

Alamance-Burlington Schools Success '21

 **ONE ABSS**

Graham High School



For those families that have chosen for students to return to school buildings for in-person learning, please review the following information.

New Protocols

As we return to our school buildings, ABSS has implemented many safety protocols [outlined by NC Department of Health and Human Services](#), to maintain the health and well-being of staff and students during this time. A detailed list of protocols is available on the [ABSS website](#) and a few of the important updates are [highlighted in this video](#).

What is new?

- ***Meals will be served in the classroom, rather than the lunch room***
- ***Rooms and restroom facilities are being sanitized regularly throughout the day***
- ***All students and staff are required to wear a cloth mask***
- ***Staff and students are screened each morning upon arrival and must wear the armband given at the screening station***
- ***Signage is posted around campus to direct movement throughout campus: arrows identify the direction individuals should be traveling***
- ***Protocols for sanitation and 3 W's are posted around campus***
- ***Locker Rooms will not be utilized for any Physical Education classes or changing***
- ***Physical Education classes are adjusting activities to prevent close contact among students and staff***
- ***To adhere to social distancing guidelines, students are to move directly to their classes during transitions***
- ***Student drop off and pick up should only occur at the Student Parking Lot***
- ***Students should not arrive to campus prior to 9:30am and should be picked up by 4:15pm***

The district has pulled together [frequently asked questions and answers](#) for your review, but please feel free to reach out to the school with any questions.

Cleaning

The district works with the Budd Group to provide cleaning technicians at every school. These employees are dedicated to cleaning high touch surfaces throughout the school day. Additionally, the Budd Group completes cleaning in the evenings, after students and staff leave for the day.

Face Coverings

While on school property, inside or outside, students (aged 5 and up) and all adults will be required to wear cloth face coverings over their nose and mouth. Throughout the day, students will have opportunities to remove their cloth face coverings, when eating breakfast and lunch. Students will also wear masks during PE and recess. Students are not permitted to wear bandanas, neck gaiters, or head wraps as a face covering. Only proper cloth or disposable face masks may be worn. The district has delivered extra face coverings to each school for students and staff who may be in need.

Please begin working with your students on wearing face coverings at home so that they are ready when they return to the school building.

Meals

Meals will be pre-packaged and delivered to the classrooms for students to eat. Students may still bring their own lunch to school if they wish. However, there will be no microwave access to heat lunches. At this time, all school meals are **free**.

- **School nutrition workers will deliver meals to classrooms**
- **Masks can be lowered for eating and drinking**
- **Socially distanced conversations are appropriate during lunch; students should remain in their seats and put their masks back on once they finish eating**
- **Students will be monitored throughout this time to ensure the safety of all students and staff**

The district will provide two bottles of water per day for each student. Water fountains will not be in use throughout the day.

Wait and Wash

Social distancing is a key component of returning to school safely. Social distancing (“physical distancing”) means keeping space between yourself and other people outside of your home.

In common areas around the buildings, there will be clearly marked areas to remind everyone to remain socially distanced, 6 feet apart.

- **There are colored arrows on the sidewalk to indicate the appropriate direction of travel for students and staff**
- **Colored tape will indicate the separation of traffic patterns within the school buildings; all individuals should walk on the right side of the hallways**
- **In the classroom, colored dots on desks will indicate where students should sit each period to allow for clearing between periods**

In addition to social distancing, students will be encouraged to wash their hands frequently with soap and water, or hand sanitizer as much as possible.

- **Signage is posted about the 3 W's: Wear your face covering. Wait 6 feet apart. Wash your hands.**
- **Students will be reminded to wait if they cannot socially distance while entering the restrooms; facilities have been labeled to assist in this process**
- **Each classroom has been provided with hand sanitizer for student use**

Health Screenings

Students and staff returning to school buildings will be required to have an annual attestation form on file. Parents/Guardians can complete this form online for each student returning to campus. [Please use this link to complete the form.](#) Families should not send students to school if they are exhibiting signs of COVID-19. If students have a temperature above 100.4, they will have to return home with their parent or guardians.

Everyone will have their temperature taken before entering the building. If the student passes the health screening process, they will receive a wristband which allows staff to easily identify that they have been screened and can proceed into the building.

- **Car riders will be dropped off in the Student Parking Lot and enter through the Fine Arts entrance**
- **Student drivers will also enter through the Fine Arts entrance for screening**
- **Students will walk through the lobby between the Gym and Auditorium to be screened prior to going to their classrooms**
 - **Staff will ask screening questions and take students' temperatures**
 - **Once the student passes the screening, they will receive their wristband and will have to wear it on their wrist throughout the day**
- **Students should not enter the main office for screening, unless they are arriving after 10am**

Bus riders will be socially distanced on the bus, only one student per seat unless they are siblings. Everyone must wear a mask while riding any school transportation. Bus riders will complete the health screening when they reach school.

- **Drivers will have masks for students who forget theirs when getting on the bus**
- **All buses will have hand sanitizer for students**
- **Bus riders will be screened under the awning where buses drop students off, on the walkway leading to the cafeteria**
 - **Staff will ask screening questions and take students' temperatures**
 - **Once the student passes the screening, they will receive their wristband and will have to wear it on their wrist throughout the day**

COVID-19 Symptoms

If a student shows symptoms of COVID-19 during the school day, they will be sent to an isolation room and Parent/Guardians are called to pick up their student immediately. If the parent/guardian consents, the school nurse can complete a COVID-19 rapid test. This test will provide results within 15 minutes. The school nurse will be in full Personal Protective Equipment (PPE).

Communications

The district has a communication guide that has helpful information about if/when families will be notified if there is a COVID-19 case at school. Additionally, the district shares data in a dashboard updated weekly. You can review the [communication guide and dashboard here](#).

As always, we encourage parents to contact their child's teacher(s) with questions or concerns about grades, assignments, etc. Administrators are also available via phone or email to answer general questions.

Classrooms

Students will transition with their classes and cohorts and classrooms will be set-up to help students engage with their teacher and classmates while following social distancing protocols.

- **As students transition to and from classes, they will follow directional signage to enter and exit buildings**
- **Students should not cross the colored tape hallway divider to access a classroom across the hall; instead, they should follow the flow of traffic to enter the classroom within the same building**
- **In the classroom, color dots on desks will indicate where students should sit per period to allow for clearing between periods**
- **Instruction will be blended to include both teacher directed (scheduled time for instruction, lessons, discussion, and small groups) and independent work. [To learn more about "Blended Learning" and watch some helpful videos, visit our website.](#)**
- **Students should bring their charged Chromebook to class each day**
- **In class expectations and opportunities**
 - **Students will still collaborate via Zoom or in the classroom, but they must maintain a safe distance from each other**
 - **There will be no passing or sharing of tangible materials (markers, pencils, etc.)**
 - **Student movement throughout the room will be limited to ensure the safety of staff and students**
 - **Office Hours for teachers will now be from 8:45am-9:15am**

Weekly Schedule

Our school will follow a cohort model beginning March 8.

- [Daily schedule linked here](#)
- **Student drop off begins at 9:30am**
- **Student pick up begins at 4:15pm**
- **Students with Last Names A-K**
 - **In-Person Learning days are Monday and Tuesday**
- **Students with Last Names L-Z**
 - **In-Person Learning days are Thursday and Friday**
- **Class periods are divided into synchronous and asynchronous learning times**
 - **Synchronous learning- all students (in-person and remote) are participating in learning activities together**
 - **Asynchronous learning- students are completing extension activities, assessments, review, receiving extra help from the teacher, etc. (remote students are not required to log in at this time)**
- **Wednesdays will serve as a remote learning day for all students**
 - **Students should log into their classes via Zoom following the synchronous times**
 - **1st Block: 10:25am-11:25am**
 - **2nd Block: 11:35am-12:35pm**
 - **3rd Block: 1:45pm-2:45pm**
 - **4th Block: 2:55pm-3:55pm**

Attendance during remote learning days is vital to student success. Students must attend Zoom meetings and show their face on camera to be counted present.

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Health and safety are important to us as we look forward to returning to the school buildings. In order to be successful, we will need everyone to take part. Wear your face covering. Wait 6 feet apart. Wash your hands. Begin working with your students and talking about the importance of the 3 Ws. We are excited to welcome everyone back!