

October 9, 2020

Dear Flemington-Raritan Regional School District Parents and Community Members,

We are so excited to welcome even more of our students back for in-person learning and support our families who have selected for their child to continue to learn in an all-remote learning environment. We continue to address challenges and circumstances due to COVID-19. I thank you for your understanding of the complications of all the challenges. I know juggling school schedules, working and home schedules, childcare, and children learning from home are all difficult and bumpy for families and students.

Beginning Monday, October 12, Cohort A students in Grades K-8 will report for in-person learning. Student schedules have been provided by the school. For questions about your child's school schedule, please contact your building principal.

Date	Grades	Cohort A	Cohort B
Week of October 12	K-8	In-Person	Remote Learning
Week of October 19	K-8	Remote Learning	In-Person
Week of October 26	K-8	In-Person	Remote Learning
Week of November 2	K-8	Remote Learning	In-Person
Week of November 9	K-8	In-Person	Remote Learning
Week of November 16	K-8	Remote Learning	In-Person
*** Parents who selected all-virtual instruction for their child will continue with all-remote learning.***			

Bus Times: Children who report to school for in-person learning will follow the school's early dismissal times for the start and end of the in-person learning day. Bus pick up and drop off times and locations have been communicated by the Transportation Department. Parents should adjust afternoon bus drop off times by approximately **two hours and 20 minutes** to account for the early dismissal schedule. For specific questions regarding your child's bus stop, contact the Transportation Department at 908-284-7154.

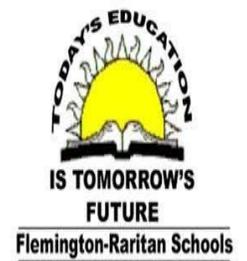
Daily Health Screening: Please complete the daily screening **each morning** prior to your child(ren) reporting to school for in-person learning. If a child arrives at school without a completed form, a parent will be contacted and the child will not be permitted to begin in-person learning. Instructions are noted below:

1. Log into the [Parent Portal](#); an alert will pop up, indicating that the Daily COVID Form is required.
2. Click on the "Daily COVID Form" to begin.
3. Answer all questions honestly and thoroughly.
4. When done, sign by selecting **"YES - Complete Form"** at the bottom of the form and **"Update Answers."**
5. Complete and submit the form for each child reporting to school for in-person learning.

Health & Safety Reminders: Please review the following:

- All staff, faculty, and students must wear a mask at all times while on campus and on the school bus. *(Enforcing the use of a mask may be impractical for children with disabilities or in the case where a mask inhibits the individual's health. Please speak with your school nurse if your child falls into this category.)*

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- A child who has a temperature of 100.4 degrees or higher will need to stay home from school. If a child has two or more symptoms of COVID-19, please contact your child's school nurse or your child's pediatrician to determine if your child can attend school or needs to stay home.
- As we continue to bring students back for in-person learning, please be mindful of travel plans between states. Governor Murphy continues to revise the travel advisory list. States that are on the travel advisory list advise all individuals entering New Jersey from states with a significant spread of COVID-19 to quarantine for 14-days after leaving the state. See the link [here](#) for New Jersey travel information.

Meal Distribution: - Free breakfasts and lunches are available to all students, those attending in-person and those attending remotely, through December 31, 2020. Meals are going home weekly to all families that need healthy, nutritious meals. The District is proud to support families with pre-packaged meals using the partnership of the New Jersey Department of Agriculture and Maschio's Food Services. Click [here](#) for details.

Childcare: - The District has cooperated with business organizations to provide wraparound services and child care support, including but not limited to the YMCA. This week the YMCA opened child care services at Copper Hill Elementary School. The District and the YMCA are prepared to begin child care services at Francis A. Desmares and Barley Sheaf Elementary for the week of October 19, 2020. The YMCA is closely monitoring enrollment of families for child care services at Robert Hunter Elementary School and Reading-Fleming Intermediate School. Child care service specific questions about start times, ending times, and availability should be directed to the Hunterdon County YMCA. Families that are interested in the YMCA child care services should contact Ms. Wendy Crocetti at (908) 483-4622. The YMCA follows all safety protocols: six-foot distancing is maintained, students and YMCA employees are masked at all times when on campus unless outside and socially distanced, students and employees are screened for COVID-19 symptoms before arrival, and the cleaning of high-frequency areas are maintained.

This month the four district task force reopening committees will reconvene to reflect on where we began and where we are going in education in Flemington-Raritan during a pandemic. The four district reopening task forces, 1) Operations and Governance, 2) Finance 3) Personnel and 4) Physical and Mental Health use the [Returning with Confidence School Reopening Plan](#) and the [New Jersey Road Back to Recovery](#) as guidance. Groups continue to have conversations with our teams in Flemington-Raritan, our school pandemic response teams, and our district reopening task forces to problem-solve for parents and support families and students during this unprecedented time.

My best to all of our families and my hope that you are all happy, safe, and healthy.

Wishing you well,

Dr. Kari McGann
Superintendent of Schools