



Returning to Campus for Face to Face Learning Guide

The following information is being provided to our Rocket community in an effort to keep you aware of the most up-to-date information for a safe and secure transition to campus.

➤ **Bell Schedule and School Calendar**

Our Bell Schedule and Red and Blue School Calendar are located on the homepage of our school website @ <https://www.browardschools.com/apollo> under “School News”.

➤ **We Are Here For You!**

We understand that some of our 6th graders have never attended school on campus. We also welcome our new students in all grade levels who have chosen to return to campus. The Apollo staff will be highly visible during their first few days and available to help our students find their classrooms and answer any questions they may have. **If your child is returning to campus, please have them bring their electronic device, whether it be school issued or personal, along with their adaptor/charger and headphones with a microphone to campus each day.** We take pride in supporting our students and cannot wait to welcome them back!

➤ **Transportation**

School buses will be provided to those students who have selected to return to campus on the District survey. There are safety protocols on the bus that students will need to follow; students should listen to their bus driver for these instructions. **Facial coverings must be worn at all times on the bus and on campus.** In order to facilitate physical distancing, a staggered dismissal will be in place in the afternoon. We ask for your patience while waiting for your child. In an effort to ensure physical distancing, as well as safety and security, gates will be locked until 8:45 a.m. Parents can drop off their children using the car loop between 8:45 a.m. – 9:25 a.m. as school begins at 9:30 a.m.

➤ **Breakfast & Lunch**

Meals are currently available to all students whether students are learning remotely or on campus. Both breakfast and lunch will be “Grab andGo” style.

- **On Campus Students:** Our cafeteria is set up with traffic flow patterns and account for physical distancing while in line and seated. Also, it is important to note that our water fountains have been adapted to water bottle fill stations, therefore students are encouraged to **bring their own water bottle to campus.**
 - Apollo staff will be supervising our students as they eat in the cafeteria while in assigned seating to ensure physical distancing. While eating at designated seating spaces, students may remove their face coverings. Facial coverings should be put back on as soon as they are finished with their meal.
- **Home eLearners:** You will have the opportunity to continue picking up Grab and Go Meal Packs. Distribution for these meal packs continues to be on *Tuesdays and Thursday* but will now be held from *1:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m. at the car loop.*

➤ Uniforms

While students are encouraged to wear school uniforms and adhere to the Unified Dress Code, it is not mandatory. Students MUST FOLLOW the [Student Code of Conduct Dress Code](#) guidelines.

➤ IDs

We are asking for all students to wear their IDs from last year until we can provide a replacement ID. Students are required to wear updated ID, once they have received them.

➤ Athletics/Activities

At this time, all afterschool activities and clubs will remain virtual for all students. Information will go out to parents and students as we receive updated information. Please visit “School News” on our school website for the most current information regarding 2020-2021 Apollo Athletics.

➤ Safety Before School

We will not be taking temperatures when students arrive on campus. Prior to sending your child to campus, parents need to ensure they monitor their child for symptoms of illness each day. Parents need to conduct daily health self-check screenings as well. It is essential that parents continue to reinforce the importance of good hand washing, wearing a facial covering while on campus, and physical distancing. For more information regarding [Coronavirus Prevention](#) and helpful information please visit our District website.

Students suspected to have Covid-19 symptoms will be escorted to a designated isolation room. The nurse will consult with Florida Department of Health and determine whether the student is a suspected case and proceed as if it were a confirmed case until proven otherwise. Parents will be contacted and will be asked to pick up their child within one hour of the phone call. Please ensure your phone contact numbers are accurate with the school and that you have filled out the appropriate [Back to School Forms](#) located on the right side of our website homepage.

The [Covid-19 Notification Form](#), available on the District website at www.browardschools.com, is used by BCPS school staff, parents, students, vendors, volunteers, and other community members to report a positive result of Covid-19, or have been advised by a healthcare provider to self-quarantine/self isolate, AND who have been inside a Broward County Public School or administration building.

➤ Safety Protocols During School & School Sponsored Activities/Events

Students are expected to abide by all safety protocols and CDC Guidelines at all times which includes all physical distancing guidelines and to follow revised school procedures including, but not limited to, staggered dismissal and class release times, one-way traffic, as indicated by the signage that is visibly posted throughout the campus and communicated to students. Signage has been placed in hallways, bathrooms, walkways, large areas, offices, and inside and outside of the cafeteria.

- **Facial Coverings:** Students, employees, vendors, and visitors must wear facial coverings while on the Apollo middle school campus as per District policy. Students should come to school each day wearing their facial covering, wear their facial covering throughout the day, and comply with pandemic-based modifications with school operations. All students are expected to follow face covering requirements while in school or at school sponsored activities/events for the health and safety of themselves, school staff, and others, as outlined in the policy. This will be monitored by our staff. Students who do not comply will be reminded of the policy and the student’s parent will be contacted. If a student blatantly disregards the health and safety of others and/or refuses to comply with wearing a face covering, discipline will be in accordance with the Code of Student Conduct. **Per policy, a face covering**

shall be worn during change of classes even if it involves use of outside areas. Proper wearing of a face covering should cover both the nose and mouth of the person and should fit snugly against the sides of the person's face with no gaps.

Per School Board Policy 2170-E, NO STUDENT or EMPLOYEE shall wear a face covering that has markings that are suggestive, revealing, indecent, associated with gangs or cults, encourage the use of drugs, alcohol, or violence, or support discrimination on the basis of age, color, ethnicity, gender, gender identity, gender expression, linguistic differences, marital status, national origin, race, religion, socioeconomic background, sexual orientation, physical appearance, or any other basis. Additionally, face coverings shall not be used to promote a political party or an individual seeking elected office. (Indecent, suggestive, and revealing refer to exposure of private body parts and/or pictures or words with a sexual connotation.)

- **Classroom Set Up:** Public health guidelines recommend desks in classrooms to be 6 feet apart. We have set up our classrooms according to this guidance. Depending on the results of the survey and the number of students who decide to engage in the on-campus eLearning model, and in the accordance to the capacity of the classrooms following CDC guidelines, we have planned for overflow areas. In classes that are over capacity, students will be scheduled into the overflow areas on a rotating basis and will be informed.
- **Cleaning:** Our top priority is keeping everyone safe and healthy. The STMS facilities team will continue to provide cleaning of high frequency touch points throughout the day. Classrooms will be cleaned each evening and students will have sanitizing wipes to clean their desks in between class changes. Hand sanitizer will be available in every classroom and throughout the campus. Additionally, misters have been ordered for deep cleaning as well. All air filters on campus have been replaced by BCPS.
- **Signage/Traffic Flow:** When dismissed from classes, students should walk directly to their next class, following the traffic pattern indicated by signage on the halls, doors, and floors. Congregating in hallways or in any area of the campus will not be allowed and students are expected to follow 6 feet physical distancing. Students will use the restroom when necessary, while following CDC guidelines. We have provided visual reminders inside and outside of the restrooms.
- **Supplies:** Students will not share school supplies. There will not be paper worksheets, shared physical textbooks, non-virtual science labs, shared physical instructional materials, or other instances of shared resources. **Students should bring their fully charged laptop, adaptor/charger and earbuds/headphones (with microphone) to campus daily as part of their school supplies.** Power strips will be set up around the classroom so that students can charge their device throughout the day; however, **we kindly ask that your child come to school with a fully charged laptop each day.** Assignments and textbooks will remain electronic via Teams and Canvas as part of the eLearning model.

We understand you may have further questions or concerns regarding the eLearning Phase 2 implementation process. As always, your Apollo Middle School staff is here to answer any questions you may have. Please call 754-323-2900 with any questions or concerns. You can also access a list of Frequently Asked Questions by clicking [here](#). Additionally, by clicking [here](#) you can access the Broward County Public School eLearning Phase 2 of School Reopening Discussion Presentation. We hope these documents can provide further guidance and support to you during this time.

Our intention is to provide a first-rate education for your child while also keeping him/her safe and healthy. Thank you very much for your understanding, cooperation, and patience. We will get through this together.