Primary Prep Elementary & Middle School

COVID-19 Reopening Plan

Developed by the Primary Prep COVID Committee

Thank you

Thank you to the members of the COVID Committee. Your guidance and support have been instrumental in putting this plan together. It has been a trying process. We have researched, collaborated, and discussed numerous issues and developed a plan that we feel is the safest and best way to begin our school year.



Note

This is a fluid situation. At any moment, Governor Murphy can call for statewide school closures. If that occurs, we will be working virtually full-time. For extra guidance in this, see the links provided at the end of the plan. We hope you commit to a decision that best fits your family. Our main goal remains the safety of both our students and staff.

The New Normal

School will look and feel different when the students return. Independent learning will be the focus as collaboration is not feasible while practicing social distancing. It's important that the students understand this before they begin the school year. There will be an extra focus on the social and emotional learning. Primary Prep will remain a source of comfort and support for each student even with the barriers in place.

Two Possibilities

Plan A

Back to School slowly

Details below

Plan B

Governor Murphy closes schools

100% Virtual



Plan A: Back to School

Parents can decide between Virtual and In-Person education.

→ School Year Launches

School begins on September 10th for PK and September 14th for grades K - 8. Most students will begin online and those who chose the in-person option will return to the physical building on different days.

→ Education

Details on the following page.

Plan A Details (Educational Program)

- 📏 Plan A consists of 2 groups In-Person & Virtual
- Students in the Virtual group will always learn remotely. Classes will begin on 9/14/2020 for Virtual grades K 8 and continue on a regular school schedule.
- \ The In-Person group will return to school one grade at a time. Most grades will begin the school year online until it is their day to report to school.
- This is a staggered approach one we felt was necessary to ensure the safety of all students and staff.
- Through October 2nd, the school days will be 4 hours for everyone *Virtual and In-Person*. More details on this process will be forthcoming.
- NR-4 begins the process on 9/10 & 9/11. They will begin in-person learning on these dates. (Virtual will begin remotely on these dates)

Plan A Details (cont.)

- Note: By the last week of September all In-Person students will be in the building. All Virtual students will be learning with their teacher and cohort.
- Students will have their temperature taken upon entry. Any student with a fever will not be allowed access.
- Students will stay with their cohort throughout the day. Classes will not intermingle.
- Nasks are mandatory.
- Specific details about the arrival process, safety guidelines, and procedures will be sent out in a later document.

September Calendar

Refers to students returning in-person only.

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PK4 begins full-day program (8:30 – 3:00)	Key: P = In School O = Temporarily Online			<u>10</u> P: PK4 (8:30 – 12:30)	<u>11</u> P: PK4 (8:30 – 12:30)	
	<u>14</u> P: PK4, K O: 1 – 8	<u>15</u> P: PK4, K O: 1 – 8	<u>16</u> P: PK4, K, 1 O: 2 – 8	17 P: PK4, K, 1 O: 2 – 8	18 P: PK4, K, 1 O: 2 – 8	
	21 P: PK4, K, 1, 2 O: 3 – 8	22 P: PK4, K, 1, 2 O: 3 – 8	23 P: PK4, K, 1, 2 3, 4 O: 5 – 8	24 P: PK4, K, 1, 2, 3, 4 O: 5 – 8	25 P: PK4, K, 1, 2, 3, 4 O: 5 – 8	
	<u>28</u> P: PK4, K – 8	<u>29</u> P: PK4, K – 8	<u>30</u> P: PK4, K – 8	<u>1</u> P: PK4, K – 8	<u>2</u> P: PK4, K – 8	
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Virtual vs. In-person

- Grades K 4 will be divided into 2 sections. One teacher will teach the Virtual class and one teacher will teach the in-person class.
- Grades 5 8 will also be divided. The teachers will alternate between an in-person class and a Virtual class.
- 📏 Both groups will be following the same curriculum.
- Once Virtual is chosen, the student must remain a Virtual learner until at least January. (exact date TBD)
- Ne Virtual option is not available for a short-term sickness.



Plan B: 100% Virtual

Governor Murphy closes schools statewide.

→ Supplies

Books and supplies would be available for pickup at scheduled times.

→ Chromebooks

Grades 4 - 8 will be provided with Chromebooks. Additional devices are available until supplies run out.

→ Education

Primary Prep's Virtual education is highly regarded. Staff will be in school providing lessons live from their actual classrooms.

Links to Help Guide You in this Decision

- **The Road Back**
- Nack to School Planning: Checklists to Guide Parents, Guardians, and Caregivers
- NJEA Education Recovery Plan
- Nearching for a New Normal
- Neopening School: What it Might Look Like
- Notinion: I Won't Return to the Classroom, And You Shouldn't Ask Me To
- 📏 <u>Dr. Fauci on Khan Academy about Schools Opening</u>

Questions

- 📏 Take a few days to digest this information before responding.
- Please do not email with any questions. They sometimes get lost or sent to spam. Respond to the survey below and your questions will be addressed in an FAQ forum. You may not be the only one with that question or idea. Give us a few days to respond as we want to give everyone the opportunity to consume the information.
- The safety guidelines and procedures will be sent out shortly. Please hold off on any questions concerning these subjects until that plan is released.

Questions or Concerns