

DELRAN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

April 1, 2021

Dear Parents and Guardians,

The Board of Education adopted recommended changes to our *Restart and Recovery Plan* this evening. Those revisions include the following:

- Millbridge, Delran Intermediate School and Delran Middle School
 - We will maintain our cohort model the week of **April 12, 2021**. **April 14, 2021** will be a Rancocas day.
 - Beginning on **April 19, 2021** we will initiate a schedule that calls for five full days of in person instruction, with lunch, while merging our current Rancocas/Delaware cohort model student of grouping into one cohort. This means students at Millbridge, Delran Intermediate School and Delran Middle School who are currently onsite hybrid learners will attend school five days per week for full days of in person instruction. Remote learners will continue to learn remotely. If your child is ever quarantined for any reason and is enrolled in grades 1 through 8 they will be able to access classroom instruction virtually. If your child is enrolled in Pre-K or Kindergarten and is ever quarantined for any reason Home Instruction services will be provided as appropriate. There are no changes to the Pre-K program.

- Delran High School
 - We will maintain our cohort model the week of **April 12, 2021**. **April 14, 2021** will be a Rancocas day.
 - All members of the Class of 2021 will be invited to attend in person instruction beginning April 19, 2021 regardless of reopening status.
 - As it relates to the remainder of the student body at DHS, beginning **either on April 19, 2021 or on a date to be determined**, Delran High School will initiate a schedule that calls for full days of instruction, with lunch, while merging our current Rancocas/Delaware cohort model of student grouping into one cohort. This means students at Delran High School who are currently onsite hybrid learners will attend school five days per week for full days of in person instruction when that schedule is initiated. Remote learners will continue to learn remotely. If your child is ever quarantined for any reason they will be able to access classroom instruction virtually.
 - Both the CDC and NJDOH provide guidance when a region is in the high risk level of public health specifically as it relates to a high school that cannot cohort students (DHS falls into this category). Due to the fact that the Southwest region of New Jersey was recently moved from moderate risk to high risk in the area of public health, the implementation date for the full student body of on site learners at DHS has yet to be determined as we examine public health factors and the primary reintegration of our Class of 2021 cohort. I will advise further under separate cover as it relates to the remainder of DHS. It is not my intention to unnecessarily delay the reintegration of the full student body.

- Transportation: All bus routes will remain as-is. Additional bus routes will not be added. As a result the capacity loads will be maximized in comparison to what they were from September through March. Each vehicle will continue to have all windows open to provide air circulation. Additionally, all health mitigation protocols will continue. Parents have the option to drop their children off at school. In many cases, Delran High School athletics contests that are “away” and a considerable distance from Delran Township will require parent transportation due to an industry wide driver shortage. More information shall be forthcoming regarding particulars.

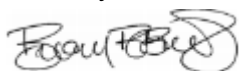
- Lunches: The District implemented an onsite lunch program in September through the middle of November and recently transitioned back to providing student lunches. We’ve done so successfully and adapted our operations for expanded student capacity. Each school is prepared to offer lunches and has made the following arrangements:
 - Millbridge: During each lunch period, 3 classes will eat in the cafeteria, spaced at 6 feet apart and 2 classes will eat in our outdoor tents spaced at six feet apart.
 - Delran Intermediate School: Students will eat in the cafeteria, gymnasium, outdoor tents and, when necessary, classrooms spaced six feet apart.
 - Delran Middle School: Students will eat in the cafeteria, gymnasium and outdoor tents spaced six feet apart.
 - Delran High School: Students will eat in the cafeteria, gymnasium, auxiliary gymnasium, outdoor tents and, if necessary, the Performing Arts Center or other defined spaces spaced six feet apart.

- Performing Arts: Our teachers have worked closely with district administration in order to safely have performing arts classes.
- Twilight Program: All information regarding Twilight specifics will be forthcoming from principals.
- Schedule Requests: Understanding that there may be families who wish to move programs, school principals will make schedule modifications between **April 2, 2021 and April 14, 2021**. Your request must be received via email during the above timeframe.
 - Changes after April 14, 2021 will not be honored.
 - Parents of K-5 students who request to change their child’s status may be reassigned to new homeroom teachers.
 - Remote parents who choose a 5 day in person program will no longer have the remote option available except for cases of quarantine and in a limited number of circumstances that would require administrative approval.

School principals will follow up with school-specific broadcasts on April 2, 2021.

We are relying on all Delran Township Public Schools families to remain vigilant in all areas of public health. Please be especially mindful of the decisions that are made outside of school as they impact the success of this next phase of facilitating expanded in person instruction.

Sincerely,



Brian Brotschul, Ed. D.
Superintendent of Schools

Spring Schedule Matrix

Grade	April 12-April 16	April 19-April 23
Pre K	No Changes	No Changes
Kindergarten	Five full days onsite with Lunch. All in person students attend.	No Changes
Grade 1 through Grade 5	Delaware/Rancocas Cohorts, Full Days with Lunch. Rancocas on site Wednesday.	All students have five full days of in person instruction, with Lunch. All in person students attend.
Grade 6 through Grade 8	Delaware/Rancocas Cohorts, Full Days with Lunch. Rancocas on site Wednesday.	All students have five full days of in person instruction, with Lunch. All in person students attend.
Grade 9 through Grade 11	Delaware/Rancocas Cohorts, Full Days with Lunch. Rancocas on site Wednesday.	To Be Determined. Either Delaware/Rancocas Cohorts, Full Days with Lunch, Delaware on site Wednesday <u>or</u> all students onsite for five full days of instruction
Grade 12	Delaware/Rancocas Cohorts, Full Days with Lunch. Rancocas on site Wednesday.	All seniors invited for on site instruction for the remainder of the school year.