

Olympia Parent Forum



August 25, 2020

Returning to Olympia

This slideshow contains important information regarding school reopening. Please note that some info may have changed since this was presented on August 25, 2020.

Within this slide show, click on the Olympia logo to be taken to the Return to School Handbook.



Reopening Guiding Principles

We are committed to bringing back as many students back to school safely possible using the guidance from State Education and the Department of Health.

We will prioritize:

- Providing high quality, equitable teaching and learning experiences
- Attending to the social emotional needs of our students
- Being consistent (but not rigid) across the system
- Two way communication with stakeholders (parents, students and staff)

Meeting Guidelines

- The meeting is being recorded and will be posted on our website
- We have reviewed all submitted questions and will do our best to answer them within this presentation.
- We will have some time for questions at the end.
- We will use the “Raise Your Hand” feature within Zoom for questions.
- This is a respectful, supportive environment where all opinions are valued.



Agenda

1. Health and Safety
2. Schedule
3. Instruction
4. School Supplies
5. Transportation
6. Arrival and Dismissal
7. Breakfast/Lunch
8. Extracurricular Activities
9. Supports for Students
10. Important Dates/Upcoming Info



*What Steps are Being
Taken Regarding
Health and Safety?*



Daily Health Assessment

- Every student should complete the health screening checklist *before* leaving for school.
- This checklist can be found on page 8 of the “Return to School Handbook”

IN-PERSON LEARNING

Daily Home Health Screening For Students

Every Greece Central School District student should go through the following checklist each morning before leaving for in-person instruction.

SELF-SCREENING QUESTIONNAIRE

- Temperature 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit or higher when taken by mouth
- Sore throat
- New uncontrolled cough that causes difficulty breathing (for students with chronic allergic/asthmatic cough, a change in their cough from baseline)
- Diarrhea, vomiting, or abdominal pain
- New onset of severe headache, especially with a fever
- Had close contact (within six feet) with a person with confirmed COVID-19
- Had close contact (within six feet) with a person currently under quarantine for possible exposure
- Traveled to a restricted state (per current NYS guidance)

FAQs

Will temperature checks be done at school?
Every school will have teachers themselves for reasons to use as needed but we will not be screening students upon arrival. If symptoms present at any point during the school day, the nurse will evaluate the student privately and contact the parent if necessary.

What happens if a child becomes sick during the school day?
If a student displays symptoms of COVID-19 during the school day, he or she will be moved to a health isolation room and sent home. The family will be contacted and a parent or guardian is expected to pick the child up in a reasonable amount of time. The school nurse and district medical director will work closely with families, primary care physicians and the Monroe County Department of Public Health to coordinate COVID-19 testing if symptoms warrant. For more information on testing and contact tracing protocols, please turn to page 14.

Sending a student to school who has exhibited COVID-19 symptoms in the last 24 hours places other students and staff members at risk of becoming ill. It also increases the likelihood that schools will have to temporarily close. When in doubt, keep your child home and consult your personal physician.

If you checked any of the above boxes, your child should stay home and you should contact the school nurse.

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Health and Safety

If a person exhibits COVID-19 symptoms during the school day:

- They will be isolated from others
- Parent/guardian transport home
- Parent/guardian contacts child's doctor



Health and Safety

Those sent home with COVID-19 symptoms will need medical documentation/negative test results to return to school



Health and Safety

What happens if someone tests positive?

- DOH is the lead agency
- They determine through contact tracing, who needs to be isolated/quarantined and for how long

What can shut us down (full remote)?

- 9% positivity rate in the region OR lack of staff/faculty due to absenteeism

Health and Safety

- Hallway signs, informational videos and presentations from admins and teachers will reinforce health and safety guidelines.



Face Coverings

Masks that cover the nose and mouth are required while:

- at the bus stop
- on the bus
- in the building

No gators, bandanas or scarves.



Face Coverings

- Masks may be removed while eating breakfast or lunch
- Teachers and staff will designate appropriate times for students to take “mask breaks” for a specified amount of time.



Common Spaces

- Social distancing will be encouraged whenever possible



Common Spaces



Classrooms

- Classrooms have been set-up to maximize social distancing.
- There will be classrooms, during certain periods, where it is not possible to seat students exactly six feet apart.
- It is mandatory that students wear masks in all classroom settings at all times.

*What Does the
Schedule Look Like?*



Student Groups

- Group 1:
 - Students with last name A-L
 - Attend Mondays and Thursdays
- Group 2:
 - Students with last name M-Z
 - Attend Tuesdays and Fridays



Student Groups

- Group 3:
 - All students that are English Language Learners or 12:1:1 students
- Group 4: Those families that have opted for full-time, at home learning



	A/F- Mon (Groups 1 & 3)	B/G- Tues (Groups 2 & 3)	C/H-Wed. (all virtual)	D/I- Thur (Groups 1 & 3)	E/J- Fri (Groups 2 & 3)
Period 1 7:35-8:57	Set 1	Set 1		Set 5	Set 5
Period 2 9:05-10:27	Set 2	Set 2		Set 6	Set 6
Period 3 10:35-12:35	Set 3	Set 3		Set 7	Set 7
Period 4 12:43-2:05	Set 4	Set 4		Set 8	Set 8

*What About
Wednesdays?*



Wednesday: At Home Learning

- All students will be assigned a teacher in the building.
- Each student will do a virtual 30 minute check-in with this teacher every Wednesday morning
- Sometime between 8 and 9 am (will be specified soon)



Wednesday: At Home Learning

- Purpose:
 - Have a trusted adult to connect with
 - Kick-start the day.
- Students are expected to complete lessons or assignments that were provided by their teacher



*What Does Instruction
Look Like?*



Instruction

- Two important terms:
 - Synchronous Learning: instructor and students are connected and working on the same lesson
 - Asynchronous Learning: instruction or lesson completion that does not occur at the same time



Instruction

- Teachers will use a combination of synchronous and asynchronous lessons plans to help students meet essential learning standards.



<p>Mon, 9/14/20</p>	<p>Group 1 and 3 at Olympia</p>	<p>Group 2 and 4 at Home</p>
<p>ELA 9</p>	<p>Teacher takes attendance</p>	
	<p>Teacher sets agenda and assigns tasks</p>	
	<p>Live teaching</p>	<p>Watching recorded video</p>
	<p>Students work in small groups on practice problems or assignment; teacher supports in-person</p>	<p>Remote students meet in breakout room(s) to work together on practice problems/assignments; teacher remotely checks in on groups</p>
	<p>Exit Ticket and Wrap Up</p>	

Mon, 9/14/20	Group 1 and 3 at Olympia	Group 2 and 4 at Home
Algebra	Teacher takes attendance	
	Teacher sets agenda and assigns tasks	
	Live teaching	Students watch recorded video of instruction and complete the assigned work asynchronously on their own.
	Students work in small groups on practice problems or assignment; teacher supports in-person	
Exit Ticket		

Instruction



Google Classroom

School Supplies

- **Chromebook** - charged and ready to use everyday
- Headphones are encouraged
- Classroom teachers will tell students what is needed for their classes (switch to digital platform has changed what was previously requested)



School Supplies

- Limited shared supplies in classrooms
 - Students may stop by their grade level unit office if they need pens, paper or folders (*limited supply).



*How Will Students
Arrive and Dismiss
from School?*



Transportation



- Transportation Guidelines:

- Masks Required on busses at all times
- Bus Capacity will be reduced by $\frac{1}{2}$
- Seating choices will be limited
- Buses will be cleaned after every run
- Window/Hatches will be opened for improved ventilation



Transportation



- Late busses (3:30) will begin on Monday, September 21.
- These bus runs will be reserved for students enrolled in the Twilight afterschool program and PM WEMOCO students, and other approved after school activities.



Student Arrival to School

By bus	Exit the bus when dismissed and enter the building. Maintain social distancing.
Parent drop off prior to 7:35	Exit car in the front loop. Enter the building with face covering on. Maintain social distancing.
Parent drop off after 7:35	Exit car in the front loop. Enter the building with face covering on. Go directly to attendance desk to sign in.



Students will be admitted into the cafeteria by staff to get their breakfast and assigned a location to eat.



Student Dismissal from School

By bus	Students will be dismissed by bus number as they arrive. Dismissal announcements will start at 1:50. Exit the building & immediately board your bus.
Parent pick-up Prior to 2:05	An announcement will be made calling these students down. Exit the building and go directly to the car.
Walkers	Announcement will be made after buses are boarded
Parent pick-up after 2:05	Any students whose ride has yet to arrive will be directed to the cafeteria to wait.



Students will not be allowed to gather in front of the building.

How Will Breakfast and Lunch Work?



Breakfast & Lunch

- All students at Olympia now receive free breakfast and lunch (Community Eligibility Provision)
- Students will be provided with an ID/barcode that allows for touchless “purchase.”



Breakfast

- Students may grab breakfast as they arrive at Olympia
- Cafeteria will be arranged to allow for social distancing
- Currently working on a plan to allow students to eat in teachers' classrooms beginning at 7:15



Lunch

- Three lunches are built into the schedule.
- Each lunch is 30 minutes
- There is 15 minutes between each lunch to allow for proper cleaning and set-up.



Meals for Students Learning-at-Home

- Five days a week, Olympia will offer take-home breakfast and lunch to students that are at home.
- Distribution details are still being finalized
- Must present an ID and it is only for students who attend Olympia.



*What Extracurricular
Opportunities are
Available?*



Extracurricular Activities

- No extracurricular activities at this time.
- State and local guidance regarding athletics and other approved school-based activities is updated regularly.
- Updates will be shared in the weekly Principal's newsletter.



*What Supports Are
Available for My Child?*



Social Emotional Support

- Emotional well-being is our priority.
- Focus on the transition back to school the week of September 14.
- Universal screening survey given to all students the week of September 21.
- Each student will be assigned a staff member to check-in weekly.
- Wednesday check-ins to monitor student progress.
- Referrals for additional in-school and community resources.



What's Next?



Upcoming Dates

Grade 6 Orientation:

- Monday, August 31 9:00 AM - 1:30 PM
- Tuesday, September 1, 2:30 PM - 7:00 PM



Upcoming Dates

Virtual Learning Days:

- September 10th and 11th (details forthcoming)

First Day of In-Person/Classroom Instruction:

- September 14th



Communication

- “Olympia News” has resumed (Sunday nights)
 - Please make sure your email is up-to-date
- Connect Ed messages
 - Please make sure your phone number is up-to-date
- Possible online access to schedule available first week of September
- School mailer



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