (within BHPRSD) so that they can attend school on the same days. If your children are not in the same cohort, please contact your child's vice principal's office. We will not be able to accommodate any other parental requests for a specific day/group as the placement is based on alpha arrangement in coordination with appropriate spacing in each course or classroom. Students and parents can find their cohort by logging into Parent Access... **acknowledging all of your forms** and then go to the "Summary" tab. You will see your assigned cohort under your Picture.

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## REMOTE LEARNING ONLY OPTION

Parents can request a remote learning only option. You can do so at this link: [Remote Learning Only](#)  
Parents have the option to select a Remote Learning Only Option at any point during the school year. Even if you selected the Remote Learning Only Option, parents will have the ability to switch back to in-person learning, but only at the beginning of the next marking period. Due to the complexity of scheduling and maintaining social distancing, any requests to return to in-person instruction will require a two week (10-day) notice. If a Remote Learning Only Option is not taken, the District will assume your child(ren) will be attending in-person learning. The Remote Learning Only application will remain on our website.

## TRANSPORTATION

Transporting students to and from school has also been challenging. The majority of our students are bused to school by a private vendor or contracted public entity. We have been in contact with those providers to make sure they are following the New Jersey Department of Education’s guidelines and with the New Jersey Department of Health’s guidance. The “minimum standard” of 22 students on a 54-passenger bus with required face masks for the duration of the route will be the expectation. The buses will be sanitized at a minimum of every day. The buses will load back to front and unload front to back. Bus windows will be open when the weather permits to allow for additional air circulation. If you do not want your child to be transported to school via our transportation services, please let us know here: [Transportation Survey](#) Once you indicate you do not wish for your child to use transportation services, there is no opportunity to request those services at another point in the school year.

## IMPORTANT DATES

August 14, 2020 - [Remote Learning Only application due](#). After that date, in order to choose the Remote Learning Only Option, please contact your child’s vice-principal’s office.

August 14, 2020 - Will you be sending your child to school on a bus? Survey link due. [Transportation Survey](#) due

September 1, 2020 - All staff report for the first day of school.

## EMAIL US YOUR QUESTIONS

We have an email account for specific questions regarding our Return to School Plan. Questions can be sent to [askboe@bhprsd.org](mailto:askboe@bhprsd.org).

We are committed to keeping you informed about the Re-Opening of Schools and thank you for your patience, input, and questions.. Please continue to check our website for updates: [www.bhprsd.org](http://www.bhprsd.org) **You can find all of this information, including the surveys on our District website.**

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