

February 23, 2021

Dear ASA Families.

I am so very happy to let you know that the ASA Board of Directors reached a decision last night to begin the 4th quarter of school in the hybrid learning model! We are all thrilled to be together once again, and have carefully laid plans to insure a smooth and safe transition back to on campus learning. The Community health environment continues to improve and about 90% of our teachers will be fully vaccinated by the first day of the 4th quarter.

We will implement the Yellow Hybrid Learning Model which means that students will be on campus two days each week - either Monday/Tuesday or Wednesday /Thursday. Friday will continue to be a remote learning day for most students with some exceptions for small group and individualized academic work. During the week beginning on March 22nd Middle School Grades (5-8) and SENIORS will return to campus on their assigned days. Students in grades 9-11 will return to campus on their assigned days beginning the week starting on March 29th. With only 50% of our students on campus each day we will be able to follow the CDC Guidelines for safely reopening: wearing well-fitting masks at all times, social distancing, hand washing, using sanitizer throughout the day, deep cleaning, and tracking and tracing exposures to positive cases. Students will remain at home on alternate days and join their classes remotely as they currently are doing. Fridays will remain remote for the majority of students and we will continue to plan community events and offer individualized and small group instruction.

Families who elect to keep their students at home will have the option to do so through the rest of this year. In order to facilitate our planning, we need you to complete ONE MORE SURVEY so we know if your student will return to campus for online learning or remain remote for 4th guarter. Thanks to the parents who attended last night's meeting and listened in or contributed to the Call to the Public. If you missed the meeting or would like more detail and an opportunity to ask questions, I hope you will attend the Thursday, February 25th Town Hall via Zoom from 5:30-6:30 p.m. with Principal Sara Maline Bohn, me and special guest Dr. Hazem Hnaide (ASA Health and Wellness Council and a member of our Board of Directors beginning on July 1st).

As we reopen, the CDC reminds us all that safe schools are a community endeavor. Students, families, teachers, and staff should take actions to protect themselves and others. Success in preventing the transmission of Covid-19 in schools is dependent upon preventing transmission in our community. We also ask that if you do travel out-of-state during Spring Break, that you keep your student at home for seven (7) days prior to returning to campus. Students will still be able to access classes through Zoom.

I am looking forward to seeing you all beginning on March 22nd and reconnecting with our students as we celebrate the end of our 25th Anniversary Year and especially honor our graduating seniors!

Warmly,

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