

# Alamance-Burlington School Success '21

 ONE ABSS

**Ray Street Academy**



***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](#).

**As with any school year, we want your child to be safe, healthy, and ready to learn. This guide contains important information to maximize a safe and healthy environment for all students and staff. Despite the challenges that we face during this pandemic, we look forward to working with you to finish the year on a positive note.**

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 gaiter, or head wrap 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.

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

**Students will eat in their classes. They will be allowed to remove their masks while eating. Once finished, they can place their masks on their face and socialize with their peers while socially distancing in the classroom.**

## 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.

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.

**There will be signage that indicates the flow of traffic in the hallways. We still will only allow one student at a time in the restrooms.**

## 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 remain in the car during the screening process. The parent/guardian will help the student answer the screening questions and the student will have their temperature taken. Once the student passes the screening, they will receive their wristband. **Students will proceed to the cafeteria and staff will be there to scan them and collect their cell phones. At this time we are suspending SMOD requirements. We will be adhering to the ABSS student dress code with the exception of hoodies. Hoodies are still not permitted to be worn at Ray Street. All students (including car riders) will be dropped off and picked up at the bus lot. Car riders will not be picked up in the front of the school for the remainder of this school year.**

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 **inside the cafeteria.**

**Students who drive will park in assigned parking spots and enter the cafeteria to be screened.**

## 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](#).

**Parents may email teachers directly. All email addresses are available on the Ray Street Web Page. Parents may also call the school at 336-570-6644.**

## 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.

**Students are to maintain 6 feet distance in the hallways as indicated by floor markings. They are to wear a mask at all times.**

**Each classroom will have a seating chart. All student desks will be cleaned between classes using the approved cleaning agent.**

## Weekly Schedule

Our school will follow a cohort model beginning **March 8.**

**In-person learning for students whose last name begins with A-L will attend physically on Monday & Tuesday and attend remotely Wednesday, Thursday & Friday.**

**In-person learning for students whose last name begins with M-Z will be remote Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday and attend in person on Thursdays and Fridays.**

**Students may arrive between 9:30am and 10:00am. First period will begin at 10:00am.**

**Car riders will need to be picked up by 4:15pm in the bus lot. Car riders are not to be picked up in the front of the school for the remainder of the school year.**

## Success '21

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!