WE Return to Learn Updates
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June 8, 2021
WE Return to Learn – The Basis of the Plan – District Mission Statement

WE shall provide all children with an education that develops open-minded thinkers with the strong academic and interpersonal skills to thrive in an ever-changing world and make it a better place for all.
WE Return to Learn – BOE Strategic Goals

Building upon our strong foundations of academic excellence, inclusion, voice, and cultural proficiency, we will:

**Student Wellness**
Create frameworks of learning and supports for all students to develop the skills needed for social and emotional wellness.

**Purpose & Passion**
Develop highly engaging learner-centered experiences within an environment that promotes voice, choice, and passion for learning.

**Connecting Beyond Our Classrooms**
Provide resources, opportunities, and experiences for our students to connect to the world beyond their classrooms and to become informed and empathetic agents of change in the world.
What WE know as of June 8, 2021
WE know that the health and safety of our students and staff is our first priority.
We know that our students and staff are the most important part of who we are as a community.
WE know that public education will never look the same as it did before March 16, 2020.
WE know that information released by, and recommendations from, the state and federal government is fluid and ever-evolving & changing, often on consecutive days.
WE know that the prescribed health & safety guidelines, as outlined by the New Jersey & Camden County Departments of Health (NJDOH/CCDOH), are designed to mitigate risk.
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Information for the 2021-2022 Academic Year

● Masks
● Structure & Process
● School Times
● Meals & Recess
● Health/PE & Music
● Transportation - Buses, Walkers, Drop Off
● Extracurricular & Athletics - Summer & During the Academic Year
● Field Trips (including Mt. Misery) - to be determined
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Structure for the 2021-2022 Academic Year

● Special Education
● English Language Learners
● Compensatory Education
● School Aged Child Care (SACC)
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- **As of June 8, 2021**

- The Wearing of Masks that cover the nose and mouth
  - By any adult in the building
    - At all times, unless in a room alone
  - By students
    - On buses
    - In the hallway
    - In the cafeteria/APR
    - Going to, and in, the restroom
    - In classrooms
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• Structure & Process
  • Arrival and Dismissal
    • At home screening for any symptoms of illness
      • Including a body temperature at/above 100.4 degrees
  • Hand Sanitizer and wipes will be available in all classrooms, large spaces and at facility entrances
  • Tri-fold plastic dividers will be available for students/families who request them
• Traffic Flow in schools
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- Structure & Process
  - Limited Visitors, including
    - PTA, Art Goes to School, Bookmates, Assemblies
    - Meetings (IEP/504/I&RS/Discipline/Attendance/Guidance/Conferences) will be held virtually and in person, depending on the need of the family
  - More information will be shared in August 2021
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- Use of Facilities
  - Outside groups may request use of indoor District facilities, after school hours, beginning September 1, 2021.
  - Information on how to request use of the facilities may be found on the district website, at this link: www.chclc.org/domain/995
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MEALS and RECESS
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- Students will eat lunch in school
  - Each level has designated lunch periods
    - Assigned meal times will be staggered at the elementary and middle school levels to maximize COVID mitigation
  - Lunch location options:
    - in cafeteria / APR
    - outdoors - elementary canopies
    - in classrooms
    - designated building locations - e.g. the Annex at HS East
Meals will continue to be provided free to all students

- Meals will be distributed at designated breakfast and lunch times in school
- The District will continue to work with Aramark to determine meal selection (bagged, hot, fresh fruits and vegetables)
- Building-specific information about lunches will be sent out to families in August 2021
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● Cafeteria and Recess Educational Assistant Positions
  ○ The positions will be posted soon!
  ○ Looking for interested candidates!!

● Based on NJDOE / CCDOH guidelines - Children will be allowed to use the playground equipment at the Early Childhood Center and the Elementary Schools
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HEALTH / PE & MUSIC
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Health & Physical Education

- Teachers will utilize outside spaces as often as possible
- Students will be reminded to dress appropriately for the weather
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Music

● Instrumental music and vocal music will resume in a more traditional format in September 2021
  ○ Teachers are eagerly looking forward to in person music classes
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TRANSPORTATION
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• Transportation
  • Regular bus routes will continue to be provided
  • Bus driver will wear a mask
  • Students must wear a mask at the bus stop and at all times on the bus
  • All students will be assigned seats and must remain in the assigned seats for the duration of the trip
    ■ Anyone living in the same home who attend the same school will be seated together on the bus
  • High touch areas will be sanitized in between routes
  • Buses will be cleaned each night
EXTRACURRICULAR AND ATHLETICS
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- Extracurricular Activities - Summer & During the Academic Year
- Registration for Fall 2021 begins on June 15th for high school & middle school activities
  - Messages will be sent to families via Blackboard
- Information about start dates will come directly from the advisors/schools
  - If there are questions, please contact the building principal
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- **Athletics - Summer & During the Academic Year**
- **Registration for Fall 2021** begins on June 15th for high school & middle school sports
  - Messages will be sent to families via Blackboard
- **As of June 8, 2021** - there aren’t any special COVID protocols required by the NJSIAA
- **Fall start dates**
  - Football - August 9th
  - All other high school sports - August 16
  - All middle school sports - September 14
- **If there are questions, please contact Mr. Beirao, the Director of Athletics**
FIELD TRIPS
Field Trips will be evaluated on an individual basis

- And by level (elementary, middle, high school)
- Final Determination will be made based on public health status and any mitigation requirements
- No determination has been made regarding Mt. Misery for the incoming 6th grade, current 6th grade, and rising 8th graders, from Carusi, who did not attend
- Protocols Mt. Misery must follow
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Special Education

English Language Learners

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Compensatory Education
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• Special Education and ELL Students
  • Students who are eligible for special education and related services will fully participate
• This includes students in special classes:
  • Behavioral and Emotional Support
  • Learning and Language Disabled
  • Autistic Support
  • Multiply Disabled
  • Alternative High School
• ELL – all students in grades K-12 will attend in person
Compensatory Education for Students with Disabilities

- Compensatory education for services missed during the pandemic
- Goal of compensatory education is to remedy knowledge and skill deficits, and ensure the student has the opportunity to achieve goals and objectives
- Need for compensatory education will be assessed on an individual basis by the IEP team
- Compensatory education is not determined at a 1:1 ratio when calculating the amount of services to be provided
Compensatory Education for Students with Disabilities

- The IEP team determines the need, type, amount, frequency, duration, and location of compensatory education necessary to address lack of progress toward IEP goals and objectives resulting from missed services.
- The IEP team will review the student’s status, skill and progress.
- The IEP team will propose compensatory educational services if required.
- Child Study Team Case Managers can address individual questions.
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School Aged Child Care
SACC
School Aged Child Care (SACC)

- SACC will be operational, but spots may be limited
- Registration closed June 1st
  - Confirmation emails of acceptance and payment information will be emailed by June 30th
  - Families are being taken off the waitlist at this time.
- Spots are filled on a first come, first served basis
- Holiday SACC will be held on most days the schools are closed from 7:00am-6:00pm.
The Road Back – Presentations to the Board of Education

• June 8, 2021
• July 13, 2021
• July 27, 2021
• August 10, 2021
• August 24, 2021