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If I originally chose school based and now want to remain virtual, can I do that? What if those who chose virtual now want to do school-based?

Families were asked to complete the Virtual Learning Academy Intent Form before school started to let the district know if their student(s) would prefer to learn virtually or school-based.

Class rosters were based on requests at the beginning of the school year for school-based or virtual. A request to switch to school-based or virtual should be emailed to the principal so students can be added to a waiting list.

Therefore, students requesting a switch to school-based or virtual at this time will be put on a waiting list.

- Students on the waiting list may be moved to school-based or virtual if there is room within the school schedule.
- After verification from the principal that there is room within the school, students can make the transition as early as the first day of in-person instruction.
- After verification from the principal that there is **not** room to accommodate within the school schedule, students can remain on the waiting list in case a seat becomes available.
- A request to switch a student with an IEP, 504, or an I-ELP to the school-based or virtual option should be emailed to the principal and will be considered on a case by case basis based on the student's IEP or I-ELP, language development level, and individual student's needs.

Why separate the students? What is the difference between Group A and Group B?

This will allow each school to familiarize their students with new school protocols & procedures, as well as introduce children back to the classroom setting. The A/B rotation will be alphabetical and determined by each school. **Parents/Guardians should contact the school(s) if conflicts arise in siblings' assigned rotation.**

- First Class Pre-K – **Group A is A-L and Group B is M-Z**
- Columbia - **Group A is A-K and Group B is L-Z**
- Heritage - **Group A is A-L and Group B is M-Z**
- Horizon - **Group A is A-K and Group B is L-Z**
- Madison - **Group A is A-K and Group B is L-Z**
- Mill Creek - **Group A is A-M and Group B is N-Z**
- Rainbow - **Group A is A-H and Group B is I-Z**
- West Madison - **Group A is A-K and Group B is L-Z**
- Discovery - **Group A is A-K and Group B is L-Z**
- Liberty - **Group A is A-K and Group B is L-Z**
- Bob Jones - **Group A is A-K and Group B is L-Z**
- James Clemens - **Group A is A-K and Group B is L-Z**

Can siblings with different last names be put in synch in the A-B rotations?

Yes, accommodations can be made to do that by working with your school principal

Will the classrooms maintain 6 feet of social distancing?

We cannot guarantee that students will be 6 feet apart for the duration of the school day. We will distance as best we can and move to large spaces when we can. Students will be in seating assignments distanced apart. Students and teachers will wear face masks and there will be plexiglass shields on desks and tables.

Will the after school programs be available when in-person school begins again?

There will be no extended day at this time. A reevaluation will be conducted after fall break.

Will virtual students still be able to pick up lunch?

Lunch will be provided at schools for school-based learners. Virtual students can still order ahead of time for pickup at their school.

Will Transportation be provided?

Buses will be running their normal routes.

For students with a MCS-issued chrome book, do they bring it to school with them?

Further details will be given in the next school reentry update this week.