PS 34 Elementary

Virtual Parent Forum with Principal I.A. Alain Beugoms

November 20, 2020
5:00 pm
Parent Forum Agenda

- News and Updates
- Q & A – Post your questions in the chat.
- Polish Translation – Ms. Oszczypala
- Spanish Translation – Ms. Mendoza
School News/Updates
School Building Closure – Remote Learning For All Students

NYC school buildings are temporarily closed.

Remote instruction continues for all students.

schools.nyc.gov/coronavirus
School Closure

At Wednesday’s press conference, the Mayor indicated that the citywide shutdown would last until at least Thanksgiving.

We will provide further updates as soon as we are able.

At this point, student class assignments will remain unchanged.
Communication With Families During Remote Learning

Operoo
Class Dojo
Email
Opt-in For Blended Learning

Date of Return for incoming Blended students is November 30-December 7

Class Placement & Cohort Notifications for students opting in for blended learning will be sent on next week
Picking Up Student Learning Materials

If needed, we will be notifying families of limited times to pick-up students learning materials.

Please check DOJO and with your child’s teacher if you need to pick-up materials.
Attendance during remote learning is not optional.

Students should report daily to their online class prepared for school. Ensure students have a quiet place to work free from distraction.

Make sure students are dressed for the day and at a table/desk where they are able to write, take notes, and refer to their school books.

Students are expected to keep their cameras on unless otherwise told by the teacher(s). There are exceptions.

Check-in daily with the Google Classroom for daily schedule, any changes, and a complete list of assignments and Google Meets.
iPads

According to DOE, devices are being shipped to schools on a rolling basis over the next five weeks

We are awaiting delivery. We have not yet been notified of dates.
Remote Learning Technical Support

Parents and families can call IT Help Desk if they need support with remote learning:

Help Desk 718-935-5100, option 5.

Hours of Operation: Monday through Saturday, 6:00am - 9:00pm
Learning Bridges

While schools transition to fully remote instruction, Learning Bridges programs will remain open to serve families who are enrolled in blended learning.

Learning Bridges programs will continue to operate from 8a.m. to 3p.m.

Priority will continue to be given to children enrolled in blended learning and who are:
- Children of essential workers including DOE staff, health and human service workers, and others
- Students in temporary housing or residing in NYCHA developments
- Children in foster care or receiving child welfare services
- Students with disabilities

Learning Bridges programs provide breakfast, lunch and snack at every site.

If families have questions about the status of their application, they can email learningbridges@schools.nyc.gov and should receive a response within 1 business day.

The DOE will continue to add Learning Bridges seats and add families to program rosters.
School Food

All families and students can continue to go to the school building [Eckford Street Yard] between 9a.m. and noon on weekdays to pick up three free grab-and-go meals. No identification or registration is necessary.

From 3-5 p.m., New Yorkers of all ages can pick up free meals at 260 Community Meals sites across the city. For a list of sites, please visit schools.nyc.gov/freemeals.
Report Cards

Report Cards will be emailed to families by their child’s teacher on November 30, 2020. You may also access report cards on Schools Account– Mystudents.nyc

New Grading Guidelines
As per DOE guidelines, there will be no grades of 1 or 2 (out of 4 point scale). Instead, teachers will use “N” to communicate “Needs Improvement”.

“NL” means not enough information for a grade at this point in the school year.
Virtual Middle School Tours
Grade 5

Middle School Tours (the week of November 30) – Posted on DOJO and Operoo

District 14 Middle School Fair/Panel Discussion (December 16)

https://www.schools.nyc.gov/enrollment/enroll-grade-by-grade/middle-school
20 Air purifiers arrived yesterday from DOE. This will mean all classrooms with children will have at least one air purifier.
Outdoor Learning Committee

Extension of Outdoor Learning Permit
Until December 23
Challenges Ahead

• Restarting Blended Learning

• Budget – Mid Year Adjustments
How You Can Volunteer?

• Parent-Teacher Association (PTA)
• School Leadership Team (SLT)
• Green Team
• Outdoor Learning Committee
• Anti-Racism and Cultural Awareness Committee
• School Wellness Council
• Dual Language Advisory Team (coming soon)
Q&A?

Thank You!