

March 5, 2021

Hello ASA families!

We are so excited to welcome our students back to campus on March 22nd. As you know, the Governor issued an <u>Executive Order</u> on March 3 requiring all schools to open campus for in-person learning beginning 3/15 or after their Spring Break if it falls that week.

We know you are curious about the impact of the Governor's Executive Order on ASA's plans. Will ASA still be in a hybrid model on 3/22? YES, it will and we have answers!

Since Maricopa benchmarks remain in the *substantial* category, ASA will implement a hybrid model as planned when we return to campus on 3/22. **This means all 5th-12th graders return to campus the week of 3/22 according to their hybrid schedule.** There is no separate roll-out for 9th-11th graders as originally planned. They come the week of 3/22 as well. As a reminder, the hybrid schedule means students attend campus 2 days per week and are remote learners for the other days. In the hybrid model, Fridays remain digital days for all students.

Students will attend campus on designated days according to their A/B schedule. Your student's group (A/B) is listed at the bottom of this email. As a reminder, ASA will still offer the remote learning option for students who made that choice for 4th Quarter.

Is it possible ASA will move to a green mode before the end of the year? YES.

ASA will implement the green mode (all students back on campus daily) if the health benchmarks move from *substantial* to *moderate* or *low*. Health benchmarks are updated every Thursday, which means Fridays will be the decision point. When/ if the benchmarks are in the *moderate* or *low* category, ASA will implement a green mode the following Monday. **ASA will notify families weekly** on Fridays of the benchmark category through email and robocalls. We will inform families of the benchmark category and the mode for the following week- either yellow mode (2-day per week hybrid) or green mode (everyone on campus). If we move to green mode, students who selected remote learning can remain online.

Families new to ASA this year are invited to sign up for a time to tour campus between March 8-10. More information and sign up can be found in **this invite.** 

## Quick refresher on the hybrid model:

Beginning on March 22, all students will be organized by A, B, or remote for their academic classes in our "Yellow" Hybrid Learning Scenario. All students will follow their normal schedule and access their classes either in-person or through zoom based on their A/B/Remote assignment. Students must complete a health check survey (accessed through Canvas) before coming to campus. Review information from your teachers about where to meet once on campus.

Because of Covid, we have made some changes to class <u>locations</u>. Please review with your student. We also will have many adults ready to guide your student once they arrive- so no need to worry!

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Please review the <u>COVID-19 Student Handbook</u> before coming to campus and watch this short <u>video</u>. More PSAs to come!

This map will help you navigate both morning drop off and afternoon pick up locations.

## What to Bring to Campus

- Backpack/School Bag
- 2 Masks (wearing one and one extra)
- Water Bottle
- Lunch
- Computer (personal or ASA chromebook) fully charged
- Earbuds or headphones
- Extra pencils and pens
- Band, Guitar, or String instruments
- Planner, notebooks, binders, and additional supplies needed for classes
- Books if applicable

Please be sure to check your family / parent email accounts this evening for more detailed information regarding your student's A/B schedule!