



COLUMBIA SCHOOL DISTRICT No 206

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Hello Columbia Families~

We are so grateful for your cooperation and patience as we have entered a realm we never expected to be in.

Education and your children's learning experience looks different than any of us would have ever predicted was possible, yet your children have embraced the new experience and work to learn in spite of the circumstances. **We are proud of our students, staff, and families** for all of their continued dedication to the education of all Columbia students.

WELCOME BACK TO CAMPUS!

- **October 12** - Monday school re-opens for all grades K-12, starting at 8:00 am
- **AM Bus times** are included with this letter (see separate card enclosed)
- **Elementary and/or JH-HS Schedules** are enclosed with this letter

What Does It Look Like ???!

- *Attestation form in lanyard and visible to bus driver when entering bus*
- *Masks mandatory before boarding bus*
- *All students must have attestation completed and mask on before boarding bus*
- Monday-Friday Daily schedule-8-12:30
- Students will continue daily schoolwork in a distance learning format at home
- Social distanced classrooms
- One way hallways
- Students remain with their cohort
- Breakfast and lunch in classrooms with cohort
- Outdoor mask breaks
- Single/personal use materials
- 7-12 grade access to backpacks in each classroom
- 7-12 grade 3 extended periods daily
- Plan in place for sick students through DOH and Tri-County Health
- Please send a water bottle with your child- water fountains are not permissible to use

MS/HS SCHEDULE

Arrive 8:00-8:10 am

Buses depart at 12:30 pm

Safety Measures:

Due to COVID19 safety concerns we have limited the number of times students change classrooms and cohorts by limiting our semesters to three classes rather than six reducing extended exposure to new groups of students by half.

The benefit of this schedule is two-fold:

- Students have extended(or double without transitions) class time in each of these three classes providing extended and deeper learning opportunities.
- Students lose only half of the time transitioning as they would with a six period schedule.
- Teachers are prepared to engage with the students and the coursework in a way that ensures that students receive the full year of instruction.
- Students will eat and take breaks within their cohorts
- Courses are full year long courses by doubling the amount of time in each course students receive a full course in each class in half the time, same amount of time spent in the class as they would get for a full year course program

ELEM SCHEDULE

Arrive 8:00-8:10 am

Buses depart at 12:30 pm

- Students will remain in their cohort throughout the day
- Students will have scheduled breaks with cohorts
- Students will eat in classrooms
- Students will have limited access to other students to limit potential exposure to others
- Students will have extended time and coursework in literacy and mathematics
- Students will have extended classwork for the afternoon that will include

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the office at 722-3311.

We are so excited to have students back on campus!

