Return to School - Hybrid Letter to Parents

January 6, 2021

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Main Preparatory Academy will continue with virtual instruction until Friday, January 15, 2021 and scholars will return to school in a hybrid model on Tuesday, January 19, 2021. If Summit's County color coded health alert status changes to purple, Main Prep will remain in the virtual learning model.

In the hybrid model, all scholars, except for fifth graders, will return to in-person learning two days a week. If parents would like for their child to remain learning remotely, we will accommodate all family needs.

As we continue to prepare for return to school in a hybrid model, we have been monitoring the following to ensure our school's preparedness: the health and safety guidelines, the number of scholars who are opting for virtual-only, staffing, and, most importantly, the effectiveness of our current schedules.

Teachers and scholars will be adjusting to new procedures and protocols, while also adapting to a new model of instruction. Today we are reaching out to provide some additional information about the hybrid instructional model.

The Hybrid Model of instruction will include both in-person and remote/virtual instruction. Families who opt to have their children to remain 100% virtual will attend virtual lessons on the days of their assigned Cohort group. Remote/virtual scholars will receive the same live instruction in real-time as the in-person scholars are receiving.

What is the hybrid model of instruction?

- Scholars will continue to meet with their same teachers and classmates regardless of whether they participate from home or at school.
- Hybrid Learning will allow scholars to attend school in person two days a week, with at-home, independent learning the other three days a week. However, our school start times and end times will return to the traditional hours with breakfast starting at 7:30am, the instructional day starting at 8:00am, and our school day ending at 2:30pm.
- The virtual-only scholars are expected to log on to their courses according to the regular bell schedule when they are not physically present in school.

What will the hybrid model look like for scholars?

• In the hybrid model, scholars will be divided into three cohorts - Group A, Group B, and Group C. Siblings and/or family members who live in the same household will be scheduled in the same group.

Below are the safety precautions and a sample schedule that has been put into place to make it happen.

Safety Precautions – The same safety standards that have been put into place for inperson learning will also be followed for the hybrid model. Main Prep is limited to 50% capacity and social distancing guidelines of 6 feet or more will be enforced.

Hybrid Schedule

- Group A scholars will attend school in person on Mondays and Tuesdays, with At-Home Learning on Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays.
- Group B scholars will attend school in person on Wednesdays and Thursdays with At-Home Learning on Monday's, Tuesday's, and Friday's.
- Group C: All fifth-grade scholars will be attending school daily on Monday through Thursday due to the small class size.

LEARNING TOGETHER HYBRID INSTRUCTION

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Cohort A			Independent Learning	Independent Learning	Teacher Meetings Small Learning Groups
Cohort B	Independent Learning	Independent Learning			Teacher Meetings Small Learning Groups
Cohort C Grade 5					Teacher Meetings Small Learning Groups

On January 6, 2021, staff members at Main Preparatory Academy will start calling and emailing all families to inform everyone of their child's Cohort group. Our teachers and service providers have been working really hard to deliver the best instruction and services to our scholars, and we thank you for your continued support of their work. We will continue to build on what we have learned, as we move to this next phase of our re-entry plan. Please know that, together with the support of our families and the community, we will work to ensure a successful transition for all. If you have any questions, please contact Main Preparatory Academy at 234-738-1925.