

RES Family Update

November 16, 2020

Please complete the Questionnaire immediately if you have not to help us plan for Grades 4 & 5 returning to school

[Questionnaire Link for 4th, 5th, 6th and 9th Grade Students](#)

Good evening 4th and 5th grade families.

Based on current conditions, Caroline County Public Schools is planning to bring 4th, 5th, 6th, and 9th grade students back to school buildings on an AA/BB schedule.

AA Schedule students will begin on Monday, November 30.

BB Schedule students will begin on Thursday, December 3.

Schedule Details:

Students on the AA Schedule (begins November 30):

- Monday and Tuesday in the building for in-person instruction.
- Wednesday at home for an asynchronous day (same as current schedule).
- Thursday and Friday at home for synchronous virtual learning (same as current schedule).

Students on the BB Schedule (begins December 3):

- Monday and Tuesday at home for synchronous virtual learning (same as current schedule).
- Wednesday at home for an asynchronous day (same as current schedule).
- Thursday and Friday in the building for in-person instruction.

Students in these grades who have already been attending four days a week will continue to come on those days - Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.

Students who remain at home for virtual learning will not experience any change to their schedule.

Please note:

- Families will not be able to choose an AA or BB schedule. Students will be assigned to a schedule based on bus routes.
- Families will be advised by the school of their student's schedule (AA Nov. 30, or BB Dec. 3) no later than November 23.
- Transportation will be provided. However, because of social distancing, transportation is a challenge. Please consider if you have an option other than using CCPS transportation.
- Face coverings are required for all students ages 5 and over.
- Protocols for preventing the spread of COVID-19 through cleaning, self-assessment, and social distancing are detailed in the CCPS Recovery Plan.

CCPS needs to know how many students will be returning to the building and how many will require

transportation.

2nd Quarter Materials available in the front office

2nd Quarter Instructional Materials are currently available for students that are learning virtually. If you were unable to pick these materials up on our distribution day, please call the front office to set up a time to pick up the materials during the school day. Students that are coming to school including those in grade 3, your materials will be provided to you when you come to school.

Specials Schedule for Quarter 2 begin Monday, November 16

In order for all students to have each special area during the year, we must change the specials schedule each quarter. On Monday, November 16, specialists schedules will change for the 2nd Quarter. Please refer to the link below to see what day you child will have Music, Art, PE, Media, and/or Choice Day.

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1NqDzFjy-N-CvsyGi5lly_lqoLjIGMoWoa1vhjq3vae0/edit?usp=sharing

Calendar:

November 16

American Education Week begins
Specials schedule change for the 2nd Quarter

November 17

Report Cards Distributed/Mailed
Board Work Session - 6:00 PM

November 18

No School for all students- Conference day

November 19

No School for Pre-k students - Pre-k conference Day

November 25 - 29

Thanksgiving Break

November 30

AA Schedule students in grades 4 & 5 begin in-school learning

December 1

Board Meeting - 6:00 PM

December 3

BB Schedule students in grades 4 & 5 begin in-school learning

December 23

Early Dismissal for students

Q2 Interim Reports distributed/mailed

December 24 - January 3

Winter Break - Schools Closed

Inclement Weather:

In the event of a future inclement weather delayed opening occurring on a scheduled half day of school, all students will remain at home for an asynchronous learning day. Assignments will be posted on Google Classroom by 9:00 am. Students lacking connectivity at home will download assignments prior to leaving school or be provided assignments upon their return to the school building.

Keeping you iPad and Laptop protected and working properly...

Listed below are some helpful tips for keeping your iPad protected and working properly. Please remember that these are school issued and owned. Treat them with care.

- Keep your iPad in its school issued protective case at all times. If you need to take it out to take a photograph, please do so carefully. Do not walk around with it and put the case back on as soon as you are finished with it.
- Carry your iPad with two hands.
- Keep your iPad away from liquids or foods.
- Handle your iPad only when your hands are clean.
- When placing your iPad on a table or desk, make sure that the iPad is positioned so that it is completely on the table.
- Exercise care when inserting and removing cords and cables from your iPad. **DO NOT YANK THE CHARGERS OUT!**
- Place your iPad carefully in your backpack. Make sure there are no liquids or heavy objects in the backpack.
- Never sit on or throw a backpack that contains an iPad.
- Avoid putting pressure on the iPad screen.
- Avoid leaving your iPad in a vehicle.
- Keep your iPad away from extreme temperatures, direct sunlight or ultraviolet light for extended periods of time.
- Shutdown your iPad at least once a week. (Every night would be preferable.)
- Close out Chrome/Safari tabs after use.
- Close out apps after use.

Listed below are some helpful tips for keeping your laptop protected and working properly. Please remember that these are school issued and owned. Treat them with care.

- Put your laptop away, in the school-issued carrying case, when you're not using it
- Don't eat or drink near your laptop
- Don't pile things on top of your laptop
- Don't carry your laptop by the screen
- Carry with two hands on the base of your laptop
- Be gentle with the ports. (**DO NOT YANK CORDS OUT OF THE PORTS!**)
- Be aware of overheating (Try not to cover the vents on the bottom)
- Do not leave your laptop in a car
- Keep your laptop away from extreme temperatures, moisture, direct sunlight or ultraviolet light, or

Positive Case Report...

In these difficult times, it's easy for misinformation to spread. The goal of CCPS is to ensure communication protocols are thorough and transparent, while protecting employee and student privacy. Please remember that we do have a process for advising those identified as close contacts of a person testing positive. These notifications are followed by an email that tells staff and families of a positive COVID-19 case in our building.

This communication process can be found on the CCPS website page [Positive Case Reports](#). This page also includes a weekly report, by building, of any positive cases reported among staff or students. Feel free to share this page with anyone needing accurate, verified information.

Learning at home tips...

Here are some reminders and tips for learning at home.

- Organize your materials each day.
- Choose a well lit place, a spot with some natural light can be helpful.
- Reduce any distracting noise.
- Think about your background, think about what's going to be behind you on video during zoom.
- Make a plan for breaks that includes getting away from your work area and getting in some movement and fresh air.
- Reach out to teachers, counselors, or administrators if you need help.
- Ask questions when you don't understand.
- Do your BEST!



Breakfast and Lunch Menu

You can find the weekly school breakfast and lunch menu on the CCPS website.

Technology Support:

Technology Support for students and parents. Please share with your families.

Phone: 410-479-1464

Email: support@ccpsstaff.org

LEARN ABOUT YOUR GOOGLE TOOLS! Join Lindsay Grow every Tuesday and Thursday @ 8:15 AM and 2:30 PM. Join the ZOOM with Mrs. Grow. Meeting ID: 752-625-1240.

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