

Arbutus Middle School's Reopening Information

Arrival 8:10am - Dismissal 2:50pm

Arbutus Middle School is looking forward to welcoming our students back to school. We are committed to providing our students with a safe and healthy learning environment.

The Regular Bell Schedule will begin **MARCH 15, 2021.**

AMS Bell Schedule: REGULAR SCHEDULE: Staff on duty at 8:05/Students enter at 8:10/ Students dismiss at 2:50/Staff dismisses at 3:05

6 TH	HR 8:20-8:25 (5 min)	PERIOD 1 8:25-9:45	PERIOD 2 9:55-11:15	6 TH GR. LUNCH A 11:25-11:55 (30 min)	PERIOD 3 12:00-1:20		PERIOD 4 1:30-2:50	PM ANNOUNCE. 2:45-2:50 (2 min)
7 TH	Teachers on duty by 8:05am			PERIOD 3 11:25-12:10	7 TH GR. LUNCH B 12:15-12:45 (30 min)	PERIOD 3 12:50-1:20		Teachers off duty at 3:05pm
8 TH				PERIOD 3 11:25-12:45	8 TH GR. LUNCH C 12:50-1:20 (30 min)			

Arrival & Dismissal Procedures:

- Students should be dropped off no earlier than 8:10am to avoid standing outside at their grade level designated entrance. Staff will be on duty to supervise at 8:10am.
- Entrance and Exits: 6th grade – Cafeteria doors, 7th grade – Main entrance, 8th grade – Gym doors
- Students must adhere to social distancing guidelines and wear masks when on school property.
- Students may not remain on school grounds after 3pm.
- Parents should avoid early pick-ups and scheduling appointments during class times.

Face Coverings:

- Face coverings are required for all persons in a BCPS facility or vehicle as well as on BCPS property. Face coverings are required during transportation to/from school on a bus as well as outdoors on campuses.
- Each school, office, and school bus will have a supply of disposable face coverings for students and employees who forget their face covering or whose face covering becomes soiled or damaged.
- Bandanas and scarves are not appropriate face coverings.

Screening & Stay Home When Appropriate:

- All employees and students are expected to screen themselves daily for symptoms of COVID-19.
- **Remain home** if you have symptoms, confirmed COVID-19 illness, had recent contact with a person with COVID-19 and/or awaiting test results.
- Parents will receive a screening checklist and magnet with the screening practices.
- All parents are to complete the attestation form monthly (downloadable form on BCPS website and also available in the school office).
- Students will be sent to the nurse with any symptoms of illness. Parents must be available to pick up their student or designate a caregiver (with a note) to pick up student from the school nurse.

Social Distancing:

- Classroom furniture and cafeteria seating is arranged to provide 6-foot separation between students.
- Reduced gathering of students in any area – refer to changes in arrival and dismissal procedures and movement in the hallways.
- Plexiglass partitions will be used in cafeterias and classrooms.

Hand Hygiene:

- Times for handwashing or use of hand sanitizer to include before and after meals, upon arrival to

Breakfast & Lunch:

- Bagged breakfast and lunch will be served daily.
- One entrée per day.

<p>schools, offices, and home, before and after use of any shared items, after use of the restroom, after sneezing/coughing and other time hands are contaminated.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Restroom use is limited occupancy with staggered times to comply with social distancing guidelines. • Restrooms will be disinfected throughout the day. • Teachers will sign student in/out to use the restroom during class. • Touch points such as doorknobs and handles will be disinfected throughout the day. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No money will be exchanged. • Cafeteria will be used for lunch time. • Seating is socially distanced and assigned by classroom. • No lunch lines – food will be delivered to each lunch table. • No vending machines – all touch points are minimized. • Tables will be disinfected after each lunch shift. • Students will have access to sinks for handwashing before and after lunch.
<p>Supplies & Devices:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students may bring standard backpacks to school. • School supplies should be limited to device, charger, notebook, pen/pencil, art sketchbook (as needed), hand sanitizer, extra mask, small pencil sharpener, water bottle. • Students will need to bring their own writing implements – pens and pencils cannot be shared. 	<p>Visitors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All visitors to any BCPS school must have an appointment. • Visits will be conducted remotely or outside, whenever possible. • If an indoor visit is required, visitors will be required to wear a face coverings and practice social distancing. • The number of people admitted to the building will be limited.
<p>Hallways and Stairs/Movement in the Building</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students use one designated stairwell per grade level. • Hallway transitions are staggered by grade level. • Movement in the building is limited to designated areas. • Students must sign into areas in the school using the E(agles)-Hall Pass for contact tracing purposes. LOCKERS WILL NOT BE USED. 	<p>Desks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will be facing forward and 6 feet apart. • Seating will be assigned. • Desks will be wiped down at the end of each period with approved sanitizing wipes. • Hand washing between class periods will be available as well as hand sanitizer.
<p>Buses</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students must wear masks. • Students are spaced one student per seat. • Siblings from the same household may sit together. • Students will adhere to social distancing guidelines as they embark and disembark the bus. • Students may not switch buses at any time. 	<p>Schedule</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All students will follow the in-person Bell Schedule beginning March 15. • Classes are approximately 80 minutes long. Lunches are 30 minutes. • Teachers plan for direct instruction and small group individual work for both hybrid and virtual learners. All students will remain engaged in the lesson for the full 80 minutes. • Each grade will be dismissed from the office intercom to stagger hallway use. • Announcements will take place at the beginning of Period 2.