

# NORCROSS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Dear Families,

On August 4, GCPS announced a plan to begin in-person instruction for students whose parents selected this learning environment for their child. The plan calls for bringing in a limited number of grade levels at first and then adding more grades on a staggered basis. **Beginning Wednesday, August 26, students in Kindergarten, 1<sup>st</sup> grade, 6<sup>th</sup> grade, and 9<sup>th</sup> grade and all self-contained special education classes will begin in-person instruction.** [For details on the staggered return of all grade levels over the next few weeks please click here.](#)

As you had indicated you wanted your child to attend school in-person, we wanted to remind you of the schedule and share additional information with you to make this transition as easy as possible. A reminder that our schools have extensive protective measures in place to sanitize our facilities, maintain social distance to the fullest extent possible, and make the return to school as safe as possible for children and adults. You will find this and other information on our school website and on the [district website](#). However, it will take all of us doing our part to help us achieve a positive, safe start to in-person instruction for Gwinnett's children. As students return, we will be reminding them that everyone has a part to play and that we all need to be safe, be smart, and be responsible.

Thank you for your continued support of our students, teachers, and schools. As a school community, we look forward to the return of our students.

## Important Parent Information

1. Prior to your child(ren) returning to school, we ask that you review and complete the form regarding GCPS expectations for students and parents ([Click Here to Complete Form](#)).
2. If your child is riding the bus, you will find the bus information by signing in to the parent portal.
  - Click on **Student Information** and select *Click Here to Access*.
  - Click **Student Info** from the menu on the left.
  - Scroll to view the bus information, including bus number, bus stop time, and location of the bus stop.
  - If you do not have a parent portal account, or if you are unable to find your child's bus information, please contact Irma Kimble or Esperanza Faz at 770-448-2188.
3. Please be advised of the following:
  - For car riders and day care, please visit <https://www2.mypaymentsplus.com/welcome> to complete the alternate transportation information.
  - Due to safety concerns, visitors are not permitted in the building without a pre-arranged appointment. In addition, parents will not be allowed to walk their child to class. Faculty will be available to escort children to class.

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- Students will need to bring a bottle filled with water only because the water fountains in all schools have been turned off for use.
- Students who have checked out a device will need to bring them to school. They will remain in the classroom unless there is a need to send them home. Students will use them as needed in the classroom. If your child has a personal device, he/she may bring it to school each day to support learning.

## Classrooms

- Students will sit in rows and face the same direction to support social distancing.
- Teachers will conduct small groups with a limited number of students in each group.
- Daily classroom cleaning and sanitation will occur before and after school and when students leave the classroom during the day.

## Masks

- Students and staff are required to wear masks. Masks with an exhalation valve or vent are not permitted based on CDC recommendations.
- Students are not required to wear masks while eating.
- Students are not required to wear masks at recess as long as social distancing is possible.

## Playground

- Students will have daily recess at pre-assigned stations with their teacher.
- There will be one class per station. Classes will rotate each day.
- Playground structures cannot be used.
- Students should not bring equipment from home.
- Sharing of equipment will be limited.
- Students are not required to wear a mask if they are able to social distance.

## Cafeteria

- Kindergarten, First Grade, and self-contained classes will eat in the cafeteria at breakfast and lunch.
- Students eating in the cafeteria will sit every other seat on one side of the table.
- Students in grades 2-5 will eat in their classrooms for breakfast and lunch.
- Students will receive ID cards with a barcode to ensure a touchless checkout.
- Items will be wrapped, packaged, or cupped.
- Parents are not permitted to eat breakfast or lunch with their child.

We look forward to having students back in the school building!

Sincerely,

Kassia Sutton  
Principal