

PGCPSFall 2020 Reopening Plan

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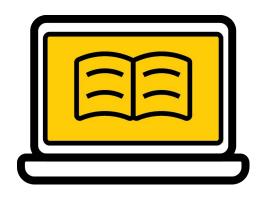
COVID-19 in Prince George's County



- 7% COVID-19 positivity rate, as of June 28, down from 43% for the week of April 19
- 451 newly-diagnosed cases that week, down from high of 2,423 for the the week of April 26
- New cases are on a downward trend.

Source: Prince George's County Government

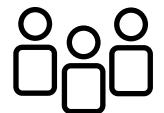
Instruction Model Options



Distance Learning



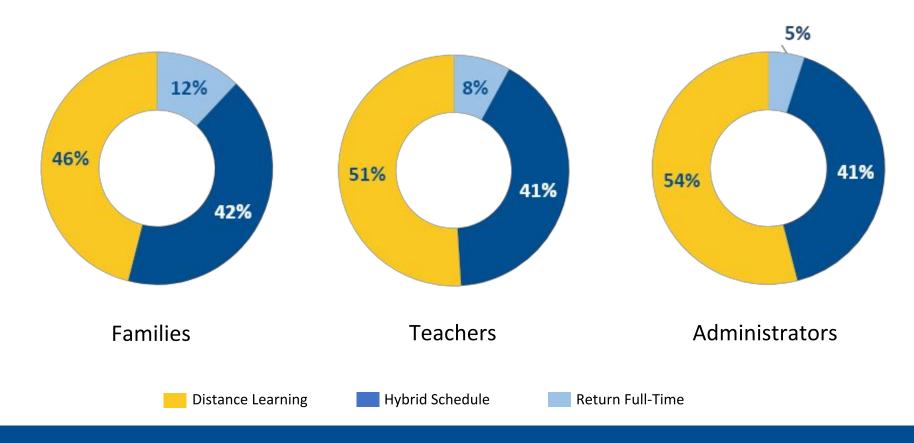




AM Hybrid In-Person

Instruction Model Selection Process

Families and educators were surveyed in June:



Instruction Model Priorities



Safety – Supports the health and wellbeing of students and staff.



Equity – Provides ALL students with the tools needed for success.



Excellence – Offers high-quality teaching and learning opportunities.

Hybrid In-Person Model Challenges

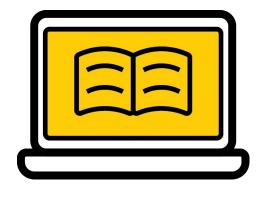


Safety – Increasing opportunities for exposure to COVID-19; enforcing compliance with social distancing and other safety recommendations.



Logistics – Ensuring safe transportation to and from school; providing safe school meal preparation and service.

Our New Distance Learning Model



- Teachers will have the option to teach from their classrooms.
- Teachers will conduct live and scheduled lessons.
- Lessons will be held five days a week during regular school hours.
- Breakout sessions will support special needs students and English language learners.
- Technology will be provided on a 1:1 ratio.

Student Supports

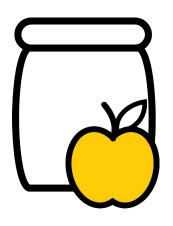
Instructional Supports

 Students will have opportunities for both individual and small group support to build strengths in core subjects.

Social and Emotional Supports

- Elementary students will have components built into their classes.
- Secondary students will have strategies immersed throughout content areas.

Family Supports



Parent Support Centers

New centers will assist families with tech support and other needs, such as navigating aspects of distance learning or accessing instructional packets.

School Meals

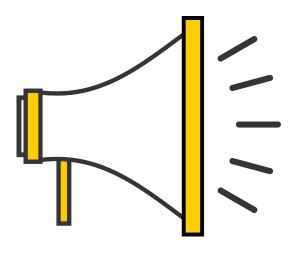
All schools will serve as meal sites and offer twice a week pickups, similar to the model we used this spring.

Digital Device Distribution



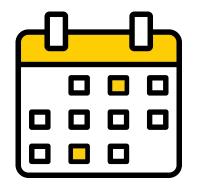
- Students will continue using PGCPS
 Chromebooks they received in the spring.
- Chromebooks and wifi hotspots for new students will be distributed in the coming weeks.
- The Connect PGCPS initiative will continue to provide low- or no-cost Internet access to families.

Interscholastic Athletics



All sports are on hold while using the distance learning model.

Key Dates



Aug. 31 – First Day of School: Distance learning will begin for all grade levels through the end of second quarter in January.

Dec. 1-18: If it is safe to do so, PGCPS will offer families the option to continue distance learning or begin hybrid instruction for the remainder of the school year.

February to June – Second Semester: Depending on conditions, PGCPS will implement a hybrid staggered schedule with two days of in-person learning and three days of distance learning. Full-time distance learning will continue for those students who opted in.

Moving Forward

No scenario is perfect or comparable to a traditional school year. Our students and families are facing a disproportionate impact of the COVID-19 outbreak. While it is a difficult decision to not reopen our school buildings for instruction, it is necessary to keep our students and communities safe.

Next Steps

- Draft comprehensive report was released outlining supports for all students during the distance learning phase and present full plan to Board of Education in July 30, 2020.
- Provide timely communication with families through the Reopen PGCPS webpage, email, social media and more.

Reopen PGCPS website

Visit the PGCPS website for the latest updates and information on the Reopening Plan:

www.pgcps.org/reopen