



THE NEWMAN SCHOOL

Newman School- Welcome Plan

We are excited to welcome everyone to school on Wednesday, August 26th. We appreciate your patience as we put forward all the details of our Safe Opening Plan. We are approaching these next few weeks with a balance of flexibility and focus so we can respond to the most up-to-the-minute information from the local and state authorities.

The first two weeks of school are a trial period for in-person learning and a hybrid model. While the school specific calendar and AM/PM "shifts" will remain throughout the semester, the trial period will be used within the MYP and DP to best coordinate and develop an "attendance policy" for live and on-line students. This will ensure that the rotation of classes, class placements and add/drop decisions can be coordinated to meet our in-person goals and hybrid student and faculty needs.

We will also use the two-week trial period to refine the co-curricular offerings and sign-ups that will begin on September 9.

The following links to the Opening of School page and the Daily Schedule for MYP and DP, and the School Handbook-Covid Addendum are provided below for your information. We will need to know your decision about fall attendance by Wednesday, August 17.

[2020 Opening of School- Newman Website](#)

[MYP Class Block Schedule for Fall 2020](#)

[DP Class Block Schedule for Fall 2020](#)

[Handbook for Students and Families-Covid Addendum](#)

[Newman Daily Questionnaire](#)

Students will be able to indicate one of three options for this semester:

- I will be at Newman taking in person Classes.
- I will not be on campus this semester, but I plan to take Newman classes remotely.
- I will be taking classes in person and asynchronously as well (Hybrid), I understand I need to contact Mr. Nagy to arrange my schedule and adhere to it.

Answer Here

Newman School Community Agreement

Newman students and faculty, whether online or in-person, are demonstrating their commitment to their academic community as well as their commitment to responsible participation in an educational experience that supports the health, wellness, and safety for all community members. To achieve our shared goal of creating the safest possible school environment in the face of the global COVID-19 pandemic, all students, faculty, and staff must work together, and use responsible personal choices, to protect the health of the entire community, even when it may cause individual inconvenience.


COVID-19 has led to an unprecedented infectious disease risk for all persons and serious health consequences for many. Public health guidance, scientific knowledge, and clinical best practices are evolving and changing rapidly. Newman has implemented a transmission mitigation program to support a responsible return to a modified academic experience based on current knowledge, and best practices. Please be aware that Newman cannot provide any assurances regarding the impacts of the pandemic on any individual and asks each student to make the best choice about in person attendance or online participation based on their particular circumstances and their level of comfort returning to school.

Community Agreement

Newman 2020-2021 School Calendar

Below you will see the 2020-2021 School Year Calendar as it stands today. As you can see we begin the school year on Wednesday, August 26. Students will be finished with in person classes on Wednesday, November 25. Learning the weeks in between Thanksgiving and Christmas vacations will be remote. More details to follow.

2020-2021 School Calendar

August 20							The Newman School 2020-2021							September 20							Special Events							
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa	Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa	Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa								
						1											1	2	3	4	5	8/24 & 25 Staff Professional Day						
2	3	4	5	6	7	8							6	7	8	9	10	11	12	8/26 First Day of Classes								
9	10	11	12	13	14	15							13	14	15	16	17	18	19	9/7 Labor Day- No Classes								
16	17	18	19	20	21	22							20	21	22	23	24	25	26	9/10 "Meet Newman Teacher" Event								
23	24	25	26	27	28	29							27	28	29	30				9/28 Yom Kippur								
30	31																			10/5-10/9- Parent-Faculty Check-In Week								
																				10/12 Columbus Day- No Classes								
October 20							November 20							December 20							January 21							11/11 Veterans' Day- No Classes
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa	Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa	Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa	Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa	11/16-11/24 Final Assignments & Reflections
				1	2	3	1	2	3	4	5	6	7					3	4	5						1	2	11/25-11/27 Thanksgiving Holiday Break**
4	5	6	7	8	9	10	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	6	7		9	10	11	12	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	11/30-12/18- Online DP, MYP Project Work**
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	12/21/20 - 1/4/2021 - Winter Break**
18	19	20	21	22	23	24	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	1/4/- 1/5/2021 Staff Professional Days
25	26	27	28	29	30	31	29	30					27	28	29	30	31	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	1/6/21 - First Day of Spring Classes			
																			31							1/18 MLK Day - No Classes		
February 21							March 21							April 21							May 21							2/12 Parent Teacher Confs - No Classes
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa	Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa	Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa	Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa	2/12 Lunar New Year
																										2/15-2/16 Presidents' Days - No Classes		
1	2	3	4	5	6		1	2	3	4	5	6													1	2/26 Ash Wednesday 9:AM Start of classes		
7	8	9	10	11	12	13	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	3/6-3/21 Spring Break - No Classes
14	15	16	17	18	19	20	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	4/2 - Good Friday - No Classes
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	4/5 - Easter Monday - No Classes
28							28	29	30	31			25	26	27	28	29	30	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	4/19 - Patriots' Day No Classes		
																			30	31						5/24-5/28 - Final Exams		
																										6/1 - Graduation		

*These dates are current guidelines and may need to be adjusted based on external factors. **Students will be home during these weeks.

I would like to thank all of the faculty, staff, parents and students who participated in developing this Safe School Opening plan. We are looking forward to a wonderful year.

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