



Herndon Middle School Town Hall Information Session with Q&A

February 11, 2021

5:00-6:00PM

Our Time This Evening



- **Slide Presentation** (will be linked on our website)
- **Questions from Families** (in the chat or on the mic)

Updated Bell Schedule

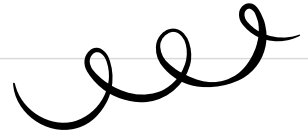
- Begins for all students on 2/16
- Three Lunches- Virtual will follow as well
- Procedures for 2/16 and 2/17

Time Blocks	Tuesdays & Thursdays	Wednesdays & Fridays
7:30-8:55 (85min) Arrival & Announcements	1st Period	2nd Period
8:55-9:05 (10min)	Transition	
9:05-10:25 (80min)	3rd Period	4th Period (Advisory)
10:25-10:35 (10min)	Transition	
10:35-12:30 (115min) 85 min class + 30 min lunch **5th/6th Period Teacher will notify students of their lunch time	5th Period (Lunch) A Lunch 10:30-11:00 (30) B Lunch 11:15-11:45 (30) C Lunch 12:00-12:30 (30)	6th Period (Lunch) A Lunch 10:30-11:00 (30) B Lunch 11:15-11:45 (30) C Lunch 12:00-12:30 (30)
12:30-12:40 (10min)	Transition	
12:40-2:00 (80min) Clean Up, Staggered Dismissal	7th Period	8th Period
FCPS Guidelines indicate that at-home and in-person students will be following the same bell schedule starting on 2/16		

2/25 and 2/26

FCPS MS/HS Staff Preparation Days:

- Staff will be in the building getting ready for concurrent instruction!
- Students will be **asynchronous** for both days and need to check Google Classroom for posted assignments.



8th Grade In-Person Learning Timeline

Students whose parents/ guardians selected in person learning are scheduled to return to HMS classrooms according to the following dates

8th Grade				
Monday March 1	Tuesday March 2	Wednesday March 3	Thursday March 4	Friday March 5
All students- Asynchronous learning	8th Grade in person Tue/Wed (students last name A-K)	8th Grade in person Tue/Wed (students last name A-K)	8th Grade in person Thur/Fri (students last name L-Z)	8th Grade in person Thur/Fri (students last name L-Z)



7th Grade In-Person Learning Timeline

7th Grade				
Monday March 8	Tuesday March 9	Wednesday March 10	Thursday March 11	Friday March 12
All students- Asynchronous learning	7th Grade in person Tue/Wed (students last name A-K)	7th Grade in person Tue/Wed (students last name A-K)	7th Grade in person Thur/Fri (students last name L-Z)	7th Grade in person Thur/Fri (students last name L-Z)

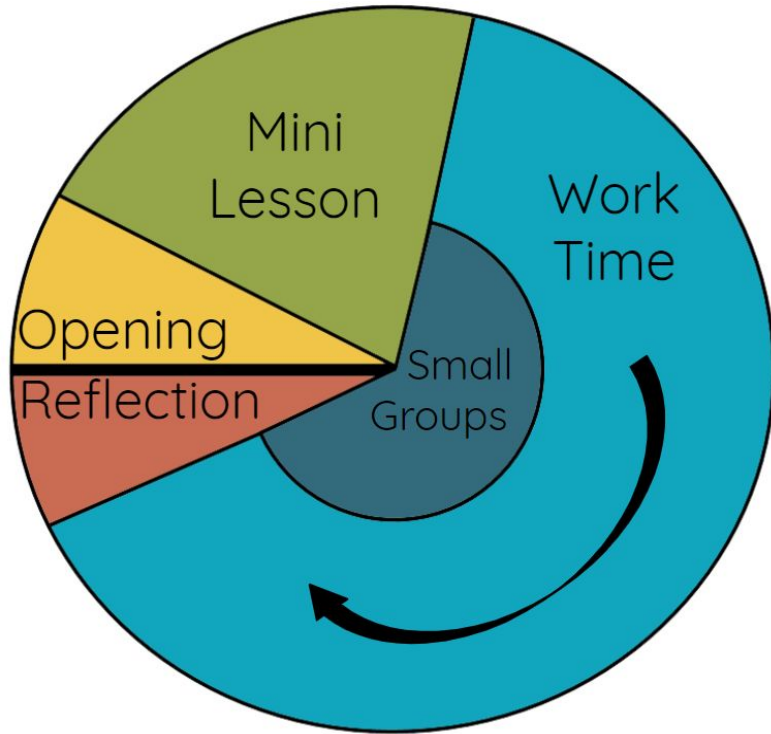


Concurrent Instruction—MS/HS Schedule

MS/HS Concurrent Instructional Schedule				
	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Group A	Periods 1,3,5,7 In-School	Periods 2,4,6,8 In-School	Periods 1,3,5,7 Online	Periods 2,4,6,8 Online
Group B	Periods 1,3,5,7 Online	Periods 2,4,6,8 Online	Periods 1,3,5,7 In-School	Periods 2,4,6,8 In-School
Group C (full time online)	Periods 1,3,5,7 Online	Periods 2,4,6,8 Online	Periods 1,3,5,7 Online	Periods 2,4,6,8 Online

Two days of instruction in the school and two days of virtual instruction at home - both led by the teacher.

Concurrent Instruction Lesson Planning Workshop Model



Teachers will be shifting their planning to focus on both:

- **in-person** student needs and interactions
- **virtual** student needs and interactions

Before In-Person Return



Health Screening Commitment Form

Parents/guardians who chose in-school instruction must complete a [Parent/Guardian Health Screening Commitment form](#).

This form indicates their agreement with and commitment to:

- Complete a daily health screening prior to sending the student to school
- Keep ill students at home.

Families can complete this form in [ParentVue](#)

OR

Submit the form to your child(ren's) school.



Parent/Guardian Health Screening Commitment Form

To protect our children and staff, I commit to complete a daily health screening of my child using the COVID-19 Health Screening Questions and to not to send my child to school when he/she is sick or feeling unwell with the symptoms consistent with COVID-19. This commitment will apply to all school-age children in my home.

I agree to screen all school-aged children in my home each day prior to sending him/her to school and agree to keep my child at home if he/she has:

- Feeling feverish and/or having chills (if documented temperature/fever of 100.4F or greater)
- A new cough not due to another health condition
- A new sore throat not due to another health condition
- New chills not due to another health condition
- New muscle pain not due to another health condition or that may have been caused by a specific activity such as physical exercise
- New loss of taste or smell

I understand that the COVID-19 Health Screening Questions may change over time as required by the Centers for Prevention and Disease Control (CDC) and that Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS) will update the health screening questions, as required. FCPS will communicate any necessary changes to me and I agree to continue daily health screenings based on the current requirements.

I agree not to send my child to back to school if he/she has any of these signs of COVID-19 until:

- My child tested negative for COVID-19 and is otherwise well enough to go back to school. **OR**
- A healthcare provider has seen my child and documented a reason for the symptoms other than COVID-19. **OR**
- All are true: 1) at least 10 days since the start of symptoms AND 2) fever free off anti-fever medicines for 24 hours AND 3) symptoms are getting better.

I agree not to send my child back to school if he/she is diagnosed with COVID-19, until the following are met:

- It has been at least 10 days since my child first had symptoms **AND**
- My child has had no fever off anti-fever medicines (ex: Tylenol, ibuprofen) for 24 hours **AND**
- My child's symptoms are getting better

If someone in my household has been diagnosed with COVID-19, or my child is exposed, I agree to keep my child home for 14 days after their last exposure to the household member.

***Exposure is defined as spending more than 15 minutes within six feet of a person with COVID-19 or having exposure to the person's respiratory secretions (for example: coughed or sneezed; shared a drinking glass or utensils; kissing) while they were contagious. A person with COVID-19 is considered to be contagious starting 2 days before they became sick, or 2 days before they tested positive if they never had symptoms.**

If someone in my household develops fever, new cough, shortness of breath or two of the following: sore throat, chills, muscle pain, headache, new loss of taste or smell, I will get that person evaluated and tested for COVID-19. If that person tests positive, I will keep my child home for 14 days after their last exposure to this household member OR as above if my child tests positive.

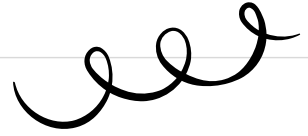
Child's name: _____
Parent/guardian name: _____
Parent/guardian signature: _____
Date: _____

Bus Transportation



- Bus stop information will be available at the school and in [ParentVUE](#).
- Students will receive a “Transportation Notification”
 - Communication to bus riders sent from HMS prior to the return-to-school which includes details including times and locations for bus pick-ups and drop offs and other important reminders.
- Social distancing requirements limit capacity on school buses.
- [Here Comes the Bus app](#) is available and provides school bus arrival information.

Arrival to School

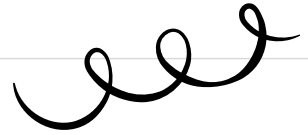


- Walkers, bus riders, kiss and ride
- 7:10-7:20AM
 - Cafeteria (Breakfast)
 - Auditorium (8th graders)
 - Big Gym (7th Graders)
- Grab & Go Breakfast
- Passing Time (10 minutes)



First Week Lessons

8th Grade Students (3/2-3/5)



7th Grade Students (3/9-3/12)

- Arrival to School & Dismissal Procedures
- Social Distancing and Mask wearing in the classrooms, hallways and throughout the school
- Hallway Procedures
- Arrival to Class Procedures (Seating Charts)



Student Laptops



- Students should bring FCPS-assigned laptops with them to school **and** take that laptop home each day.
- Extra laptops may not be available.
- Laptop should be fully charged every morning and ready to use.
- DO NOT use disinfectant spray on the device or apply hand sanitizer directly on the device as it may damage the electronics.
- Parents may use an alcohol wipe or disinfectant wipe to gently wipe down the laptop and keyboard if necessary.



Cafeteria and Library

- Maintaining 6 feet of social distancing is required.
- Seating will be assigned and face one direction.
- Masks required when not eating.
- FCPS offers Grab & Go lunches for all students.
- When possible, we will have outdoor seating.

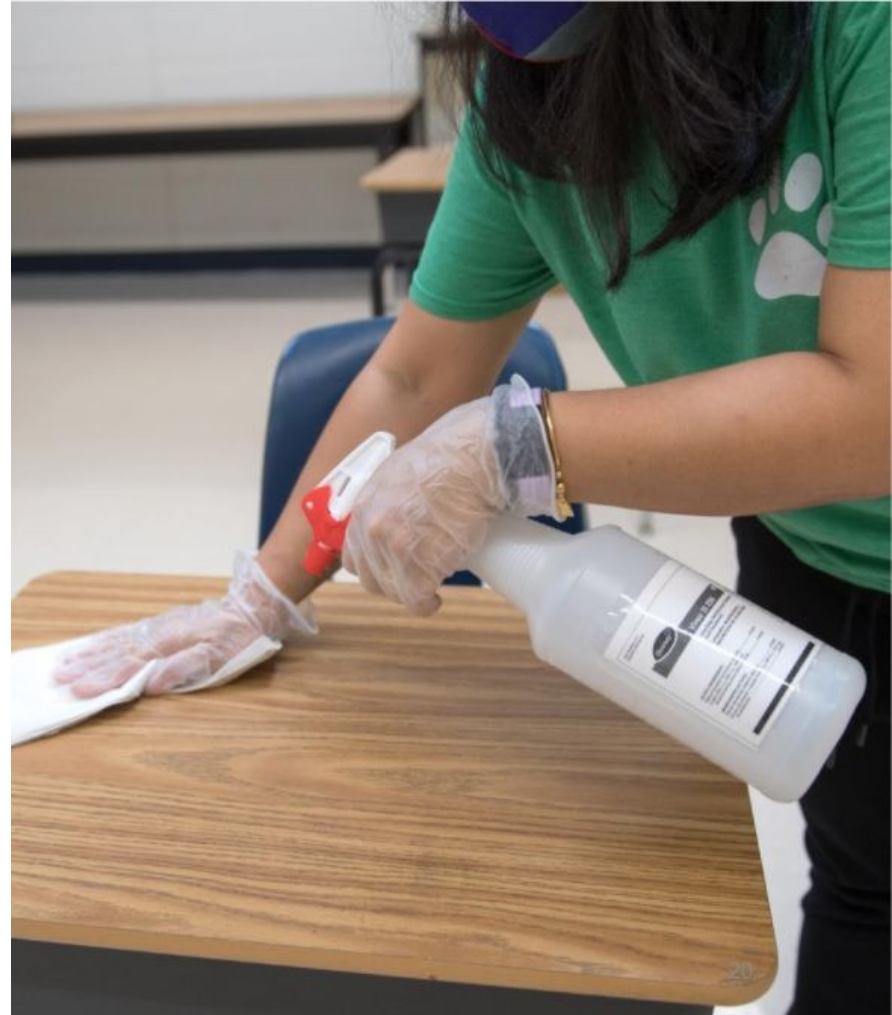


Dismissal and Hallway Procedures

- Maintaining 6 feet of social distancing and masks is required.
- Hallways and stairwells are clearly marked for one-way/two-way traffic.
- Dismissal will be staggered by area to support social distancing as students exit the building.



Safety Protocols



HMS – Stay Safe!

Masks On



6 Feet Apart



Wash Your Hands



Follow the Path



**Please follow
the direction
arrows**

Cleaning Protocols



Measures will continue to be implemented to ensure that common areas and equipment, and personal workspaces, are regularly cleaned and sanitized.

The custodial staff have adjusted their cleaning processes in the following ways:

- using EPA-approved, hospital grade disinfectant and sanitizing products
- thoroughly disinfecting and sanitizing all high-touch surfaces throughout the day
- disinfecting and sanitizing the cafeteria before and after each breakfast and lunch each day

Face Coverings/Masks



All HMS students are required to wear face coverings (cloth or disposable) while on school property.

Face coverings will be provided to students unable to provide their own.

Any student requesting an exemption to wearing a face covering due to a medical exemption needs to provide the school a written statement from his or her physician confirming that not wearing a face covering is medically necessary.

Face Coverings



School Supplies and Communal Classroom Items



Student will keep their supplies in their backpack and take them to and from school each day.

Students will not be allowed to share electronic devices, toys, books, games or learning aids unless they can be cleaned or disinfected.

Students **should bring their own water bottle** for use during the day, as water fountains will not be available to drink out of according to health guidelines.

Water fountains in the cafeteria will be available for students to refill their own water bottles only during breakfast and lunch.

Visitors to FCPS Facilities

- **Schedule appointments prior** to visiting a school by contacting the main office
- All visitors required to **complete a health screening questionnaire**
- All visitors required to **wear a face covering** (cloth or disposable) while on school property & inside FCPS facilities
- Visitors who do not have face coverings will be provided a disposable mask upon entering a school
- Visitor access should be limited to essential activities



School Health Room

Parents will be required to bring in medications needed to support their student during the school day prior to or on the first day of school.

If your student has an **Individualized Health or Action Plan** for specialized care, medication administration and emergency care, our Public Health Nurse (PHN) and clinic aide will be supporting students returning to the building.

*****Reminder that health requirements including necessary documentation for required immunizations, tuberculosis screenings, physicals and Tdap must be met before a student can return to “in-person” learning.**



Becoming Ill While at School

Students will be sent home if they demonstrate:

- fever greater than or equal to 100.4 Fahrenheit
- new chills
- new cough
- new sore throat
- new muscle aches
- new loss of taste or smell
- nausea, or diarrhea, abdominal pain
- poor appetite
- nasal congestion or runny nose
- shortness of breath or difficulty breathing not due to another health condition
- more tired than usual
- headache

Parents/guardians will be notified and are expected to pick up their child. Parents are to check in with the front office.

Care Room

We have a predetermined Care Room that is a designated location for students who exhibit symptoms of COVID-19 while at school.

It is separate from the HMS Health Room.

Should a student need the Care Room, a designated staff member will be assigned to supervise the student there while waiting for a parent/guardian to pick up the student.

Student Illness at Home

If a student becomes ill at home, please **STAY HOME**.

Parents need to contact the school and report the reason for their child's absence.

Parents will need to follow established procedures when contacting the school regarding student illness.



Returning to School After Illness

Students who have been sick:

Families will receive guidance from the FCHD, Public Health Nurses (PHNs), and School Health Aides (SHAs), as to when their student can return to in-person learning and needed forms.

Students who have been exposed to COVID-19:

If someone in the household has been diagnosed with COVID-19, or the student is exposed, the student **must** remain home for 14 days after their last exposure to the household member.

Response to COVID Case in a Classroom

A class(es) may temporarily transition to virtual instruction due to a COVID positive case or outbreak while contact tracing is implemented. The class will resume in-person instruction upon the advisement of the health department.

More information can be found online in the [FCPS Health and Safety Guidance 2020-21](#) document

Mental Health and Wellness

All children and youth face challenges from time to time managing emotions such as feeling depressed, anxious, or worried.

As students prepare to return to in-person learning, these emotions may be heightened.

Our school counselors and clinical staff are available to support all students.

***If you or someone you care about is experiencing a mental health crisis, or if you believe there may be a mental health emergency, call 911. Additional resources are available at www.fcps.edu [Mental Health Emergency Services](#).

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FCPS - Helpful Resources/Links



Additional and most recent information can be found at fcps.edu

[Return to School](#)

Other Resources:

[Mental Health Resources and Emergency Services Information](#)

[Parent/Guardian Health Screening Commitment form](#)

[ParentVue](#)

[Return to School](#)

[Student Health and Safety Guidance Document](#)

[Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#)

[Permission to Return to School/Child Care Form](#)

[Virginia Department of Health](#)

School Contacts

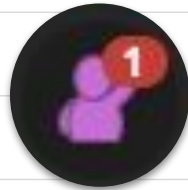
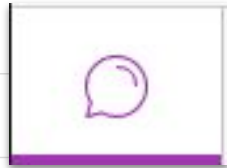
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Questions

Please post questions in the chat or raise your hand. We can make you a Presenter so you have access to share your question with a microphone.



Thank You For Coming!

Any questions?

Feel free to put it in the chat

