



Dartmouth Public Schools

HYBRID NEXT STEPS

October 13-15
For Grades: 3-5 and 7

What you need to know!

The hybrid model of education has gotten off to a good start due to the thoughtful planning of our administrative team and an all hands on deck approach at the schools. On Oct. 1 and 2 staff welcomed students with smiles and cheers. We are now on to step two of our transition into hybrid.

We are aware that Dartmouth is registering red on the Governor's Community Level Data Map. As a reminder this is only one metric to be considered when making decisions about our schools. In collaboration with the Director of Public Health we monitor all metrics and trends over time including transmission within the schools. Together we have determined no changes need to be made to our plan at this time. As a reminder there is no school on Monday, October 12th due to it being Columbus Day.

- October 13: Cohort A: Grades 3-5 and 7 start in person school.
- October 14: Cohort B: Grades 3-5 and 7 start in person school.
- Cohort schedules are mapped out in the [color coded calendar](#) on the district website.
- If you chose bus transportation you should have received information about your stop and time of pickup.
- Schools have sent out materials about arrival and dismissal, lunch, recess, daily schedules etc. If you are driving your child to school, please pay close attention to this information.
- If you are driving your child to school, please note the following drop off times:
 - Elementary: **Students cannot be dropped off earlier than 8:45 a.m.**
 - Middle: **Students cannot be dropped off earlier than 7:30 a.m.**
 - High: **Students cannot be dropped off earlier than 7:15 a.m.**
 - Cushman PK: **Drop off at back of school at 8:55 a.m. – 9:05 a.m.**
 - Cushman K: **Drop off at back of school at 8:45 a.m. – 8:55 a.m.**
- All students and staff must wear masks while riding the bus and in the buildings. Gators and bandanas are not allowed. Hand sanitizer will be available upon entering & exiting busses and in school.
- Students will be assigned to a seat on the bus. He/she must remain in their assigned seat.
- LUNCH: All students will receive free meals until December 21, 2020.
 - Bagged lunches will be delivered to classrooms or other designated areas each day. Students may bring their own lunch.
 - All food will be consumed in classrooms or other designated areas.
 - Schools will be nut free this year. Do not send snacks or lunches that contain any nut product.
 - Students may bring a water bottle & nut free snack. Water bottle filling stations will be available.
 - Middle School
 - Students will eat breakfast & lunch in school on in school days.
 - Students will take home a breakfast & lunch for remote days.
 - Elementary School
 - Students will eat lunch **ONLY** in school on in school days.

- Students will take home TWO breakfasts & one lunch for remote days. The second breakfast should be eaten at home, before coming to school, on next in person day.
 - Virtual Learners (Students not returning to in person school)
 - A week worth of meals are available from 10:30 to 12:00 at the middle school. Meals **MUST** be pre-ordered. Ordering information may be found at [Dartmouth Nutrition](#).
- Students will follow a regular schedule while in school, including recess & special areas. They may bring a backpack, personal hand sanitizer, small tissue pack & book. No other personal items such as stuffed toys should be brought to school.
- **Student in person school schedules: Schools have provided families with detailed information.**

PK:	9:05 a.m. – 3:05 p.m.
Elementary:	9:05 a.m. – 3:25 p.m.
Middle School:	7:50 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
High School:	7:30 a.m. – 2:03 p.m.
- Students will have mask breaks throughout the day. Silent breaks will be in the classroom; mask breaks will also be taken outside. Social distancing requirements will be adhered to.
- On their **remote learning day**, students will independently complete assignments and prepare for the next in person day. Elementary students will attend live daily morning check in meetings (9:05 – 9:15). High School students may join a PASE period for questions or clarifications.
- It takes a village! Don't send your child to school if he/she has developed any of the following symptoms within the past 24 hours:
 - Fever (100.0 degrees or above, chills or shaking chills)
 - Cough (not due to other known cause, such as chronic cough)
 - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
 - Fatigue, when in combination with other symptoms
 - Muscle or body aches
 - Headache when in combination with other symptoms
 - New loss of taste or smell
 - Sore throat
 - Congestion or runny nose (not due to other known causes, such as allergies), when in combination with other symptoms
 - Nausea, vomiting or diarrhea
- If staff or students have any of these symptoms, they must get a test for active COVID-19 infection prior to returning to school.
- As a reminder all students will be required to have received a flu vaccine by December 31, 2020 for the 2020-2021 influenza season.
- Please review the detailed information that has been sent by each school.

We are looking forward to welcoming more of our students on Tuesday and Wednesday!