

Butler Middle School Family Orientation for In-Person Learning

September 14, 2020



Academic Plan for In-Person and Remote

Plan:

- All students are assigned a remote HR and classes
- All teachers provide instruction virtually: ELA, Math, SS, Science, AA
- Students will access lessons/instruction from home or from school

In-School:

- In-school students will have teachers and tutors to supervise and provide additional supports to help with mastery and completion of work
- In-school teachers will take attendance, check work, grade and provide data and feedback to their assigned teacher
- In-school teachers will follow up with parents on attendance issues and student progress



A Day in the Life of a Butler Student

	A-day	B-day
8:00-8:35	Homeroom and Daily Check In	
8:35 - 9:30	Mathematics	
9:30 - 9:45	Mask Break	
9:45 - 10:40	English Language Arts	
10:40 - 10:55	Mask Break	
10:55 - 11:40	Allied Arts	
11:40 - 11:55	Mask Break	
11:55 - 12:50	Science	Social Studies
12:50 - 1:20	Lunch	
1:20 - 2:05	WIN	
2:05 - 2:35	Independent Study	
2:35 - 2:50	Dismissal	

The Academic Day

- Grade levels will be using the same electronic platforms for learning: Google Classroom and LMS **□** Teachers will communicate through the REMIND app, their email, and by phone. Devices and necessary supplies will all be provided to your child Parents will have to come to the school to sign out device and pick
 - up the materials
 - Passwords for platforms will be provided by teachers.

Classroom Example





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The Academic Day

New or Upgraded Curriculum Materials

- Learning Management System (LMS): Buzz LMS
- LEXIA
- STMath
- IXL
- Brainpop
- EdPuzzle
- Others used by teachers

All students will be taught to use these programs in the event that we have to move to remote learning.



Meals

Every child will receive breakfast and lunch each day

- All meals will be delivered and served in the classroom;
- Students will remove masks only to eat;
- Desk tops will be sanitized after each meal

The water coolers in the building will not be in use due to safety guidelines.

- A bottle of water will be provided provided with breakfast and lunch daily
- Students are encouraged to bring water from home.



Safety Precautions

- Anyone who enters the building must wear a mask
- Maintaining 6 feet of social distancing
- One way stairwells
- One class at a time will move in the hallways and stay 6ft apart
- Sanitizing stations at school entrances and in every classroom
- Limited capacities in classrooms, pull-out spaces, and restrooms
- No large gathering spaces
- Disinfecting and sanitation schedule

COVID-19 Exposure Plan

- Parents are our 1st line of defense
- If your student is showing symptoms they should remain home and get tested
 - If negative student can return to school
 24 hours after showing no symptoms (without medication)
 - □ If positive student should remain home for 10 days and please notify the school
- □ Students showing symptoms at school
 - Wait in an isolated space away from others
 - Parents will be called to pick up student
- School will notify parents of positive cases in which their student had close contact



Arrival Procedures

- Students arriving by bus will wait on the bus until Butler staff comes to the bus and ask them to exit
- □ Students arriving by car:
 - please drop grades 7 and 8 at the basketball courts entry
 - Grades 5 & 6 drop in front of school
- We will use multiple entrances to the building:
 - Grade 5 front door; wait on side walk on the left side of the building until 8:00am
 - Grade 6 front door on cafeteria side; wait on on the right side along Shaughnessy sidewalk and wait until 8:00am
 - Grade 7 door across from baseball field (please wait in basketball courts until 8 am)
- Grade 8 last door on the basketball field (please wait in basketball court until 8am) Maintain 6' distance from one another

Dismissal Procedures

Bus Dismissal:

 bus students will be dismissed by bus numbers; bus numbers will be call one at a time over the intercom and students will walk out of classrooms keeping 6th apart to their dismissal door: Gr 5/6 café door and Gr 7/8 front staircase to front door

□ Walker/Pick-up Dismissal:

- walkers will be escorted by teachers to the same dismissal doors
 - grade 5 will exit through the front door
 - grades 7/8 will be called once grade 5 has cleared the lobby
 - grade 6 will exit by café door

Dismissal may move slower than usual to ensure we are maintaining social distancing

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Attendance

- As always, student attendance will be taken daily and entered into our database system.
- If students are sick, parents should still CALL the school at 978-937-8973 for record keeping and doctor's notes should be emailed or faxed to the school to excuse absences
- Attendance will be monitored carefully by teachers and administrators.
- School-based attendance teams will follow the LPS district attendance intervention plan. We will reach out when we see many absences or a pattern of absences to create an attendance plan.
- Dismissals should be for important/emergency reasons only. Please send an email or written note to your teacher and call Mrs. McClusky in the front office.
- Because we are not permitted to have visitors in the school building, we ask you call us when you arrive to pick up your child.

Supports Available for Families

Please let us know if you need help accessing any of these supports:

- Social Worker
- Food Service Sites
- Bilingual Parent Liaisons
- Catie's Closet

Information will be sent to you by:

- REMIND (must connect with password)
- Phone Calls (need accurate number)
- ConnectEd Calls (principal)
- Emails (need accurate email address)
- Smore Newsletters
- FB or Twitter (must follow)
- School Website



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Device & Materials Distribution Plan At the Butler Middle School, we are committed to providing students and families with the technology and an agenda book their students need to learn in a remote setting.

- All students will be receiving a LPS device for the school year
- We will be providing Chromebooks to all students
- Grades 5 8 can pick up devices...
 - Tuesday and Wednesday 7:30 am 6pm
 - After September 16th, during school hours until all are distributed

Other Supplies Needed

Please bring to school everyday...

- water
- mask
- laptop and charger
- earbuds
- school issued agenda book
- notebooks as requested by teachers
- pencils (lots of them), erasers, hand held sharpener, and highlighters

We can NOT share any materials

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Device & Materials Distribution Plan

What to expect when you pick up your student computer device:

There are THREE forms families can expect when you arrive to pick up the device:

- Acceptable Use Form this 4 page document explains exactly what is considered *acceptable use* of a LPS computer device - you will take this home with you.
- Device Receipt Form a staff member will help you complete this form for our records that documents your student's information and the exact device received
- Insurance Information and web-link you will receive information about an optional insurance program which covers damage and/or loss of the device for \$24 for the full year



Next Steps

PTO - please consider joining
 Parent Workshops on learning platforms and computer use

School starts on September 17th at 8am!