

Westchester Elementary School's Reopening Information

(Arrival 9:00-9:15 Dismissal 3:50-4:00)

<p>Arrival & Dismissal Procedures:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Separate door for Kindergarten bus riders, 1st and 2nd grade bus riders, and a separate door for our car riders to ensure staggering arrival and dismissal• Hallways have directional stickers spaced six feet apart	<p>Face Covering:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Face coverings are required for all persons in a BCPS facility or vehicle as well as on BCPS property. Face coverings are required during transportation to/from school on a bus as well as outdoors on campuses.• Each school, office, and school bus will have a supply of disposable face coverings for students and employees who forget their face covering or whose face covering becomes soiled or damaged.
<p>Screening & Stay Home When Appropriate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• All employees and students are expected to screen themselves daily for symptoms of COVID-19.• Remain home if you have symptoms, confirmed COVID-19 illness, had recent contact with a person with COVID-19 and/or awaiting test results.• Parents will receive a screening checklist and magnet with the screening practices.	<p>Social Distancing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Classroom furniture is arranged to provide 6-foot separation between students, when possible.• Reduce gathering of students in any area – refer to changes in arrival and dismissal procedures and movement in the hallways.
<p>Hand Hygiene:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Times for handwashing or use of hand sanitizer to include before and after meals, upon arrival to schools' offices and home, before and after use of any shared items, after use of the restroom, after sneezing/coughing and other time hands are contaminated.	<p>Breakfast & Lunch:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lunch social distancing will be ensured by students remaining in their classrooms and eating at their protected desks. Students will remain six feet away from each other.• Meals will be delivered to students in the classroom.• Principals will provide staff to deliver food and to allow for teacher duty-free lunch.• Nurse will ensure that the cafeteria personnel who deliver the lunches will maintain an up-to-date listing of dietary restrictions and allergies to be provided in each classroom.• All students will receive a bagged breakfast and lunch if wanted.• No money will be exchanged – no extra snacks• Bagged meals will be handed out to students in the lobby or designated location as they arrive in the morning.• Lunches will be delivered to the classroom by designated staff during lunch.• Students will be responsible for disposing of their back lunches in receptacles provided in each room.• All food provided from the school must be eaten at school.• Area will be disinfected by custodial staff and cafeteria aides immediately following each meal and students will wash hands.

Supplies & Devices:

- No lockers – Backpacks come into the classroom and remain at desks with students
- There will be no sharing of student items – all students will be required to bring necessary items daily. Teachers will provide daily supply lists to parents.
- Students are responsible for bringing charged device and charger to school each day.

Visitors:

- To visit a BCPS school, visitors must have an appointment.
- Visits will be conducted remotely or outside, whenever possible.
- If an indoor visit is required, visitors will be required to wear a face coverings and practice social distancing.
- The number of people admitted to the building will be limited.

Cohort Changes:

- If a parent wants a change in cohort, the parent will call or email school and ask for administrator to make a request. If approved, a change in cohort may result in a change in classroom placement.
- Parents will be notified if the request has been approved within 2 school days.
- Any student moving from Cohort A to Cohort B must remain in virtual setting for 14 calendar days before making the change.

Communication:

- The main form of home/school communication will continue to be through Weekly Class Newsletters.
- Important information will continue to be posted on School Website each Friday.
- Administration welcomes conversation with parents either by phone 410-887-1088 or by email pbyers@bcps.org acrabb@bcps.org
- COVID updates as well as Technology needs are answered by using county website www.bcps.org Our school tech support is Eric Sloan esloan@bcps.org