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PTA Meeting Agenda Thursday, August 13, 2020

Department of Education Learning Preference Survey PS 197 Results

Total Students: 883

Students who chose 100% Remote: 181

Blended Students (In Person + Remote): 702

What does this data mean for PS 197 students who opt for blended learning?

In order to accommodate all blended students with recommended social distancing, we must opt for the three cohort model. This is Model 2 shown below. Schedules will be distributed to families next week.

When is the first day of school?

The first day of school as of now is **Thursday, September 10, 2020**.

Only the Group scheduled for that day will attend.

For example, as per the model below, **Group B** will attend school on **Thursday, September 10th**.

What is the schedule for the days a student will be in school for in person learning?

The school day for students throughout the city will be from **8:30 am until 2:00 PM**. Siblings will be scheduled similarly where possible. There will be no provisions for early drop off. There will be no after school programs. Arrival and dismissal will be staggered to accommodate social distancing. Students must arrive and be picked up promptly at scheduled times.

What if a student comes to school on a day they are not scheduled?

If a student arrives on an incorrect day, schools will use the blue card and/or other resources to contact parents to pick the student up or send the student home if prior permission has been obtained.

Must all students wear masks?

All students are required to wear masks except when they are eating. Families must practice with their children how to wear masks so they become adjusted to wearing them prior to coming to school.

Will students receive breakfast and lunch?

All students will be offered breakfast and lunch in their classrooms.

Students will eat lunch during instruction.

How will students or visitors move through the building?

All students will move to and from classrooms maintaining social distancing. They will remain in their classrooms in an assigned location that maintains social distancing requirements throughout the school day. Families and visitors will be met at the front entrance. If a parent is called to pick up a child, the child will be brought to the main lobby. Parent meetings will be held remotely.

How can students access Google Classrooms?

Parents should begin to log in to students' DOE email accounts. Password is birthday. Information is in class DOJO/Remind or on last year's google classroom. All information that was communicated at the end of the last school year.

School Building Model 2 - Outline for 3 cohort school

Model 2

Week	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
	Group D (Remote)				
1	Group A	Group B	Group A	Group B	Group C
2	Group B	Group C	Group A	Group B	Group C
3	Group C	Group A	Group A	Group B	Group C

Summary: Three in-person cohorts, one remote.

Provides regularity on days per week with some variation by week (e.g. Group A is in-person every Wednesday, as well as on Monday in week 1 and Tuesday in week 3).

Because this model provides the greatest degree of regularity among the three-cohort models, it is the only option available for elementary schools and is "Chancellor Recommended" for middle schools that must program for 1/3 of their students.

Group A, Group B, Group C: in-person learning 1- 3 days per week (5 days every 3 weeks); remote learning for non-in person days.

Group D: remote every day; consists of students who opt out of in-person instruction.

Exception Request: Group E: Self Contained students attend 5 days per week pending approval.

PS 197 Website: <https://ps-197.echalksites.com/>