

Patchogue-Medford School District

All students will return to a Full In-Person School Experience

The District will not be offering a Full Remote Option

Should a family not want their child(ren) to return to in-person learning, they can elect Homeschooling.

Full In-person School Experience for all Students

- specials resume as normally scheduled
- lockers are available for student use
- students will return to the cafeteria (grade K may continue to eat in classrooms with aides)
- field trips be limited to:
 - programs where the trip is an integral part of the instructional program such as Career and Technical Education Program (CTE) or Academic and Career Explores (ACES)
 - outdoor trips during the fall
- all extracurricular activities will resume as normally scheduled
- full athletic experience unless advised differently from Section XI
- no temperature checks are required





Reporting Absences and Quarantines

- As done last year, students who exhibit symptoms or test positive regardless of vaccination status must complete the
 <u>Patchogue Medford COVID-19 Submission Form</u> located on our website.
 - Proper documentation will be required to return
- Unvaccinated, asymptomatic students who come in close contact with a positive case will not need to quarantine as long as they are three (3) feet apart, and wearing a properly fitting mask.
- Students who are fully vaccinated do not need to quarantine after contact with someone who has COVID-19, unless they are exhibiting symptoms.
- Should we need to quarantine students, families may receive a connect ed. message or an individual phone from the school.
- For the safety of all students, parents will be required to promptly come to the school to pick-up their child.
- If we must implement a school closure, the district will implement the full remote plan. The plan is posted on the district web-site under the *District Reopening* tab.



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Quarantines

There will be no livestreaming with the classroom teacher except during the first two-weeks of school.

- Full time home instruction teachers will be hired for students placed on quarantine.
- Absences during quarantines will offer synchronous instruction with the home instruction teacher. All
 classroom teachers will be required to place all assignments in Schoology (grades 6-12) or TEAMS (grades
 K-5) for students to access when on quarantine.
 - 2 elementary teachers
 - ☐ 4-5 content area teachers
 - ☐ Additional home instruction teachers may be necessary (example- World Languages)
 - ☐ Students will receive 5-hours per week for home instruction for elementary (K-6) and 10-hours per week for secondary (7-12)
 - ☐ A schedule of times will be posted on the website

*should a entire class be placed on quarantine with the teacher, live streaming will take place

Quarantines for Students Receiving Related Services or Special Class

- Students who receive related services such as Speech, Counseling, and Resource Room will live stream with their related service teacher during their regularly scheduled time.
- Students who are in Special Class will live stream 1-hour per day with the Teacher Assistant.

Documentation

A child will qualify for home instruction when the district:

- receives appropriate documentation from a medical professional that a student has tested positive for COVID.
- documentation from the Department of Health that the student has been placed on quarantine.
- conducts contact tracing and determines a child must be placed on quarantine as a result of close contact.

Sample Schedule

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:00-10:00	9:00-10:00	9:00-10:00	9:00-10:00	
English	Science	English	Science	
10:30-11:30	10:30-11:30	10:30-11:30	10:30-11:30	
Math	Social Studies	Math	Social Studies	
	Spanish 3:00-4:00		Spanish 3:00-4:00	



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Masks

- Universal indoor masking for all students and staff.
- Masks will not be required when outdoors.
- Masks may be removed during lunch and placed back on after eating.
- Frequent mask breaks will be given.
- Masks are required on school buses.



Cleaning and Sanitizing Protocols and Guidelines

- All cleaning and disinfection protocols used in the Patchogue-Medford School District are recommendations from the EPA/CDC and the New York State department of Health.
- Our custodial staff will clean the buildings everyday as they have been doing. The bulk of the cleaning will be completed in the evening after the students leave for the day.
- During the day when school is in session the custodial staff will follow the cleaning guidelines associated with day custodians. We will also periodically check and clean the bathrooms during the day.
- Disinfecting the areas will take place after the students, staff and faculty leave for the day. The custodians will disinfect the highly touched areas on a daily basis. The disinfectants that we use are EPA Registered Antimicrobial products for use against the Novel Coronavirus SAR-Co V-2 (the cause of COVID-19).
- We have uninvent systems in the classrooms which continually bring in fresh air to the classrooms. With our classroom windows open and the uninvent bringing fresh air into the classroom this makes for an increased amount of air changes in those spaces.
- We change our air filters 4 times a year (all the filters in the classrooms have been changed over the summer in preparation of the opening of school in September 2021.
- We have exhaust fans located in the buildings which also increase air flow throughout the interior spaces of the buildings providing more air changes in those spaces.
- The District has allowed child safe fans in each of the classrooms to improve air circulation in each room. NYSED (NY State Education Department) and the CDC (Center for Disease Control) recommend these strategies to increase air flow/circulation which can reduce the number of virus particles in the air.



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Thank You



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