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## District Reopening Update

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Dear Tuckahoe Community,

In building on previous communication regarding our reopening, we want to provide some updates around our plans for September. We presented to the Board of Education the current status of our plans (video is available on our district website), but are providing a summary of the areas discussed.

### Parent Choice for 100% Remote Instruction

We have received a great deal of interest in our 100% Remote Instruction option. Many families have reached out since we closed the window to respond. Due to where we are in the planning process, please reach out directly to your **building administrators by Friday, August 21st** if you would like to add your name to the list of families participating in the 100% Remote Instruction option.

### Calendar

We are working very hard to design a calendar that accomplishes a myriad of goals. We want to support our working families by providing consistency, crafting a **Tuesday/Thursday**, and **Wednesday/Friday** pairing for our cohort groups. On **Mondays**, we will divide between asynchronous and synchronous instruction. Half will be dedicated to in-person, synchronous instruction. The other half will be dedicated to asynchronous instruction, allowing teachers to work together and be trained in new technologies and instructional models. We will use Mondays as a way of addressing inequities in the calendar. For example, if we end up having to close on certain days, we will be able to use our remaining Mondays as a way of accommodating any loss of in-person instructional time. We will let our K-3 students know which Mondays will be remote for them too.

### Schedules

Our building administrators are working together to develop a bell schedule that allows for staggered arrival and dismissal times. This needs to be coordinated with our transportation and facilities teams.

As soon as the times are solidified, we will communicate these to families.

### **Transportation**

We appreciate the response to our transportation response form. We really need you to indicate your interest in either taking the bus or finding an alternate means of sending your child to school. This data is critical in developing our staggered arrival and dismissal times, as well as developing our cohorts and other important elements in our reopening.

### **Face Coverings**

Thank you for your attention to my previous message about face coverings. We are seeing the ways in which face coverings, when properly used and enforced, help to mitigate the spread of the virus. We know we can best support the safety of our community if we all take on this responsibility. It is my understanding that the link to the mask tips did not function properly. To access the link, please click [here](#).

### **Temperature Checks**

Temperature checks will be a required part of students' routines as they return to the school building. I would encourage you to start practicing this with your families in the morning. Please make checking temperature common practice as you leave the house. Perhaps have a thermometer placed by the door, near your keys.

Our leadership team continues to be humbled by the earnest and dedicated efforts of our teachers, parents, students, and the greater school community. We are confident that by working together, we can overcome the most challenging obstacles. Thank you for your continued support, patience, and partnership.

Sincerely,

Dr. Amy Goodman  
Superintendent

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