

Neshaminy School District

Maple Point Middle School ● 2250 Langhorne-Yardley Road ● Langhorne, PA 19047

Dear Maple Point Students and Parents,

Greetings from Maple Point Middle School! My name is Andy Sokol and I am the principal of Maple Point Middle School. I am excited and honored to lead Maple Point as this is my 8th year as principal. This is a new year like no other. We have worked to prepare for an ever-changing target and even as this newsletter is prepared things change! This letter is solely focused on the month of **October and the start** of Hybrid. I want you to know that we will do everything that is in our control for your children. We will work to deliver the best education possible, build

20-21 **OCTOBER** WELCOME **BACK** PARENTS AND STUDENTS!!!

relationships in different ways until we return, and support families the best that we can. We are only an email or phone call away.

ATTENDANCE

Attendance is taken and recorded for students who are physically in school. We need to do this so in case of an emergency, we have accurate information of who is physically present in the building. If your child is absent on a scheduled day for them to be at school physically, but attends class from home through zoom, they will still be marked absent.

OCTOBER CALENDAR

Starting October 5th, students will return to MP two days a week on a rotating basis, with all students live streaming on Fridays. Our blue students (last name A-K) will be attending on Monday and Wednesday. Our red students (Last name L-Z) will be attending Tuesday and Thursday. When students are not physically in school, they are following their schedule from home and zooming in to classes. The calendar and hybrid bell schedule are attached to this email.

ROTATION DAYS

The calendar has marked which rotation day it is for students. To meet the needs of students, we had to manipulate days.

For grades **6 to 8**, for example, on October 5th and 6th, it is Day 1A, so both groups of students (Blue and Red) see the teacher live in person for the lesson, and can follow up, specifically with our schedule for specials.

We have observed the month of September and have made a change for **grade 5**. 5th Grade, we are moving to the Quint system currently in place for 7th Grade for their specials. This adjustment provides the following benefits:

- o Ends the calendar confusion for students and families.
- Eliminates the long gaps between in-person instruction caused by the rotation for specials and allows students to concentrate on one class and learn where to go in the building to reduce confusion.

5th grade will only have one special for 32 to 36 days straight. Each Day will be an A day for 5th grade during the first quintmester. Students will have all of their core classes and one special per day. After the first quintmester is complete, we will move to the 2nd special.

	NESHAMINY SCHOOL DISTRICT						
	OCTOBER 2020						
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY			
***			DAY 4B 1	DAY 1E 2			
	STUDENTS WILL LIV		ALL STUDENTS	ALL STUDENTS			
CLASS VIA	ZOOM MONDAY-T	ASYNCHRONOUS ON	SYNCHRONOUS ON ZOOM				
			CANVAS				
DAY 1A 5	DAY 1A 6	DAY 2A 7	DAY 2A 8	DAY 2A			
BLUE-IN SCHOOL	RED-IN SCHOOL	BLUE-IN SCHOOL	RED-IN SCHOOL	ALL STUDENTS			
RED-LIVESTREAM	BLUE-LIVESTREAM	RED-LIVESTREAM	BLUE-LIVESTREAM	SYNCHRONOUS ON ZOOM			
DAY 3A 12	DAY 3A 13	DAY 4A 14	DAY 4A 15	DAY 3A 16			
BLUE-IN SCHOOL	RED-IN SCHOOL	BLUE-IN SCHOOL	RED-IN SCHOOL	ALL STUDENTS			
RED-LIVESTREAM	BLUE-LIVESTREAM	RED-LIVESTREAM	BLUE-LIVESTREAM	SYNCHRONOUS ON ZOOM			
DAY 1A 19	DAY 1A 20	DAY 2A 21	DAY 2A 22	DAY 4A 23			
BLUE-IN SCHOOL	RED-IN SCHOOL	BLUE-IN SCHOOL	RED-IN SCHOOL	ALL STUDENTS			
RED-LIVESTREAM	BLUE-LIVESTREAM	RED-LIVESTREAM	BLUE-LIVESTREAM	SYNCHRONOUS ON ZOOM			
DAY 3A 26	DAY 3A 27	DAY 4A 28	DAY 4A 29	DAY 1A 30			
BLUE-IN SCHOOL	RED-IN SCHOOL	BLUE-IN SCHOOL	RED-IN SCHOOL	ALL STUDENTS			
RED-LIVESTREAM	BLUE-LIVESTREAM	RED-LIVESTREAM	BLUE-LIVESTREAM	SYNCHRONOUS ON ZOOM			

HYBRID BELL SCHEDULES

It is important that students follow the hybrid bell schedule as they participate from home during the live stream. Starting Monday, October 5th, this is the bell schedule that will be followed. There are 6 minutes built in between classes for transition when in the building. Students should be logged on to their classroom Zoom 5 minutes prior to it beginning. Our advice is to join the meeting as soon as possible. Students will enter a virtual waiting room. Teachers will then admit them to class. If a student has to do something at home between classes, such as use the bathroom, have them start the zoom.

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MPMS HYBRID BELL SCHEDULE GRADES 6-8				MPMS HYBRID BELL SCHEDULE GRADE 5		
HOME	HOMEROOM 8:00-8:05		HOMEROOM	8:00-8:05		
TRAN	TRANSITION 6 MINUTES		PERIOD 1	8:05-8:58 (53 MINUTES)		
PER	PERIOD 1 8:11-8:54 (43 MINUTES)		TRANSITION	6 MINUTES		
TRAN	TRANSITION 6 MINUTES		PERIOD 2	9:04-9:57 (53 MINUTES)		
PER	PERIOD 2 9:00-9:43 (43 MINUTES)		TRANSITION	6 MINUTES		
TRANSITION		6 MINU	6 MINUTES		10:03-10:23 (20 MINUTES)	
PERIOD 3 9:49-10:32		9:49-10:32 (43	MINUTES)	TRANSITION	6 MINUTES	
TRAN:	SITION	6 MINUTES		PERIOD 3	10:29-11:22 (53 MINUTES)	
GRADE	LUNCH	PERIOD 4	PERIOD 5	TRANSITION	6 MINUTES	
6	10:38-11:08	11:14-11:57 (43 MIN.)	12:03-12:46 (43 MIN.)	PERIOD 4	11:28-12:21 (53 MINUTES)	
7	11:27-11:57	10:38-11:21 (43 MIN.)	12:03-12:46 (43 MIN.)	TRANSITION	6 MINUTES	
8	12:16-12:46	10:38-11:21 (43 MIN.)	11:27-12:10 (43 MIN.)	MORE MATH/FLES	12:27-12:59 (32 MINUTES)	
TRAN	SITION	6 MINUTES		TRANSITION	6 MINUTES	
PER	IOD 6	12:52-1:35 (43 MINUTES)		LUNCH	1:05-1:35 (30 MINUTES)	
TRANSITION		6 MINUTES		TRANSITION	6 MINUTES	
PER	IOD 7	1:41-2:24 (43 MINUTES)		SPECIALS	1:41-2:24 (43 MINUTES)	
TRANSITION		6 MINUTES		TRANSITION	6 MINUTES	
WIN		2:30-2	:55	WIN	2:30-2:55	

Students who are attending Maple Point virtually will only attend the live stream on their assigned day. If you assigned to the blue day, you do not attend your special on the red day live as it will be the same lesson you had the previous day.

ZOOM EXPECTATIONS

When students are home, they are expected to be in class on ZOOM. Students will follow the bell schedule. Students will be able to see and hear what is happening in the classroom. When at home, their camera and microphones will be off to limit distractions and behaviors. Students will be able to send messages only to the teacher through the chat feature. Teachers will have a check in during the period with those on zoom.

When students are home, they will not live stream to Study Hall or Physical Education classes. Because of the movement in Physical Education, it will not allow for students at home to see and hear what is occurring in the class room for numerous reasons.

WIN

Our WIN period (Whatever I Need Period) will return this year. However, it will look a bit different. Students will meet with teachers through Zoom for assistance and help. Students who are not physically in school do not have to attend WIN, but if they need help or have questions, this period is dedicates to assist them.

STUDENT ARRIVAL and DISMISSAL- REMINDER!!!

<u>DISMISSAL WILL BEGIN AT 2:40 for Car Riders and Walkers to</u> <u>help move increased traffic from the parking lots so buses can</u> <u>leave on time by 3:05.</u>

STUDENT DROP OFF TIMES – NEW THIS YEAR. This year, students will report to their 1st period core class for the day as they enter the building. For 7th grade, this means they report to their 2nd period for attendance purposes. Students may enter starting at 7:25

Students riding the bus, per the Commonwealth's order, must wear a mask.

<u>Students are not permitted to enter the building before 7:25 a.m.</u>, unless they are involved in a scheduled co-curricular program. For the safety and well-being of all our students as they arrive each day we want to ensure sufficient staff supervision in the building.

NEW...NEW...NEW

- There are two drop off and pick up points for walkers and car riders. EACH IS
 <u>A ONE WAY TRAFFIC PATTERN. Please see the pictures following this</u>
 information.
- Parents dropping off or picking up students are asked to use either entrance: Langhorne Yardley Road or Woodbourne Road. Whichever you choose, please leave using the same way. We expect more traffic in our parking lots and student safety is PARAMOUNT. Parents are not permitted to park in parking spots to drop or pick up students. Please stay in line and pull up to the gym or auditorium in the car line to have your students enter or exit your car. To help insure the safety of students and drivers, one-way patterns are in effect at all times during drop off and pickups. Parents dropping off and picking up students during bus transport times <u>cannot</u> use the rear parking area. The back of the building is off limits. Doors will open at 7:25 a.m. and pickup will occur starting at 2:40 p.m. We ask that you pull close to the curb to avoid blocking the drive.
- We will have adults and signage out to direct traffic as we become familiar with the new traffic patterns. We appreciate your patience as we institute this change in order to make sure students are safe and traffic flows the best that it can.
- Early dismissals and late drop off may still use the front entrance during non-busing times (7:55 – 2:55). There will be tables set up outside the main office to drop off items to limit people coming in the building.

Please review the pictures for drop off and arrival procedures. All buses will enter from Woodbourne Road and travel the yellow route to the back of the building to drop off and pick up students.

WOODBOURNE ROAD CAR TRAFFIC PATTERN





LANGHORNE YARDLEY ROAD TRAFFIC PATTERN





As we move to the Hybrid Model, we are excited to see our students returning. We will need your help as we move forward in making this transition successful. Please help us by talking with your student about our MP3 School Wide Positive Behavior Model which has three components: Be Respectful, Be Responsible, and Be Safe. Students are returning to a new normal. All of our choices will determine how successful we are in our students learning and well-being. If we follow our MP3, we will continue to move in the right direction. If you have any questions or concerns, as always, please feel free to contact us.

Sincerely,
Mr. Andy Sokol
Principal
Maple Point