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Middle School Return to In-Person Instruction Press Release

Currituck County Schools is excited to welcome back those middle school students who have elected to return to in-person instruction next week. As a reminder, middle schools may only operate under Plan B (a hybrid model) or Plan C (a 100% virtual model) under the Governor's current orders.

Friday, November 6th is now a teacher workday to allow staff time to prepare for transitioning students back into their classrooms. As such, there will be no school for students this Friday. Monday, November 9th will be an Orientation day for 6th grade students and any new students to the school. There will be no school for students on this day either. A detailed schedule about Orientation will be coming directly from each middle school.

In order to execute Plan B, our middle school populations had to be split into two cohorts. In order to create the most equitable split, the alphabet was split into the following cohorts:

COHORT A: LAST NAMES A-K

COHORT B: LAST NAMES L-Z

A detailed schedule of when each cohort reports for in-person instruction will be provided to parents by each middle school as well as shared on our district website and social media outlets.

For our middle school students who elected to remain 100% virtual, you will continue to remain in your same classes, assigned to your same teachers. The only change for virtual students will be the bell times. Virtual students will follow the same bell schedule as face-to-face students returning to each middle school, respectively. Virtual students and students in the COHORT who are not face-to-face will log into their google meets to join into the classroom where their peers who elected to return to in-person instruction will be, creating one whole class. Teachers will navigate both the in-person and virtual instruction. A sample schedule will be provided to students and parents to help understand what a week will look like.

Attendance has a direct correlation to academic success. Attendance will be taken each period for all students, those in-person and those who are virtual. Students who will be absent should communicate with their teacher in advance whenever possible.



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Bus routes for those students who registered will be posted Friday to our district website. Due to current restrictions only allowing 24 students per bus, we cannot guarantee any late registrations. If you need assistance with transportation requests, please email pwalls@currituck.k12.nc.us and jbrick@currituck.k12.nc.us.

Things to remember about the return to in-person instruction:

- All students and staff are required to wear a cloth face covering at all times.
- Before loading the bus or being dropped off, students must complete a health screening and temperature screening. (A temperature of 100.4 or greater means that a student may not load the bus or enter school.)
- Students are encouraged to bring a refillable water bottle to school.
- ALL STUDENTS may eat breakfast and lunch for free through the end of the school year!
- DO NOT send your child to school if they do not feel well. Err on the side of caution and allow them to join the google meets with their teacher from home until they are symptom free.
- Remind your child(ren) that 6ft social distancing is required under Plan B.

We look forward to a smooth transition back for our middle school students. If you have any questions, we encourage you to reach out directly to your child's school.