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How often will the stair handrails and bathrooms be cleaned?	Bathrooms and stair handrails will be cleaned daily by the custodial staff of Brandeis Campus.
How will absences be handled? Will they count against students as they had before the Pandemic?	Recent DOE guidance requires: Students scheduled for remote learning must login to a synchronous session for their attendance to be labeled present. Students who are scheduled for blended should attend school on their session day for attendance to be labeled present.
How will lunch be handled?	On site students will be dismissed between 12:20 and 12:40 to Lunch and should travel home for afternoon remote classes. Students can opt for grab and go lunch, and if students prefer to eat in school, a space will be provided for them.
How many days will the blended kids go to school?	All FMHS students scheduled for blended will attend school 2 days a week, and on alternating Mondays they will attend for their third day. They will be expected to attend synchronous online sessions on days they are home.
Will there be Regents exams in June?	We do not yet have guidance from the Board of Regents about January and June exams.
How many teachers are coming back and how many will be remote?	We are excited to welcome 3 new staff members to the FMHS team this year! Joining the team are Ms. Castillo (Math), Mr. Saidenberg (Math), and Ms. Chevere (School Secretary). We will have several staff members working remotely. This number is not yet finalized in accordance with DOE policy.
Will school desks have dividers?	Desks at FMHS do not have dividers. DOE has not provided dividers for desks as part of the safety equipment needed for reopening.
Will students still go through scanning?	NYC DOE will continue to require students who enter the building to go through scanning.
What is the FMHS' protocol if a student is found to have the virus?	Please refer to NYC DOE guidance on the Test & Trace protocol that will be put in place if anyone in the building tests positive for COVID-19.
How many students will there be per class?	Most students will be cohorted in groups of 9-12 with a small number of classrooms allowing for more students based on square footage of the space.



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<p>If my child is doing remote classes, will she be allowed to come to school to get materials necessary for her classwork, ex. books the class is using, etc.</p>	<p>Yes, there will be opportunities for students to pick up supplies and devices if they are learning remotely. We will provide more guidance about the pickup of supplies in the coming weeks.</p>
<p>Will kids be required to obtain a COVID test within a certain number of days of the start of school?</p>	<p>Per NYC DOE guidance, everyone reentering NYC Schools is encouraged to be tested prior to returning. There is currently no requirement. You can find priority testing sites here.</p>
<p>What percentage of students or how many 9th graders will be in person?</p>	<p>The number of students who are returning to in person learning continues to fluctuate based on rolling completion of the Learning Preference Survey. There is an increasing number of students who are opting to learn remotely (30%) as of today.</p>
<p>What is the air conditioning filter situation exactly?</p>	<p>Custodial engineers have been working to ensure that all classrooms on Brandeis Campus meet the Health and Safety guidelines set forth by NYC DOE and the DOHMH. Air conditioners have been set to push out classroom air while cooling. Windows will be open in classrooms.</p>
<p>What is the relationship with the Health Clinic on Brandeis Campus?</p>	<p>Brandeis Campus is lucky enough to have a school-based clinic in partnership with St. Luke's Roosevelt Hospital.</p>
<p>Has FMHS received their PPE supplies already? If not, is there a timeframe set for delivery to the school?</p>	<p>Brandeis Campus has received some of the supplies we will need for a safe reopening, but not all of the supplies that we need at this time. We do not yet have a time frame for deliveries.</p>
<p>Does FMHS feel comfortable that there are enough teachers available for in-person in case of sick days? Or substitute support remote only?</p>	<p>NYC DOE is preparing plans for how substitute teaching will be handled during the 2020-21 school year in the event of sick days for staff members.</p>
<p>What if a parent/student wants to receive related services remotely?</p>	<p>There is a questionnaire that was sent directly to families that can be used to request related services remotely. At this time, requests are not being received at the school level.</p>
<p>Do the students in school for A block class and B block class remain with the same group of students for the time they are in school OR do they move between classrooms?</p>	<p>Students will remain in their cohorts throughout the day. Teachers will move from classroom to classroom.</p>
<p>Students that are remote will they have a FMHS teacher?</p>	<p>Yes, remote students will receive instruction from FMHS teachers.</p>
<p>What will be the process for students with IEPs?</p>	<p>Students with IEPs will continue to receive support at Frank</p>



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	McCourt from our Special Education department.
How are classes going to be organized?	Classes will be organized in quarterly intensives this year. For more information, and for a sample student schedule, please see the Town Hall Presentations .