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Dear Colleagues and Families,

There are several updates on our progress for this school year, forms of learning, testing, and travel recommendations over April Vacation. Please take a few minutes to read this information carefully. Please note that we are continuing to follow CDC, State Board of Health, Revere Board of Health and DESE guidance on all aspects of learning. Although we will be transitioning to full-time, in-person learning, we are still not back to business as usual which impacts timing and many other aspects of the school day.

**Return to Full-time in-person learning for grades EC – 8:**

Beginning on May 3<sup>rd</sup> for students in grades EC through 5 and beginning on May 10<sup>th</sup> for students in grades 6-8, we will transition to full-time in-person learning. Parents will still have the option to keep students fully remote. Full-time in-person learning will have a school day that is longer than the hybrid school day and all students will be able to attend school in-person every school day instead of on alternating weeks.

- **Integrated Early Childhood students (1/2 Day)**
  - **AM Session:** Students will begin at 8:05, they will have snack during the session, and students will be dismissed at 10:35.
  - **PM Session:** Students will begin at 11:35, they will have snack during the session, and students will be dismissed at 2:05.
- **(K—Gr. 5) Elementary students** will begin at 8:25 with breakfast, lunch will be served during the day, and students will be dismissed at 2:15.
- **(Gr. 6—8) Middle school students** will begin at 7:35 with breakfast, lunch will be served during the day, and students will be dismissed at 1:50.

**Full-time in-person:**

- Student desks in some classes will be less than 6 feet apart. They will be at least 3 feet apart.
- Students will be 6 feet apart while eating.
- Students will attend school every day rather than on alternating weeks.

**Fully remote learning:**

- At the elementary level, remote learning will be very similar or the same as how remote learning happens now. Any adjustments will be communicated to parents by the teacher or principal
- At the middle school level, students will log into each class period each day rather than alternating classes on different weeks and days.

There is no information on HS changing modes at this time. If Commissioner Riley updates that position, we will follow-up with information on that transition as soon as possible. Currently, the high school administration team is looking to identify places where students may be able to attend in-person learning both weeks. They will be in touch directly with parents and students for whom this is an option.

For up-to-date information regarding the 2019 novel Coronavirus, please visit the DPH COVID-19 web site at [www.mass.gov/2019coronavirus](http://www.mass.gov/2019coronavirus) Or the CDC website at [www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov](http://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov)

**Elementary & Middle School Families ONLY:** To help us plan for your child’s schooling through the end of the year, please complete the *brief* (2 minute) survey at the link below. The survey will be open until Friday, April 16<sup>th</sup> at noon.

<https://tinyurl.com/RPSFullReturnEN>

**Pooled Testing:**

We are very pleased in the progress after our first week of pooled Covid testing with over 1,000 participants. Our pooled testing allowed us to identify three asymptomatic members of our school community and let them know how to care for themselves at home while keeping everyone else safe in school. If you have not yet registered your child, you can do so at this link:

<https://tinyurl.com/RPSPooledTestingStudents>

We also wanted to provide a link to our data dashboard, which is updated daily, and outlines the number of positive students and adult cases by school. You can find it on the *Pandemic Plans & Resources* page on our website or at this link:

<https://tinyurl.com/RPSCovid19Dashboard>

**Travel advisory:**

We are aware that some families may be traveling out of state over the upcoming April vacation. In terms of students returning to in-person schooling, we will continue to follow the Massachusetts Travel Advisory. This advisory states that travelers are advised to produce a negative COVID-19 test result from a test that was administered not more than 72 hours prior to the arrival back in Massachusetts. Travelers can also test upon their return to Massachusetts. For those who choose not to test, travelers are advised to quarantine for 10 days upon their arrival.

To provide support for testing, Revere Public Schools will be conducting pooled testing during the school day in the morning of Monday, April 26<sup>th</sup>. In addition to our pooled testing program, we will be offering testing via MGH’s Mobile Testing Van on the dates and locations listed below:

- **April 28<sup>th</sup>**
  - **Beachmont School**
    - 15 Everard St.
    - 1:00 p.m. — 4:00 p.m.
  
- **April 29<sup>th</sup>**
  - **A.C. Whelan / Susan B. Anthony Middle School (West Revere)**
    - 107 Newhall St.
    - 1:00 p.m. — 4:00 p.m.

**Summer Programs:**

Principals are in the process of planning comprehensive summer programs that include both academic work and some outside, project-focused social and emotional learning. We anticipate having a number of opportunities for summer school programming across our district. Please be on the lookout as more information will be forthcoming from your child’s principal in the weeks that follow this notice.

Be well,

