**Jacksonville Elementary School’s Opening Information**

Jacksonville Elementary’s in person learning will focus on key mitigation strategies that include face coverings, social distancing, hand hygiene, cleaning and contact tracing. Our focus will continue to be on student growth paired with the social and emotional wellbeing of our students and staff. We will continue to provide high quality and rigorous academic instruction.

**Bell schedule: 9:05 Entry Bell 9:20 School Begins 4:00 Dismissal Bell 4:05 Walkers, Car Riders, Buses Called**

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| **Arrival & Dismissal Procedures**   * Transportation information will be provided by BCPS and sent to families. * Masks will be required to be worn. * Children will enter the front doors and walk to their classrooms. * Siblings will not be permitted to walk younger children to their classrooms. * Dismissal will occur in the main halls with no more than 2 buses called at one time. Primary and intermediate children will line up in their own hallways. * K and 1 students will walk down the hallway. They will be loaded prior to the grade 2-5 students who will wait single file in 1 line with spacing. | **Screening & Testing (**[***Safety is Our True North***](https://p3cdn4static.sharpschool.com/UserFiles/Servers/Server_2744/File/Covid19/Safety%20is%20Our%20True%20North.pdf)**)**   * All families should screen students for symptoms prior to leaving home. * Please use this [checklist](https://scs.bcps.org/common/pages/DisplayFile.aspx?itemId=67002209) to determine if a student should or should not go to school. * Persons with COVID-19 symptoms in school will be required to be tested or will be placed on quarantine, in alignment with guidance from the Maryland Department of Health. |
| **Face Covering (**[***Safety is Our True North***](https://p3cdn4static.sharpschool.com/UserFiles/Servers/Server_2744/File/Covid19/Safety%20is%20Our%20True%20North.pdf)**)**  **Requirements:** All persons, regardless of vaccination status, must wear a face covering while inside a school. Exceptions to this requirement are:   * The person is alone in a private space. * The person is eating or drinking. * The person has a documented physical or developmental disability that makes wearing a mask unsafe. * The person is under the age of two.   The person is a student athlete engaged in the sport in the field of play. | **Social Distancing (**[***Safety is Our True North***](https://p3cdn4static.sharpschool.com/UserFiles/Servers/Server_2744/File/Covid19/Safety%20is%20Our%20True%20North.pdf)**)**  **Requirements:** Physical distancing of students from each other and between students and adults will be provided to the greatest extent possible, considering school enrollment and facility constraints. Strategies include:   * Use of classroom and cafeteria configurations that provide maximal separation between students. * Plans for arrival, dismissal and change of classes to reduce gathering of students in any area. * Restriction of field trips to day trips only, with plans to reduce exposure to large crowds. * Plans for supervision of restrooms, locker rooms, and school lockers to prevent congregation of students. |
| **Hand Hygiene (**[***Safety is Our True North***](https://p3cdn4static.sharpschool.com/UserFiles/Servers/Server_2744/File/Covid19/Safety%20is%20Our%20True%20North.pdf)**)**  **Requirements:**   * Employees and students have been instructed to adhere to best practices in hand hygiene and respiratory etiquette. * Times for handwashing or use of hand sanitizer to include before and after meals, upon arrival to schools’ offices and home, before and after use of any shared items, after use of the restroom, after sneezing/coughing and other time hands are contaminated. * Jacksonville students will have assigned hand washing times throughout the day for all children**.** | **Breakfast & Lunch**   * Breakfast will be grab and go from the front table in the main hallway as children enter the building. All breakfast meals will be eaten in the student classrooms. * Students will eat in the cafeteria by cohort at tables with students sitting diagonal from each other with limited numbers of students at each table. Students will be seated with the same students they sit with in the classroom, providing a smaller pod of students. * Students will remove masks for eating only and will be required to re-mask as soon as they are finished eating. |
| **Supplies & Devices:**   * Supply lists were provided to parents by School Messenger. They will also be available on the BCPS Jacksonville website. * Teachers will monitor the use of shared supplies or materials. If used, items will be sanitized and cleaned before the next student’s use. | **Visitors (**[***Safety is Our True North***](https://p3cdn4static.sharpschool.com/UserFiles/Servers/Server_2744/File/Covid19/Safety%20is%20Our%20True%20North.pdf)**)**   * To visit a BCPS school, visitors must have an appointment. * Visits will be conducted remotely or outside, whenever possible. * If an indoor visit is required, visitors will be required to wear a face coverings and practice social distancing. * The number of people admitted to the building will be limited. |
|  | **Cleaning/Disinfecting (**[***Safety is Our True North***](https://p3cdn4static.sharpschool.com/UserFiles/Servers/Server_2744/File/Covid19/Safety%20is%20Our%20True%20North.pdf)**)**  **Requirements:** BCPS staff will continue to provide safe and clean school environments by ensuring daily cleaning of buildings using Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) approved germicidal agents that kill coronavirus. BCPS staff will:   * Perform frequent cleaning and disinfection of high-contact surfaces and any shared items, at least daily. * Promote hand washing before and after touch of shared use items. * Maintain sufficient supplies of soap, paper towels, and hand sanitizer. |