



# JAMESTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Jamestown School District Families,

Last night the Jamestown School Board voted 3-2 to reopen our campuses for in-person learning in a hybrid model (a blend of in-person and distance learning in small cohorts). Grades TK-1 and Special Day Classes will begin on October 8<sup>th</sup>, and 2<sup>nd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grades will begin on October 12<sup>th</sup>.

If you have chosen to remain on distance learning, your schedule will be very similar to what it is currently. If you have requested independent study, we will be in contact with you to complete an independent student contract.

For those of you that have chosen in-person learning in the cohort model, the daily schedule and general procedure is as follows:

- In order to follow social distancing guidelines within classrooms, in -person instruction will occur in two cohorts--Cohort A days (Monday/Tuesday) and Cohort B days (Thursday / Friday). Some classes have a small enough class sizes and therefore can meet for in-person instruction all four days as one cohort. Your child's teacher will be in contact with you to discuss your child's schedule
- All students will participate in Distance Learning on Wednesdays. Schedules may change and your child's teacher will share any changes with you
- Campus will not open until 8:00 AM. This is due to health and safety protocols. This includes walkers and car drop off. Buses will arrive on campus at 8:10 AM
- Grade level spans will have separate entrances to assist with social distancing. TK-1<sup>st</sup> will enter through Gate 1; 2<sup>nd</sup> -3<sup>rd</sup> grades will enter through Gate 2; 4<sup>th</sup>- 5<sup>th</sup> grades and Ms. Miotti's and Ms. Williams Dual Immersion classes will enter on the right side of the quad by the music room and 5<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> grades will enter to the left of the quad along the bus loading zone
- Due to our approved *Return to School Plan* outlining health and safety guidelines, upon student arrival, we will have temperature screening and hand sanitizing stations located at each grade level entrance and will require masking or face covering prior to entering campus. Students will go directly to their classrooms
- School begins at 8:15 AM. Breakfast will be served in classrooms at this time
- Lunch will be a "grab and go" bag lunch delivered to classrooms at 12:30 PM with school dismissal at 12:45 PM. **The *PikMyKid* dismissal process will be explained in another communication**

- Independent or asynchronous learning and /or intervention support will be conducted in the afternoon while students are at home
- In order to maintain health and safety for all students and staff it will be very important that all safety protocols and procedures are followed by both students and parents. It is the only way we can continue to keep school open for in-person instruction at this time. Therefore, before any in-person instruction can begin, both you and your child will need to read and follow the district's health and safety expectations and sign a COVID safety contract. These documents will be coming to you soon, and must be turned in before any in-person instruction can occur
- Due to our safety guidelines and the need to keep cohorts separate, we will not be able to hold an after-school program at this time

I know there are many questions and there will be many more details that we will need to communicate to you in the next weeks. We are finalizing our procedures and protocols and will send these out to you very soon for you to review and acknowledge before your child's start date.

We are all going to be working through new processes and your continued patience, understanding, and flexibility is greatly appreciated. The more our processes work and we can maintain the health and safety of students and staff, the sooner we can get to a full return to school.

In partnership,



Contessa Pelfrey, Superintendent