



Parent Meeting: Going Back to School 2020-2021

July 15, 2020

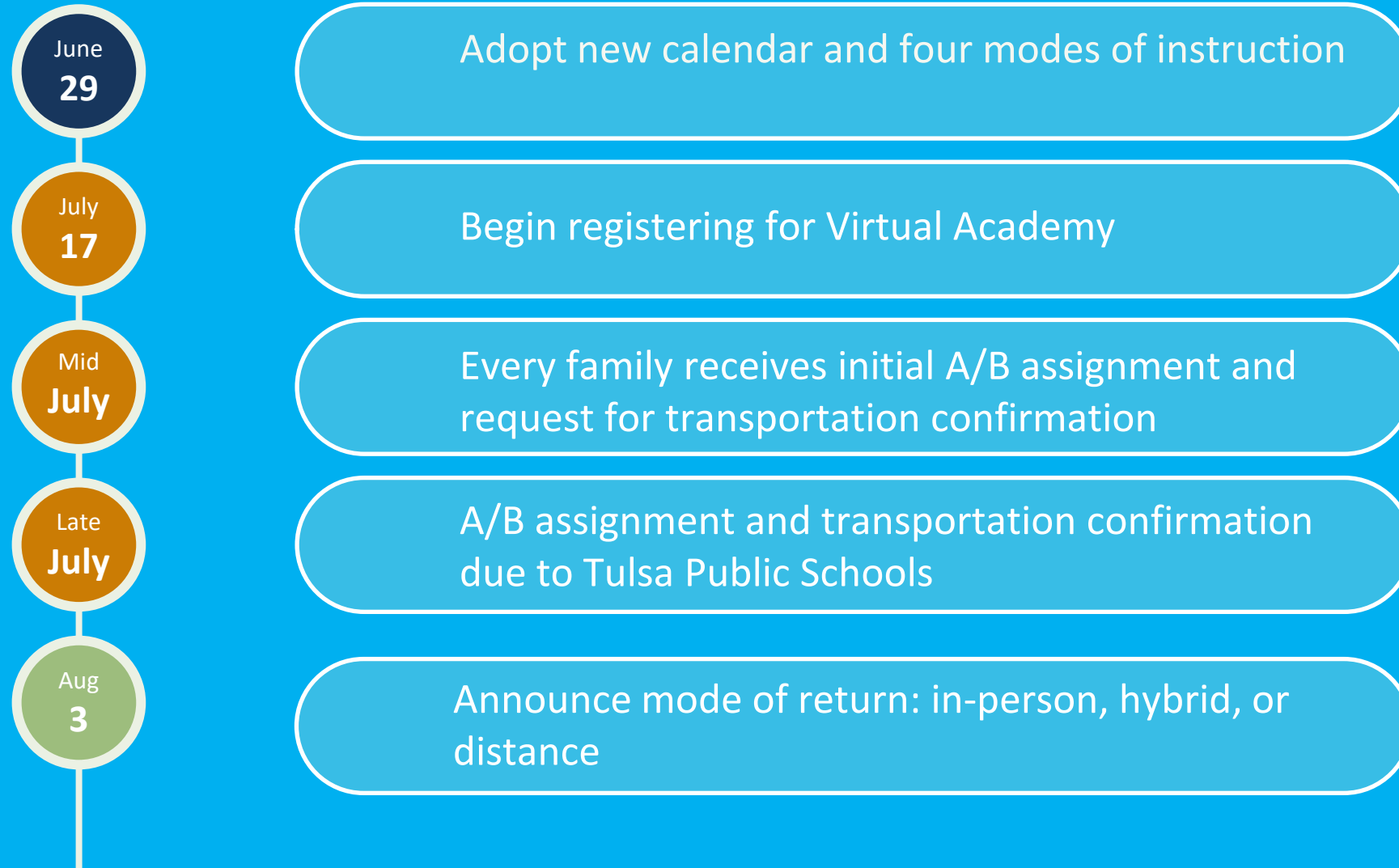
We have been developing our plan with stakeholders.

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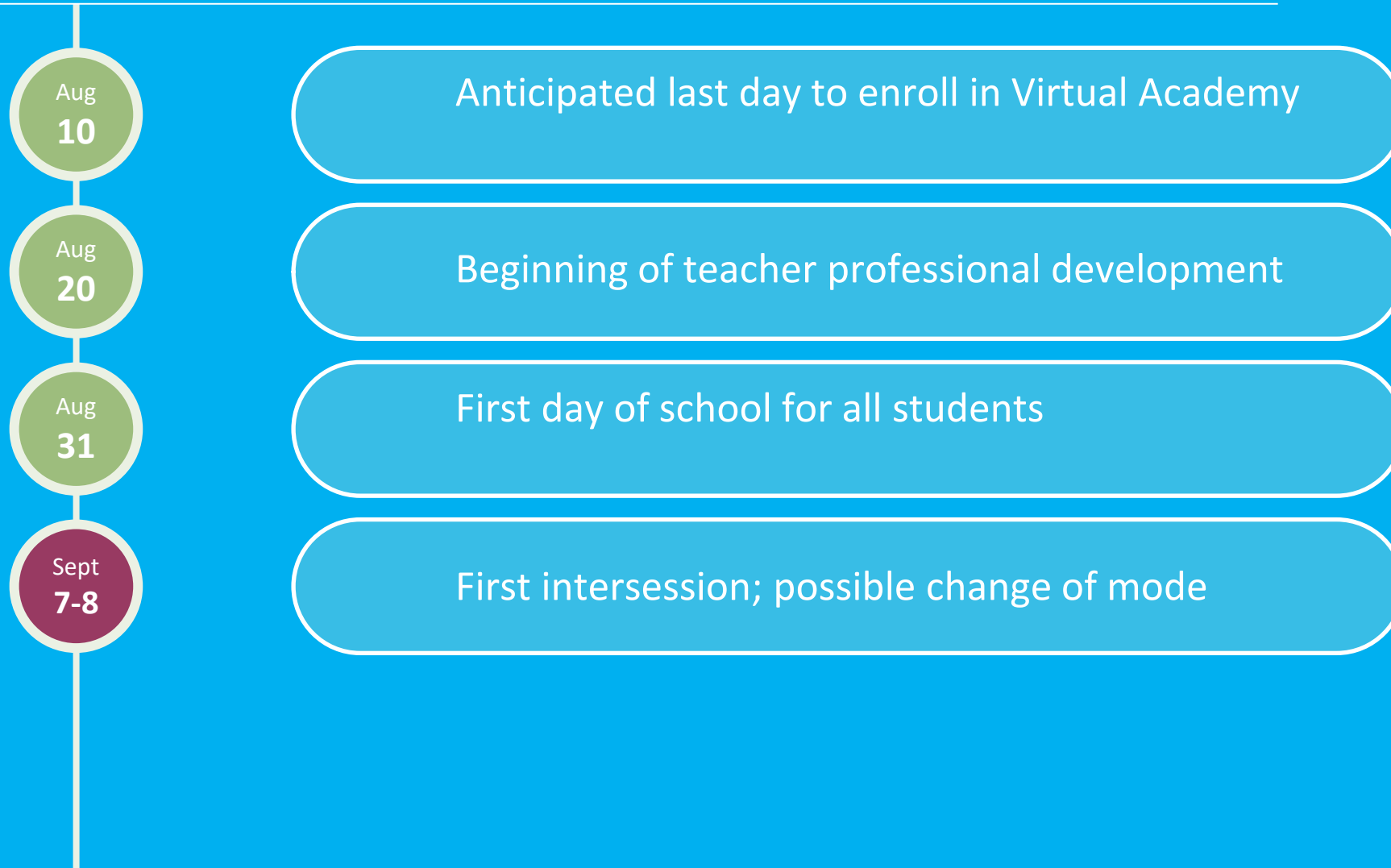
1. You, by responding to surveys and coming to sessions like this!
2. The largest community survey ever with almost 13,500 responses
3. Students through student cabinet and action teams
4. Teachers and staff through teacher cabinet and advisory teams
5. A community and budget advisory group consisting community, faith, educational, and business leaders
6. Public health officials and doctors who provide guidance



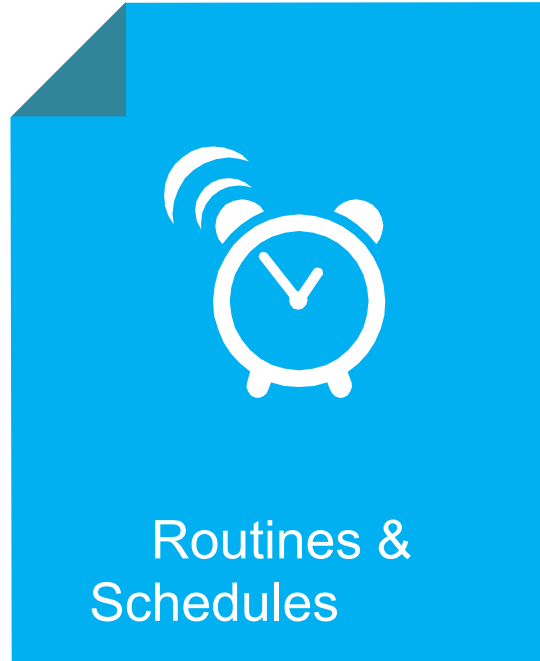
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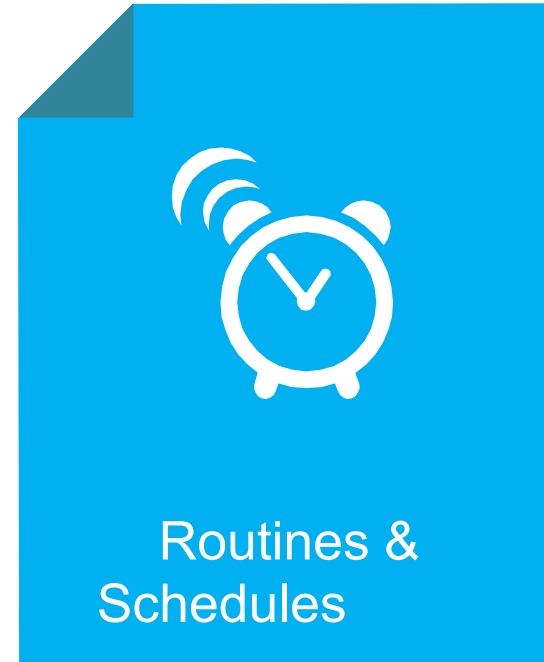
For today, we will focus on two of these four topics



What new routines
and schedules will
maintain our
community and keep
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How will we stay as
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The New Routines and Schedules for Tulsa Public Schools

Tulsa Public Schools adopted a **new school calendar** that helps ensure that we are ready to meet the challenges of a new school year.

Tulsa Public Schools **lengthened our instructional day** by 36 minutes, which helps maintain focused time on teaching and learning.

Tulsa Public Schools **identified four modes of teaching and learning** that will meet every family's needs and respond to changes on COVID spread in our community.

New School Calendar

Tulsa Public Schools adopted a new calendar that starts for students on August 31 and ends on June 8. Our new calendar includes the following elements:

- The same major holidays we've always had, which creates *stability* for families
- The same number of instructional minutes with more breaks, which makes us more *flexible* and able to adjust to changing condition
- Wednesdays as distance learning for all students, which gives us time to *practice distance learning, clean our schools, and allow our staff time to train and plan*
- Additional *regularly scheduled breaks* throughout the year to help us make adjustments throughout the year.

New School Calendar

Tulsa Public Schools						
2020-2021 School Calendar - Fully In Person or Virtual						
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You can see the full calendar and legend at

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Four Possible Ways to Safely Attend School

In response to COVID-19, Tulsa Public Schools is preparing for four modes of teaching, which with its own schedule and set of routines. On August 3, we will announce our mode of return.

- (1) **In-person instruction.** In this mode, students will attend school with all their classmates four days per week. Wednesdays will be reserved for distance learning.
- (1) **A staggered attendance.** In this mode, we will divide our students into two groups that will attend in-person instruction on different days of the week. If we return in this mode, it will because we need to return with social distancing in place and we can only have 50% of our students in school at once.
- (1) **Distance learning.** In this mode, students will not return to in-person learning but will continue to work with their students and classmates through online resources, phone calls, and video meetings.

In addition, we will offer the Full-time Virtual Academy, which is an option for any student or family who does not wish to return to in-person instruction during the 2020-2021 school year.

Let's go deeper on staggered attendance

- 50% of our PK-12 students together every Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday on a rotating basis.
- Social distancing is the safest way to bring students back to in-person instruction if COVID remains a significant-but-controlled risk in Tulsa.
- Most students will attend in-person instruction either Monday and Tuesday or Thursday and Friday. Some students with special learning needs will attend Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday.
- On days during which students are not in in-person instruction, they will be engaged in distance learning from home.

Tulsa Public Schools

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If we return with social distancing, we will have a staggered schedule.

"A" Group

Students with last names A - K with a priority on keeping households together and responding to reasonable family and student requests.

"B" Group

Students with last names L - Z with a priority on keeping households together and responding to reasonable family and student requests.

We need your advice about staggered attendance!

Last names starting with A-K will be in group A, with attendance on Monday and Tuesday. Last names starting with L-Z will be assigned to group B, with attendance on Thursday and Friday. We will keep households together

We will assign students in the last two week in July so we can be prepared for any possible learning mode.



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Tulsa Public Schools has **adopted new cleaning standards** that meet medical standards.

Tulsa Public Schools has adjusted **daily routines and systems** to focus on safety.

If necessary for safety, Tulsa Public Schools will be **prepared to provide and require masks** for most students and all adults.

Tulsa Public Schools has **adjusted transportation for safety**. We will fill buses to approximately 30% capacity.

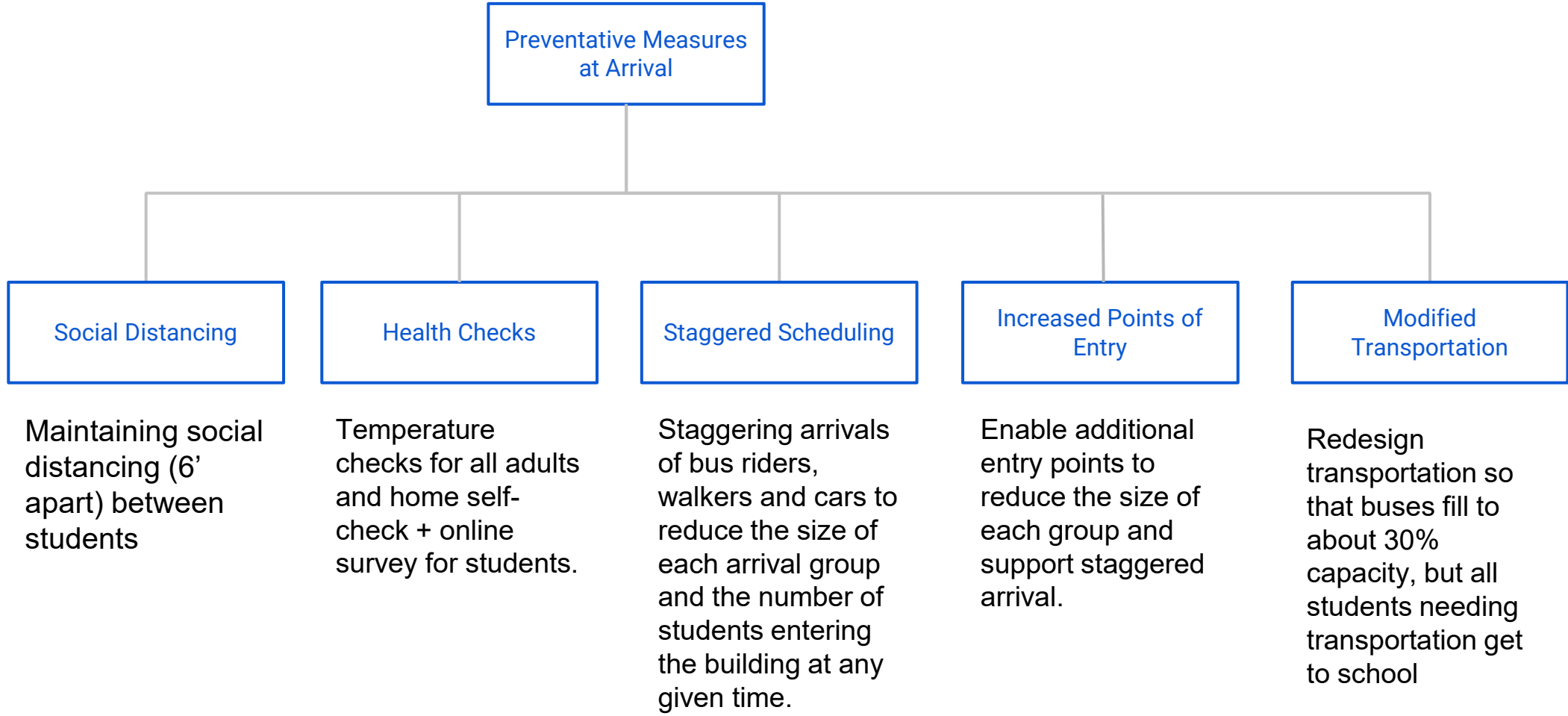
Tulsa Public Schools is adding **signage, hand-washing/sanitizing stations, and some flexiglass shields** to all schools to promote safety.

How will we stay as safe as possible and keep others safe?

Tulsa Public Schools is prepared to **reorganize schools to meet social distancing requirements**. This will require changes to every classroom and most auxiliary spaces.

Tulsa Public Schools will **provide safety training** for all staff, families, students, and partners.

Adjusted Daily Routines for Safety



For more information, visit our website!

www.tulsaschools.org/back2school

- 2020-2021 School Calendar
- Link to enroll in Virtual Academy
- Frequently Asked Questions
- Meal distribution sites



School Year 2020-2021 Planning Advisors

Internal Stakeholders

1. Tulsa Classroom Teachers Association Delegates
2. American Federation of Teachers 6049
3. Teachers Cabinet
4. Staff Reopening Advisory Council
5. Teachers Advisory Council
6. Student Cabinet
7. Tulsa Association of Secondary School Principals
8. Tulsa Association of Elementary School Principals
9. Council of Parent Teacher Associations
10. Student Working Group: City Lab Tulsa

External Stakeholders

1. Community Advisory Council
2. Budget Advisory Council
3. City of Tulsa Staff

Education and Public Health Advisors

1. Tulsa Health Department
2. Council of Great City Schools
3. Tulsa County Area Superintendents Administrators
4. Oklahoma State Department of Education

