

# CARLYNTON SCHOOL DISTRICT REENTRY PLAN

Community Excellence Character

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# Preparing for Phase 2

- Carlynton School District Reopened Remotely
  - Classes began on Monday, August 24 for all students
  - On September 15, this model was extended until the end of the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter
  - The remote model was valued for the consistent delivery of instruction five days per week
- Original plan called for either 50% or 100% capacity in the next phase
  - 50% uses a Hybrid Model of both remote and in person instruction
  - 100% uses the Traditional Model
  - All elements of the District Health and Safety Plan implemented
  - Remote Learning will be available to students in all phases



# Considerations for Next Phase

- A recent survey provided the following information
  - 60% of families are comfortable sending their child back full time
  - 40% of students will require District transportation
- Transmission Rates
  - Transmission rates in our three Boroughs are low
  - Zero student cases have been reported since the beginning of the school year
- Operations
  - The District has safely offered extracurricular activities with minimal issues
  - The District has allowed spectators to attend events with minimal issues
  - 98% of staff are healthy and able to report to work
- Educational Value
  - Consistent model of delivering services to our students
  - A model with increased face to face instruction is more effective
  - More services can be provided to students in a face to face model

# Phased Reentry Recommendation

- Grades K-3
  - Students report 4 days per week (MTRF) beginning Thursday, October 29
- Grades 4-12
  - Students report 2 days per week (TR) beginning Thursday, November 5
- K-12 Life Skills and Autistic Support Students
  - Students report 4 days per week (MTRF) beginning Thursday, October 29
- Remote Learning continues for all students who remain at home
- Our goal is to safely phase in additional days per week at all levels

# Life Skills and Autistic Support

- Life Skills and Autistic Support
  - Students report 4 days per week
  - Students receive face to face instruction for the majority of their coursework
  - Due to scheduling constraints, students will receive some instruction over the computer in the classroom.
  - Wednesday – Students continue to learn from home using the same model we are currently using
  - This model begins on Thursday, October 29
  - Staff members will reach out to each family to share more detailed information

# Grades K-3

- Students in Grades K-3
  - Students report 4 days per week (MTRF)
  - Students receive face to face instruction for all coursework
  - Students will remain in their classroom for the majority of the day
    - Teachers will rotate into classroom as much as possible
  - Students will report directly to their classroom after exiting the bus
  - Bus schedules will be modified by approximately 15 minutes
  - Cafeterias, gymnasiums, and classrooms will be used to serve lunch
  - Wednesday – Students continue to learn from home using the same model we are currently using
  - This model begins on Thursday, October 29

# Grades 4 - 6

- Students in Grades 4-6
  - Students report 2 days per week (TR)
  - Students receive face to face instruction for all coursework
  - Teachers will rotate into classroom as much as possible
  - Students will report directly to their classroom after exiting the bus
  - Bus schedules will be modified by approximately 15 minutes
  - Cafeterias, gymnasiums, and classrooms will be used to serve lunch
  - MWF – Students continue to learn from home using the same model we are currently using
  - This model begins on Thursday, November 5

# Grades 7-12

- Students in Grades 7-12
  - Students report 2 days per week (TR)
  - Students receive face to face instruction for all coursework
  - Cafeteria and hallways will be used to serve lunch
  - MWF – Students continue to learn from home using the same model we are currently using
  - This model begins on Thursday, November 5



# Overview

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
26 Remote Learning All Students	27 Remote Learning All Students	28 Remote Learning All Students	29 K-3 & LS/AS Report 4-12 Remote Learning	30 K-3 & LS/AS Report 4-12 Remote Learning
2 K-3 & LS/AS Report 4-12 Remote Learning	3 Schools Closed for Election Day	4 Remote Learning All Students	5 All Students K-12 Report to School	6 K-3 & LS/AS Report 4-12 Remote Learning
9 K-3 & LS/AS Report 4-12 Remote Learning	10 All Students K-12 Report to School	11 Schools Closed for Veteran's Day	12 All Students K-12 Report to School	13 K-3 & LS/AS Report 4-12 Remote Learning

# Start Times Elementary

- Face to Face Instruction
  - Reporting time at the elementary level is 8:25AM
  - Dismissal time at the elementary level is 3:00PM
  - Drop off and pick up protocols will be communicated by elementary principals
- Remote Instruction
  - We will continue to use the same schedule we are currently using
  - Instruction begins at 9:00AM

# Start Times Secondary

- Face to Face Instruction
  - Reporting time at the secondary level is 7:25AM
  - Dismissal time at the secondary level is 2:07PM
  - Drop off and pick up protocols will be communicated by Mr. Loughren
- Remote Instruction
  - We will continue to use the same schedule we are currently using
  - Instruction begins at 8:00AM

# Students Electing for Remote Learning

- Remote learning will be available to all students
  - Students will continue to access instructional activities using their Chromebooks
  - Google Classroom will be updated regularly with new instructional activities
  - Teachers will Livestream classroom activities
  - We are still conscientious of screen time learning at home
  - When face to face instruction is offered, students learning from home will follow the school's regular schedule:
    - Elementary begins at 8:30 AM
    - Secondary begins at 7:30 AM
  - When all students are learning remotely, students will follow the same schedule they are presently following.
  - Food Service will continue to provide free meals to all students

# Moving Forward

- Monitor all safety and instructional protocols and practices
- Expand or reduced the proposed model by adding or eliminating instructional days
- Maintain communication with the Allegheny County Department of Health

# Carlynton Health & Safety Plan

- Cleaning, sanitizing, disinfecting, and ventilating learning spaces, surfaces, and any other areas used by students.
  - All high touch surfaces will be disinfected regularly, including water stations, door handles, light switches, handrails, bathrooms, and student desks
  - Electrostatic sprayers (improve infection control and spread of virus) will be used for large areas and short time frames
  - Increased number of no touch flush toilets and water filling stations with disposable cups
  - HVAC systems working at full capacity
  - Classrooms will have disinfectant wipes and hand sanitizer
    - Students will clean desks after every use
  - Increased cleaning of school buses
  - Limit the use of shared materials in classrooms



# Carlynton Health & Safety Plan

- Classroom learning space that allows for separation among students and staff throughout the day to maximum extent possible
  - All classrooms have been reconfigured
  - New furniture purchased to create space
  - Distancing signs used to control distance
  - Encourage parents to provide transportation
  - Movement staggered when possible to minimize hallway traffic
  - Examine possible congestion areas and implement strategies such as one way hallways, one way staircases, and multiple exits from cafeterias



# Carlynton Health & Safety Plan

- Restricting the use of cafeterias and other congregate settings, and serving meals in alternate settings such as classrooms
  - Cafeteria and food service areas will operate at reduced seating capacity
  - Alternative locations will be used to create more space at all three building
  - Directional arrows will be used to help traffic flow
  - Students provided meals without using pin pad
  - Limit the amount of exposed food and maximize grab and go meals
  - HPE outdoors when possible focus on fitness and wellness activities





# Carlynton Health & Safety Plan

- Hygiene practices for students and staff including manner and frequency of hand washing and other best practices
  - Secondary Level
    - Sanitation stations set up throughout building
    - Students encouraged to wash hands regularly
  - Elementary Level
    - Hand washing schedules developed
    - Hand washing prior to and after all meals/snacks
  - All levels
    - Hand sanitizer in all classrooms
    - Hygiene and safety precautions reinforced in all content areas
    - Desks cleaned at the end of every period



# Carlynton Health & Safety Plan

- Monitoring students and staff for symptoms and history of exposure, isolation, and return
  - Individuals provided with signs, symptoms, and updates
  - If an individual is symptomatic they will be instructed to stay home
  - Report any diagnosis of COVID-19 or seasonal flu
  - Temperature screening will be conducted upon arrival and potentially throughout the day
  - Individuals exhibiting symptoms will be sent to the nurse for screening and potentially isolated, parents on call to take their child home if they are ill
  - Readmission to school will require clearance from physician and/or consultation with ACDH
  - Remote learning will always be available to students



# Carlynton Health & Safety Plan

- Posting signs, restricting visitors, and handling of recess and PE
  - Variety of signs posted in multiple languages
    - High visibility area and website
    - Promote everyday protective measures
    - How to stop the spread of germs
  - Visitors will not permitted in buildings
    - Required meetings can occur face to face or remotely
    - Use electronic signatures when permitted
    - Facility usage will be restricted
  - Recess and PE
    - Occur outdoors when possible
    - No use of playground equipment
    - Cohort grouping of students
    - Intramural activities offered in classrooms
    - Hand washing and sanitizing before and after use



# Carlynton Health & Safety Plan

- Protecting students and staff at higher risk
  - Leave options continue to be available including FFCRA, FMLA, and paid leave options
  - Students at higher risk provided with options to complete academic work remotely
  - Support emotional wellbeing
    - Allegheny Health Network - Chill Room
    - Wesley Family Services
    - School Counselors
    - School Psychologists
    - School Nurses



# Carlynton Health & Safety Plan

- Use of masks
  - All individuals will be required to wear a mask
  - Masks will be provided to those in need
  - Shields will be provided to those who would like added protection
  - All individuals will wear a mask while using district transportation



# Confirmed Case Procedure

- In the event of a confirmed case of student or staff
  - Individual remains home for at least 10 days and does not return until they are symptom free for 3 days
  - Contact tracing conducted to determine if others need to be quarantined
    - District consults with ACHD
    - Individual parents are notified if there is a need for quarantine along with specific guidance and information
    - Quarantined individuals remain at home for 14 days and return if they are symptom free
    - Positive case counts will be updated on the District website

# Engaging – Flexible - Safe

- Working together we are confident we will continue to provide valuable learning experiences to our students
- All phases of instruction are designed to create a safe and engaging learning environment for all students
- All phases of instruction create flexibility for all students
- All phases of instruction provide additional support for all students

