

Safe Transition to In-Person Instruction-DRAFT

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TRANSITION STUDENTS TO FULL IN-PERSON INSTRUCTION

Initial Phase:

Work to introduce elementary students back to full time instruction adhering to 6 feet distancing:

K-2 Return on February 8th

3-5 Return on February 22nd

K-2 Classrooms

- EWS Kindergarten- 2 classes: 13 students per class
 Grade 1- 2 classes: 14 & 15 per class
 Grade 2- 2 classes: 14 & 15 per class
- GWS Kindergarten- 3 classes: 19 per class
 Grade 1- 4 classes: 15, 15, 15 & 14 per class
 Grade 2- 3 classes: 19, 19, 19 per class
- DWS **Kindergarten-** **2 classes: 20 & 21 per class**
 Grade 1- 2 classes: 17 & 18 per class
 Grade 2- 2 classes: 16 & 16 per class

K-2 Classrooms

- SRS Kindergarten- 3 classes: 16, 16 & 15 students per class
Grade 1- 3 classes: 15, 15 & 13 per class
Grade 2- 2 classes: 14 & 16 per class

- MES Kindergarten- 4 classes: 13, 13, 14 & 15 students per class
Grade 1- 4 classes: 15, 16, 16 & 17 per class
Grade 2- 3 classes: 15, 14 & 14 per class

Grade 3-5 Classrooms

- EWS Grade 3- 2 classes: 17 & 18 students per class
 Grade 4- **2 classes: 19 & 21 per class**
 Grade 5- 2 classes: 16 & 16 per class
- GWS Grade 3_ 3 classes: 16, 18 & 15 students per class
 Grade 4- 3 classes: 14, 15 & 16 per class
 Grade 5- 4 classes: 16, 16, 17 & 17 per class
- DWS Grade 3_ 3 classes: 16, 17 & 17 students per class
 Grade 4- 4 classes: 15, 16, 16 & 17 per class
 Grade 5- 3 classes: 16, 17 & 17 per class

Grade 3-5 Classrooms

- SRS Grade 3- 3 classes: 15, 15 & 14 students per class
 Grade 4- 3 classes: 18, 19 & 20 per class
 Grade 5- 3 classes: 13, 14 & 15 per class

- MES Grade 3- 3 classes: 18, 19 & 20 students per class
 Grade 4- **3 classes: 20, 20 & 21 per class**
 Grade 5- 3 classes: 14, 17 & 17 per class

Elementary Solutions

How do we feed all students?

- Continue use of classrooms and cafeterias at six feet distance
- Additional seating needed at Martinson Elementary

Elementary Solutions

How do we transport students?

- [Transportation Analysis](#)
- One start/end time with a longer pick up/drop off time frame
- Transportation provider to add/adjust routes to provide transportation for all students presently riding buses in hybrid model

Data on Covid Cases

● Grades K-2	18 cases	10.5 %
● Grades 3-5	34 cases	19.9 %
● Grades 6-8	52 cases	30.4 %
● Grades 9-12	67 cases	39.2%
<i>Total</i>	<i>171 cases</i>	<i>100%</i>

Data as of 1.18.21

Task Force Recommendations

- **Elementary:** Return all grades at targeted 6 feet distance full time, initially four days per week (remote half day Wednesday through time TBD) to meet changes in instructional time required by Dept. of Elementary and Secondary Education.
- **Middle School:** Return grades 6–8 in phased in approach, operating within state guidelines, while maintaining 6 feet distance for teachers, pending completion of action items.
- **High School:** Return all students, operating within state guidelines, while maintaining 6 feet distance for teachers. Date to be determined. **Starting transition with Senior Class.**

Language On Changing Distancing

- To start the school year, all classrooms will be set up to maintain the recommended 6 feet “seat to seat” distancing.
- If/when it is deemed appropriate to do so, with health official recommendations, the District will reduce the distance between seats.
- Within the hybrid model, the Committee will negotiate over any decision to reduce the distance between seats in advance.

Tentative Secondary Phase

- Grades 12 Transition to Fully In-Person: March 1
- Grades 6 Transition to Fully In-Person: March 15
- Grades 7-8 Transition to Fully In-Person: April 5
- Grade 9-11 Transition to Fully In-Person: April 12

What Needs to Be Addressed

- 6 Feet Distancing (CDC) vs. 3 Feet (DESE)
 - 15 per room at MHS on average (other than science)
 - 13-20 per room at FBMS
- Transportation - Middle School
- Lunch
- Distancing in halls
- Vaccinations

Middle School Solutions

How do we get all students back into school?

- [FBMS Enrollment/Classroom Analysis](#)
- Rescheduling for second semester to balance class sizes to meet state guidelines
- Targeted 6 feet distance for students
- 6 feet distance for teachers

Middle School Solutions

How do we feed all students?

- After results of rescheduling, final timing, location and student flow will be determined

Middle School Solutions

How do we transport students?

- [Transportation Analysis](#)
- In order to provide transportation for all students presently riding buses in hybrid model, implement two tier busing and drop-off/pickup by current cohort
- DESE: “Transportation guidance to be revised later in the spring after vaccine is out and incidence declines.”

High School Solutions

How do we get all students back into school?

- Operating within state guidelines, while maintaining 6 feet distance for teachers. Date to be determined.
 - Focus to be on returning Senior Class first, if possible.

High School Solutions

How do we feed all students?

- Adjust to earlier dismissal
- Lunch provided to students to take home at dismissal.

High School Solutions

How do we transport students?

- No transportation changes required with current students presently riding buses in hybrid model

Thank you!

Questions?

