

Public Schools of Edison Township

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Dear Edison School Community,

After careful consideration of all identified parameters regarding health and safety concerns in the *Return to School Guidelines* provided by the State Department of Education, in addition to some logistical issues, the Edison School District has elected to begin the school year in a fully remote fashion and transition to our approved hybrid model on October 19, 2020.

Our concerns are related to two areas: appropriate ventilation and student transportation. Almost all of our school buildings are bereft of air conditioning, with some of our buildings being over 70 years of age. With all staff and students wearing masks in our schools, we are concerned that the heat in September and early October may compromise our ability to ensure proper ventilation capabilities in classrooms, especially those on upper floors. This situation will mitigate itself as the weather typically cools after the second week of October. Our second concern is based on student transportation. We are currently in litigation with several of our largest transportation vendors and have been unable to secure most of our 417 bus routes to start the school year. This significantly compromises our ability to bring students to our buildings in September. We anticipate these issues will be resolved by our proposed mid-October return to in-person learning date.

Please see the attached remote schedules that will be used by our students at the elementary, middle, and secondary levels. We have learned a great deal about remote instructional pedagogy from our experiences this past spring and are confident the staff will provide robust instructional programming to all of our students during this time of remote learning. We will continue to monitor and adjust our instructional practices to ensure our schools are provided the superlative educational programming for which they are known. If you have questions about devices or connectivity please contact your child's school directly so we can address all concerns expeditiously.

In addition, in order to provide further training to our teachers and staff on the topic of remote learning, we will be starting school on September 3, 2020 for students. The revised calendar is being proposed for adoption at the August 24, 2020, Board of Education meeting.

We are committed to striving to live up to our motto of "Nothing Less than Excellence."

Sincerely,

Bernard F. Bragen, Jr., Ed.D.

Superintendent of Schools

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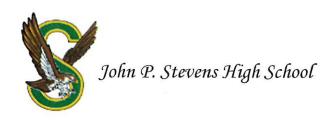
High School Full Remote

| Monday - Friday | | | |
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| Period 1 | 8:00 a.m 8:38 a.m. | | |
| Period 2 | 8:40 a.m 9:18 a.m. | | |
| Period 3 | 9:20 a.m 9:58 a.m. | | |
| Period 4/5 or 5/6 | 10:00 a.m 10:38 a.m. | | |
| Period 6/7 or 7/8 | 10:40 a.m 11:18 a.m. | | |
| Period 8/9 or 9/10 | /10 11:20 a.m 11:58 a.m. | | |
| Lunch 12:00 p.m 12:30 | | | |
| Period 11 | 12:32 p.m 1:10 p.m. | | |
| Period 12 | 1:12 p.m 1:50 p.m. | | |
| Student support, small groups, PLCs, Faculty/Dept. Meetings | 1:50 p.m 2:35 p.m. | | |

Each period is 38 minutes



Edison High School





Middle School Full Remote

| Monday - Friday | | | | |
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| Period 1 | 8:30 a.m 9:07 a.m. | | | |
| Period 2 | 9:09 a.m 9:46 a.m. | | | |
| Break | 9:46 a.m 10:01 a.m. | | | |
| Period 3 | 10:01 a.m 10:38 a.m. | | | |
| Period 4 | 10:40 a.m 11:17 a.m. | | | |
| Break | 11:17 a.m 11:32 a.m. | | | |
| Period 5 | 11:32 a.m 12:09 p.m. | | | |
| Lunch | 12:11 p.m 12:50 p.m. | | | |
| Period 6 | 12:50 p.m 1:27 p.m. | | | |
| Period 7 | 1:29 p.m 2:06 p.m. | | | |
| Student support, small groups, PLCs, Faculty/Dept. Meetings | 2:10 p.m 3:00 p.m. | | | |

Each period is 37 minutes



Herbert Hoover Middle School



John Adams Middle School



Thomas Jefferson Middle School



Woodrow Wilson Middle School

Elementary School Grades 1-5 Full Remote

| Monday - Friday | | | | |
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| Morning Meeting - All Students Join | 9:00 a.m 9:20 a.m. | | | |
| Period 1 | 9:20 a.m 9:50 a.m. | | | |
| Period 2 | 9:50 a.m 10:20 a.m. | | | |
| Break | 10:20 a.m. – 10:25 a.m. | | | |
| Period 3 | 10:25 a.m 10:55 a.m. | | | |
| Period 4 | 10:55 a.m 11:25 a.m. | | | |
| Break | 11:25 a.m 11:30 a.m. | | | |
| Period 5 | 11:30 a.m 12:00 p.m. | | | |
| Period 6 | 12:00 p.m 12:30 p.m. | | | |
| Closing Circle | 12:30 p.m 12:45 p.m. | | | |
| Lunch and 15 minute prep. for homeroom teachers | 12:45 p.m 1:45 p.m. | | | |
| Small Group | 1:45 p.m 2:05 p.m. | | | |
| Small Group | 2:10 p.m 2:30 p.m. | | | |
| Small Group | 2:35 p.m 3:05 p.m. | | | |
| Small Group | 3:10 p.m 3:30 p.m. | | | |



Lincoln School



Washington School



James Madison



Intermediate School





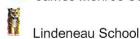
John Marshall School



Menlo Park School



James Monroe School





Woodbrook School



Martin Luther King



James Madison Primary

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Elementary School Kindergarten

Full Remote

| Monday - Friday | | | | |
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| Kindergarten – A.M. | | Kindergarten – P.M. | | |
| Morning Meeting | 9:00 a.m 9:20 a.m. | Afternoon Meeting | 1:00 p.m 1:20 p.m. | |
| Brain Break | 9:20 a.m 9:25 a.m. | Brain Break | 1:20 p.m 1:25 p.m. | |
| Period 1 | 9:25 a.m 9:45 a.m. | Period 1 | 1:25 p.m 1:45 p.m. | |
| Brain Break | 9:45 a.m 9:50 a.m. | Brain Break | 1:45 p.m 1:50 p.m. | |
| Period 2 | 9:50 a.m 10:10 a.m. | Period 2 | 1:50 p.m 2:10 p.m. | |
| Brain Break | 10:10 a.m 10:15 a.m. | Brain Break | 2:10 p.m 2:15 p.m. | |
| Period 3 | 10:15 a.m 10:35 a.m. | Period 3 | 2:15 p.m 2:35 p.m. | |
| Small Group/Independent | 10:35 a.m 11:30 a.m. | Small Group/Independent | 2:35 p.m 3:30 p.m. | |



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