



Return to In-Person Learning K-4 Family Forum

March 11, 2021



Agenda

- K-4 Full Return
- K-4 In-Person Learning
- K-4 Remote Learning
- How You Can Help
- Q&A



K-4 Full Return

- Bring all K-4 students back to full-in person school by April 5, 2021 in accordance with DESE requirements in a model that will:
 - Have students in school 5 days/week with the same timing as our pre-Covid school schedule;
 - Offer academics, specials, lunch, and snack as part of the school day;
 - Include specialized instruction for students with disabilities and students who are English learners;
 - Provide bus transportation in accordance with DESE guidance;
 - Implement classroom capacity, individual distancing, and quarantining requirements from CDC and DESE guidance; and
- Offer a fully remote option for K-4 students that includes academics, specials, and specialized instruction, with particular attention paid to community-building among remote learners; and
- Eliminate the hybrid school option for K-4 students.



K-4 In-Person Learning

- **Hours:** Return to previous in-school hours
- **Transportation to/from school:** Up to full capacity; assigned seats; masks; windows open. Parents are encouraged to provide alternative transportation options for students.
- **Classroom distancing and capacity:** Reserved 6' space for teachers; Minimum 3' distancing for students.
- **Snack & mask breaks:** 6'+ distancing
- **Specials:** Grade-level specials in art, music, and PE; locations include outside, in classrooms, in gym
- **Specialized instruction:** New schedule will be developed for specialized instruction (e.g., for students with disabilities, English learners) for in-person learners
- **Lunch:** 6' distancing; multiple lunch schedule; lunch in multiple locations (cafe, tent, gym)
- **Teachers:** Current BPS staff + additional hires as needed



K-4 Remote Learning

- Utilize remote-only classes for K-4 remote learning in Spring 2021
- **Hours:** Return to previous in-school hours
- **Specials:** Grade-level specials in art, music, and PE; library to the extent possible
- **Specialized instruction:** New schedule will be developed for specialized instruction (e.g., for students with disabilities, English learners) for remote learners
- **Administration:** Dedicated administrative support from district
- **Teachers:** Current BPS staff + additional hires as needed

Possibilities for remote-only classes (based on number of remote students per grade level and school):

School-specific
remote classes

Partnering 2 schools to
form remote classes

District-wide
remote classes



How You Can Help

- Bus monitors
- Lunch monitor

Indicate your interest in serving in one of these roles on the survey going out Friday, March 12.



Next Steps: K-4

- **March 12th (morning):** Survey to all K-4 families asking for:
 - Remote/in-person choice
 - Transportation choice
 - Interest in serving as bus monitor and/or lunch monitor
- **March 12th (end of day):** FAQ document released
- **Tuesday, March 16th: Survey due by 11:30am**
- Requests to change remote/in-person selection: April 30 & May 21



Q&A

- Thank you for submitting questions in advance!
- Submit additional questions through the **Q&A** feature in Zoom.