



Reopening **FAQ**

What will my child's schedule be like?

If you choose in-person instruction for your child, s/he will attend school on either Mon/Tue OR Th/Fr (K-8). While your student is out of school, s/he will continue to be taught by their teachers virtually.

If you choose virtual learning, your child will attend virtual classes Mon, Tue and Th, Fri (Wednesday's will be virtual and include mass and additional teacher support, resource and enrichment).

If I select virtual learning for the semester, who will teach my child?

K-4: A designated virtual teacher will instruct full-time virtual learners at this level.

5-8: Students in Grade 5 will be taught by all three departmentalized teachers on a daily block schedule. Students in Grades 6-8 will attend blended (virtual/in-person) classes with teachers by subject.

If my child starts the school year with virtual learning, can s/he switch to in-person instruction?

For logistical purposes, students who enroll in virtual learning will be required to commit for the entire first semester. We will reassess the need for continued virtual learning for the second semester based on the status of the pandemic.

If my child starts the year with in-person instruction, can s/he switch to virtual learning?

Students may switch to virtual learning at any time. However, in doing so, they must commit to completing the rest of the semester virtually, with the option to return to in-person instruction for the second semester. Students who need to quarantine may switch to virtual learning in the hybrid model, returning to in-person instruction once they are medically cleared (see the handbook for details).

If my child does virtual learning, will there be an opportunity to "meet the teacher" before the school year begins?

Yes, virtual meetings including Back-to-School Night and Meet-the-Teacher Orientations for students and families will occur during the first week of school.

Will I be able to meet with my child's teacher throughout the school year?

Parent meetings will be held weekly on Wednesdays by homeroom in K-5. Middle School teachers will be available on Wednesdays and by appointment.

How will curriculum in virtual and in-person groups be aligned?

Teacher teams in all grades will share common plans for core instruction, whether in-person or virtual, during all models. This consistency will help teachers keep students in the classroom on pace with students at home. K-4 virtual students may be grouped into sections, taught by a single, dedicated teacher, as numbers permit. Students in Grades 5-8 attending virtually will have "live instruction" for core classes, homeroom, and other optional periods with their teachers and classmates. Additional meeting support will be provided.

When will my Middle School student receive a Chromebook?

Middle school students will receive Chromebooks before school starts. The schedule for distribution will be provided via all-school communication.

When will my virtual-learning student be able to pick up class materials?

Full-time virtual learners will be able to pick up materials before school starts; a schedule for pickup will be distributed.

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How much time will my child be expected to spend on the computer daily (if in virtual learning scenario)?

PreK-1: 1-2 hrs daily

Grades 2-5: 2-3 hrs daily

Grades 6-8: 3-4.5 hrs daily

How much time will my child spend asynchronously on schoolwork each day?

Students will spend 1-2 hours on asynchronous course-work per day; this will vary by grade level.

What technology will be provided or needed for virtual learning?

Middle School students will be provided a Chromebook at the beginning of the year. Students in K-5 will need access to a device at home.

What are the expectations of parents and caregivers during virtual learning?

Adult supervision and assistance may be needed to help students stay on task with technology, finding assignments or reading directions, and other school-related requirements. Parents or caregivers will have access to digital trainings at the beginning of the year to help them support students learning digitally.

What will be the grading structure?

For both in-person instruction and virtual learning, students will be assessed using traditional grading scales (see handbook) in all core subjects.

Will Specials classes be offered?

Specials will be offered both synchronously and asynchronously, at reduced capacity due to the demands of the academic model with the focus of our efforts on core content this year. Specials are optional in K-5 and pass/fail in Middle School. Religious instruction will be required for all students.

Will enrichment/differentiation be offered?

Enrichment opportunities will be offered by teachers regularly, and additional enrichment opportunities will occur on Wednesdays. Teachers will offer additional support to students via small groups and scheduled individual meeting times as needed.

Will After School Care be offered?

After School Care will be available for students receiving in-person instruction. Student groups will be assigned by grade and they will remain in their designated classrooms until pick-up.

Will extracurricular activities be offered?

Per the Diocese of Raleigh, student athletics will be suspended until further notice. After school activities will not meet in person, but limited club offerings may be offered on a virtual platform. As well, only virtual field trips and special guest speakers will be permitted—due to health and safety concerns associated with travelling off-campus, all in-person field trips are suspended for the school year.

How will Mass and Friday Morning Prayer be handled?

We will provide weekly Mass and Friday Morning Prayer virtually.

What are the expectations for uniforms?

All K-8 students will be expected to wear uniforms daily, whether enrolled virtually or in-person.

If my child is enrolled in virtual learning, will any opportunities for socializing be offered?

Many parents who have expressed an interest in the distance learning option have talked about “closed cohorts” for social interaction where the small group of students would be limited to interaction with each other for safety. While the school cannot set these up, we encourage parents to consider their circumstances and comfort with such activities.

When will the day begin and end (Drop-off and Dismissal)?

Morning car line screenings will begin promptly at 7:30am every day. Dismissal will begin at 3:00pm.