



Hello Vanguard Families,

I want you to know that we continue to do all of the preparations necessary to ensure we are following all health guidelines so students can safely return to school. There is a lot of information and so I am labeling topics so the information is better organized for you to review. Some of this information I have already sent out, but I want to make sure I am doing everything possible to keep all of our parents aware of the procedures we are putting in place during this Pandemic.

At this junction, we need everyone to be committed to their choice of whether or not their child is returning for on- site instruction. If you have not responded to our survey, we will assume that you are planning to continue to keep your child learning remotely. Please call our office if you have any questions

Student Return/Cohorts

We have divided our students into (2) cohorts so we can ensure social distancing takes place in classrooms. Both cohorts are divided alphabetically by students' last names. Both cohorts will contain all grade levels.

Cohort A

A – K

Cohort B

L – Z

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Cohort A A-K	In-Person	In-Person	Remote	Remote	Remote
Cohort B L-Z	Remote	Remote	Remote	In-Person	In-Person

Transition into Phase II, First Four Days of School Term 2

Safety is our top priority and we want to make sure all of our students understand the protocols for being on campus. Thus, we will do a staggered start of grade levels per

cohort to reduce the number of students who will be here on those first few days of our return. All other students will participate in remote learning.

Thursday, October 15 th :	Cohort B	Grades 9 & 12 ONLY
Friday, October 16 th	Cohort B	Grades 10 & 11 ONLY
Monday, October 19 th	Cohort A:	Grades 9 & 12 ONLY
Tuesday, October 20 th	Cohort A:	Grades 10 & 11 ONLY

Wednesday, October 21st, will be a remote learning day for all students.

Thursday, October 22nd, will be the first day where we will follow the above cohort schedule and have all members of that cohort on campus at the same time.

Bell Schedule

Here is our [Phase II Bell Schedule](#). Please note that we will be offering two lunches that will be aligned with students' 4th period class, so students WILL NOT be able to change their lunchtime; they must follow their 4th period teacher. This list will be forthcoming.

Classroom and Campus Cleaning Procedures

- All areas occupied by staff and students will be disinfected daily with EPA registered disinfectants
- BacShield Antimicrobial Spray will be used to inhibit growth of bacteria, mold, mildew, and fungi between cleanings.
- Restrooms are thoroughly and completely disinfected each evening. Day custodians will be replenishing restroom products, disinfecting touch points, checking for vandalism, and ensuring there are no slip hazards regularly throughout the day.

Detailed information about the products being used is available by [clicking here](#).

Classroom Safety

- 3-Sided Plexiglas Shields have been affixed to student desks where 6ft. Social Distancing is not possible. At El Modena, we have placed these barriers in every classroom.
- Some of our performing arts will be outside so students can engage in these activities while maintaining 6ft distancing and still wearing face masks.
- Teachers desks will also have a Plexiglas Shield attached to the front of it.
- Students and Staff will be required to wear masks in the classroom.

Campus Safety

- We will be having wellness checkpoints as students come onto campus. Therefore, we will be reducing the number of areas to enter our school. More information on this including a map will be forthcoming.

- There will be designated areas for students to eat during lunch. There will also be designated areas where students will need to wear masks and practice social distancing, but they will be able to interact with their peers.
- Outdoor Hand Washing and Hand Sanitizing Stations will be placed throughout campus for student use.
- There will be floor signage to mark social distancing in areas where students line up (ie for cafeteria food).
- Students will be required to wear masks while on campus EXCEPT while eating in the designated areas.

On a final note, it is important that you all know that El Modena is committed to working with our Health Services Department, Student & Community Services, as well as Orange County Health Department to ensure we are following all protocols designed to keep our staff and students safe as well as properly respond to any health situation.

Thank you, Vanguard. I hope this information proves to be useful to you. I will continue to provide more information as we move forward.

Sincerely,
Jill Katevas, Principal