

Dear NBCA Families,

I hope you all have a great weekend, it looks like there will be some snow coming our way.

We will never forget [Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s](#) trailblazing activism and soaring vision for a just America. After being assassinated on April 4, 1968, we are left with the eloquence of his words that continue to guide us forward as we strive to become a more perfect union. Thank you, Dr. King.

"Intelligence plus character — that is the goal of true education."

"The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in moments of comfort and convenience, but where he stands at times of challenge and controversy."

On Tuesday, our in-person students will be back in our school building! The staff is very excited to see the students and work to get back to a little sense of normal. Here are some important updates:

School begins at 8:20 am, and ends at 3:00 pm

- Do not drop your child off at school prior to 8:20 am
- If your child is returning to in-person learning for the first time this year, there will be staff outside, on the sidewalk between the two entry doors with a sign that says New Students you may go here to get all the help that you need for drop off, and to have the students get assistance with getting to their classroom.
- Drop off: K-2nd grade students will be dropped off at the North childcare doors. 3-8th grade will be dropped off at the front doors. Please know that drop off doesn't begin until 8:20 am.
- Pick-up: All classes will be outside for pick-up. Parents, please wear a mask when picking up your child. K/1 grade will be by the childcare doors, 2/3rd grade will be on the middle lawn, 4th and up will be by the front doors.
- Please make sure that students bring any learning materials that they are currently using to school, including their school issued electronic device. The electronic device (Ipad or Chromebook) will travel to and from

school with them everyday. Teachers will reach out to you later this week with any other materials they may need for learning.

- Masks are required for all students and staff. Please send your child to school wearing a clean mask each day.
- Come prepared for recess and outdoor activities by bringing proper snow gear including boots, snow pants, coat, gloves, hat. All students will be going outside each day for recess unless the temperature is 10 degrees or below with wind chill.
- Traffic Reminders: Please follow all traffic signs, drive slowly, and watch for pedestrians at all times. You must follow the flow of traffic. Do not turn around in the middle of the street, or park the opposite way. Do not park in the drop-off or bus lanes at any time. No turning left onto 36th Street during arrival and dismissal times.

New Schedule for Students:

Students attending in-person for instruction will attend school Monday-Thursday only, and will be virtually every Friday for the remainder of the school year. Virtual students will follow their same schedule.

COVID Prevention

In an effort to prevent the spread of COVID, It is required that parents notify the school office (616)243-6221, if students or family members have been exposed to confirmed COVID cases. Please do not send your child to school if he/her is experiencing any COVID symptoms or has had close contact with a confirmed case.

Upcoming Dates:

Tuesday, January 26th: Mobile Dentist

Monday, February 1: Re-enrollment Begins

Tuesday, February 2 and Wednesday, February 3: KCHD Hearing and Vision Screening

Have a great weekend!

~Terry Larkin