

# MADISON PUBLIC SCHOOLS REOPENING UPDATE 2020-2021



BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
AUGUST 11, 2020

# BACKGROUND INFORMATION

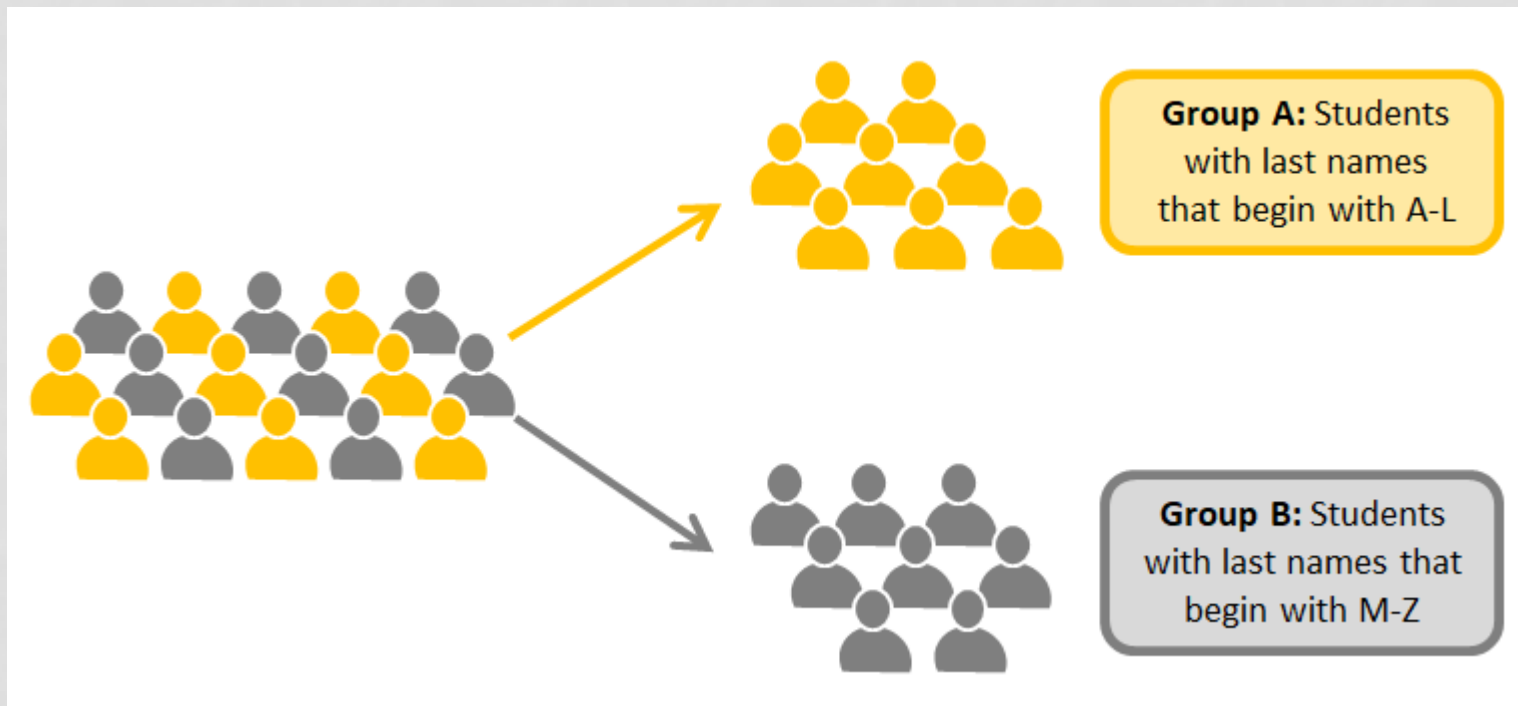
- Governor Lamont and Commissioner of Education require districts to develop a reopening plan with three models and asserts schools will reopen all in person
  - All students in person
  - Hybrid Model—Assigning students into cohorts
  - Full Distance Learning
- MPS Reopening Plan submitted to CSDE on July 24
- Governor and Commissioner of Education held daily press briefing on July 27 that districts have flexibility to open all in person or hybrid model
- Significant number of addendums to the state document and update guidance from CSDE the end of July to present
- Reopening details continue to evolve with updated information and guidance

# WHY IS MPS REOPENING IN THE HYBRID MODEL?






- CT reopened successfully with a phase-in process
- This model was selected to attend to the safety concerns of students, faculty and staff
- To promote emotional well-being of students
- To allow students, faculty and staff to become familiar and comfortable with new safety protocols and routines
- To introduce and train students on technology platforms utilized in school and in distance learning
- The hybrid model is a regional approach

# HYBRID SCHEDULE: TWO GROUPS





Hybrid Model Places students into two Groups or Cohorts, Group A and Group B.



# HYBRID SCHEDULE: FIVE DAY WEEKS

Monday & Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday & Friday
<p data-bbox="117 396 620 429">Group A: In-person Instruction</p> <p data-bbox="117 462 581 495">Group B: Distance Learning</p>  <p data-bbox="200 825 355 858">Group A</p>  <p data-bbox="401 1133 556 1166">Group B</p>	<p data-bbox="691 396 1205 501">All students will be on distance learning on Wednesdays</p>  <p data-bbox="852 855 1078 888">Group A + B</p>	<p data-bbox="1271 396 1773 429">Group B: In-person Instruction</p> <p data-bbox="1271 462 1734 495">Group A: Distance Learning</p>  <p data-bbox="1354 825 1508 858">Group B</p>  <p data-bbox="1572 1133 1727 1166">Group A</p>

# SEPTEMBER 3rd & SEPTEMBER 4th

















Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
30	31	1	2	3	4	5
						
						

COVID-related PD Days





















- This adjustment will ensure each group
  - has the opportunity to be in session for the full day and become familiar with safety protocols, classroom routines and new structures and/or equipment, i.e., desk shields, tents
- Schools will be cleaned and disinfected thoroughly every day in accordance with guidelines from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and CT Department of Public Health

# FOUR DAY SCHOOL WEEKS

Week of September 7th & Week of September 28th

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
6	7 <b>Labor Day</b>	8  	9  	10  	11  	12
27	28 <b>Yom Kippur</b>	29  	30  	1  	2  	3

# 2020 SEPTEMBER

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 <b>COVID-related PD Days</b>	2	3 	4 	5
6	7 <b>Labor Day</b>	8 	9 	10 	11 	12
13	14 	15 	16 	17 	18 	19
20	21 	22 	23 	24 	25 	26
27	28 <b>Yom Kippur</b>	29 	30 			



# MPS REOPENING CHALLENGES

- Creating adequate classroom space for Social Distancing of 6 feet between student to student desks and teacher to student desks, where feasible



- Ease congestion in hallways



- Ensure one-way traffic in and out of classrooms, where feasible
- Redesigning appropriate spaces for lunch with 6 feet of social distancing or with the use of personal desk shields
- Maximizing outdoor space when possible

# PREPARATIONS FOR REOPENING

- Working with contractors to ensure heating, ventilation and air conditioning systems are operating properly
- Increased bandwidth
- Ordered Chromebooks to provide 1 to 1 devices (shipping date is dependent on supply chain)
- Initial distribution of Chromebooks on hand will be to families with no devices
- Removed non-essential classroom furniture
- Blending tables and desks in K-2 classrooms for individual seating and social distancing
- Renting tents for outdoor instructional activities and/or mask breaks



# NEXT STEPS

- Analyze questionnaire data
- Determine number of students requiring bus transportation
- Review staggered parent drop off and pick up schedules for schools
- Identify child care resources to assist families
- Identify families in need of Chromebooks
- Parent webinars
- School orientation plans
- Zoom meeting next week on Distance Learning

