

Bryantville Elementary School

Return to Learning-Updates

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WELCOME and THANK YOU

We are **SO PROUD** of our students and grateful to you!

GREAT JOB!



BES Return to Learning: Overview

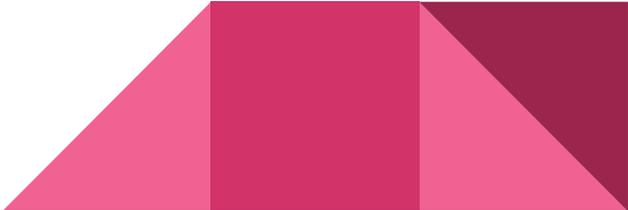
Any adjustments made to the plan below would be made based on an analysis of local health metrics. Decisions are made on a district-level by the school committee.

2 Phases-

Week of 3/15-Return of grades 2 and 3

Week of 3/29-Return of grades 4-6

Note: 4 days of in person instruction-remote Mondays continue until at least 4/12.



BES Return to Learning Schedule: Student Movement

Changes to Student Movement:

- Grade level halls and classrooms remain mostly the same. Some classroom relocations to spacing.
 - Library, LGI, Courtyards, Gymnasium, field space, and extra classrooms for mask and movement breaks
 - Unidirectional outside hallways; bi-directional inside hallways
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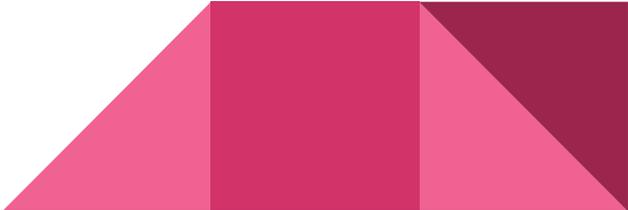
BES Return to Learning: PPE and Air Circulation

Staff, like students, must wear face masks, except when eating (or during teacher announced mask breaks).

Students should bring masks from home but the school will provide masks to students, as needed (e.g. lost/broken).

Each classroom has a univent that continually brings in fresh air. Windows will remain open as is feasible.

Classroom doors remain closed, as this allows for optimal functioning.



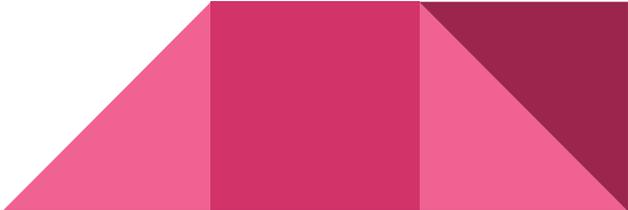
BES Return to Learning: PPE

Plexiglass barriers are in place for staff who will be working closely 1:1 with students (SLT, social workers, guidance, Kindergarten, and special education teachers). Teachers have plexiglass barriers as requested.

There are sanitizing wipes in each room that are used by students to disinfect their desk and chair at the end of each class and as needed.

Each custodian has an atomizer, for disinfecting large areas (e.g., after student lunches, nightly after classrooms are cleaned and swept).

Also, each building has a UV wand that can be used to disinfect other areas, as needed.



BES Return to Learning: Handwashing

Each classroom has a sink, soap, and paper towels as well hand-sanitizer.

Students wash their hands at the end of every experience

- ❖ After snacks, specialists, lunch, recess, etc

Additionally, hand sanitizer is easily accessible everywhere throughout the building, outside the building, and contains the recommended level (60% isopropyl) of alcohol for disinfecting.



BES Return to Learning: Late arrivals & early dismissals

Parents can call the main office or should check in from the front of the building/building speaker.

Early dismissal procedures or late drop off is similar to our previous practice with the exception that parents wait outside the main doors for their children or can call from your car.

- ❖ Administrators will complete the information needed for the dismissal book (time & reason).



BES Return to Learning: Health room

Nurse Haley has conducted multiple training on monitoring and reporting on student or staff health concerns.

Health triage area:

- ❖ Any student that goes to the nurse waits in this triage in a different area for a health assessment.
- ❖ Students who have non-covid related sx's would be treated in the standard health room.
- ❖ Students who have potential covid related symptoms would be housed in separate health room next to the science room.
 - ❖ Nurse Haley would contact the parents and facilitate pick up outside bus entrance doors in the rear of the building to minimize student's movement within the building
 - ❖ The bathroom closest to the new health room doors is being reserved for student(s) that may present with covid-related sx's. Disinfecting routines will be implemented after each student use.

BES Return to Learning: Student bathroom procedures

Past practice remains—with social distancing in place

There are **2 students** allowed at a time in each bathroom.

- ❖ Students have individual bathroom passes provided to them.
 - ❖ Teachers have established a sign-in/sign-out room procedure
 - ❖ There are two hooks on each bathroom door. The student places his/her pass on one of the empty hooks.
 - ❖ If there are no empty hooks, the student waits for an opening on a social distancing marker.
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BES Return to Learning: class-based procedures

Students desks are placed:

- ❖ Grades K-2--6 feet apart
- ❖ Grade 3-6--no less than 5 feet apart

Classrooms only contain student desks & chairs (in rows), 1 teacher desk, LCD cart & 1 file cabinet.

Students may use a sanitizing wipe to clean & disinfect their desk and chair.



BES Return to Learning: Homeroom Changes

Letters have been sent home regarding any changes to students' homerooms. Changes made to homerooms are based on the following criteria:

- ❖ Maintaining staff and students' safety--maximizing space
- ❖ Students' educational needs and the ability to provide special services as is required by law for some students.



Student lunch procedures:

At the start of the day, students place their cafeteria lunch order with their teacher. Breakfast must be eaten the cafeteria at 6 feet apart. Breakfast is 10 minutes (must conclude by 8:15 AM). Lunch and snack are pre-packaged.

Lunches are grade-based and occurs in the cafeteria, outside, or in an extra classroom. Always at least 6 feet apart.

Students may remove masks and eat while seated at least 6 feet apart.



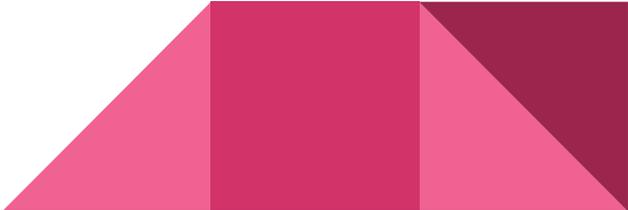
BES Return to Learning: Outdoor use

Teachers may go outside to teach or take a mask break with their classes anytime they want. Indoor mask break areas are also available.

- ❖ Courtyards are especially reserved for these mask break times. Students have 2 scheduled mask breaks in addition to recess and lunch. Students may have more scheduled breaks.

The 20' x 30' tent in the courtyard for outdoor classroom use will return as we move towards Spring.

Additional Outdoor areas are also scheduled



BES Return to Learning: Recess

2-3 classes are at recess at one time; but in separate areas so as not to mix cohorts.

No shared equipment (i.e. basketball), but can play kickball or other activities which don't require sharing materials.

No balls or other recess equipment should be brought from home

Playground equipment is sterilized after every use

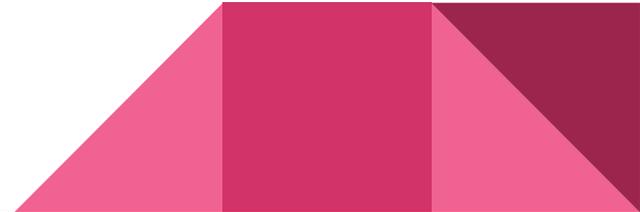


Future Meeting Dates/Events

Parent/Teacher Conferences-will be virtual on April 8th and 15th from 4:30 PM-8:30 PM

MCAS Test Dates-there will be future communications regarding this.

School Pictures-scheduled tentatively for April 27th and 28th





**Questions?
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THANK YOU**

