

Bell Middle School September 2021 Opening Update

Parents

August 25, 2021



Building Priorities



- Safely Reopen
- Return To A More Typical Middle School Experience
- Foster A Community of Learners and Sense of Belonging
- Support Students' Social And Emotional Wellbeing
- Provide An Academically Rigorous, Developmentally Responsive, And Socially Equitable Program
- Have Fun!

Indoor Learning

- → Individual Student Students will be separated by at least 3 feet in classrooms
- → Students will transition to different classes
- → Desk covers will be available for student use

Outdoor Learning

- Class Assemblies &Other Large Gatherings
- → Physical Education
- → Instrumental Music
- → Mask Breaks

Other Important Information for Your Planning

- Regular Schedules for All Students
- Normal Pick Up/Drop Off Procedures
- Visitors must be scheduled in advance & must be masked indoors
- All After School Programs & Transportation will resume
- Twins will not be placed together due to updated WCDOH quarantine guidance

Technology Deployment & Access

ACCESS:

- Surface Go Tablets Distributed September 1
- Students Hold Devices
- Home Connectivity (WiFi)

PRACTICE:

- Teachers Will Instruct and Review:
 - Google Classroom / Canvas
 - Software & Hardware

Contingent Schedule Summary



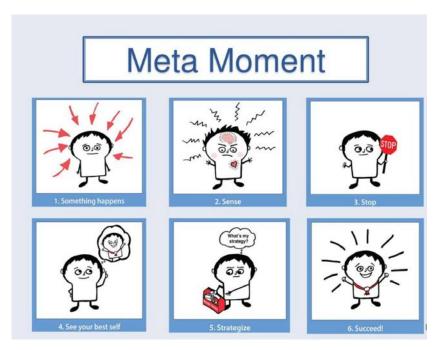
Contingency Remote Shift

- Synchronous Instruction
- Bell & Seven Bridges
 - Regular Day and Period Schedule
 - 7:55-2:30
 - 18 min Advisory
 - 53 min Periods
 - 38 min Lunch

Social Emotional Learning & Support

RULER CORE Morning Routine:

- Charter Check-In
- Mood Meter Check-In
- Focused Breathing (meta-moment)
- Community Circle (blueprint)
- RULER Lessons and Units





Your Community Charter



Students in classrooms with positive climates behave better in class and perform better academically than students from classrooms rated less positively.

- 1. How do we want to feel in school?
- 2. How can we help each other feel this way?



Establishing Emotional Safety by Building a Positive Emotional Climate

The Mood Meter

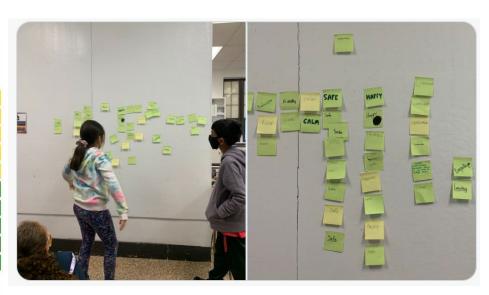
Shockingly, the mean number of emotions that people can identify emotions in themselves and others is *three;* commonly bad, sad, and glad.

-Brene Brown, Unv. of Texas

MOOD METER

How are you feeling?

ENERGY	ENRAGED	PANICKED	STRESSED	ATTERY	SHOCKED	SUPRISED	UPBEAT	FESTIVE	EXHILARATED	ECSTATIC
	LIVID	FURIOUS	FRUSTRATED	TENSE	STUNNED	HYPER	CHEERFUL	MOTIVATED	INSPIRED	ELATED
	FUMING	PRIGHTENED	ANGRY	NERVOUS	RESTLESS	ENERGIZED	LIVELY	ENTHUSIASTIC	OPTIMISTIC	EXCITED
	ANXIOUS	APPREHENSIVE	WORRIED	INNITATED	ANNOYED	PLEASED	HAPFY	FOCUSED	PROUD	THRILLED
	REPULSED	TROUBLED	CONCERNED	UNEASY	PERVED	PLEASANT	JOYFUL	HOPEFUL	PLAYFUL	BLISSFUL
	DISGUSTED	GLUM	DISAPPOINTED	DOWN	APATHETIC	AT EASE	EASYGOING	CONTENT	LOVING	PULPILLED
	PESSIMISTIC	MOROSE	DISCOURAGED	SAD	BORED	CALM	SECURE	SATSIFIED	GRATEFUL	TOUCHED
	ALIENATED	MISERABLE	LONELY	DISHEARTENED	TIRED	RELAXED	CHILL	RESTFUL	BLESSED	BALANCED
	DESPONDENT	DEPRESSED	SULLEN	EXHAUSTED	FATIGUED	MELLOW	THOUGHTFUL	PEACEFUL	COMFY	CAREFREE
	DESPAIR	HOPELESS	DESOLATE	SPENT	DRAINED	SLEEPY	COMPLACENT	TRANQUIL	cozy	SERENE
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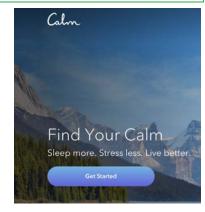


Focused Breathing

- Please sit comfortably with a tall, straight back
- Close your eyes or cast your gaze downward.
- When I begin counting, inhale deeply through your nose until I reach the number five.
- Then, hold your breath as I hold mine for three seconds.
- When I begin counting down from five, slowly exhale until I reach one again.

Helps alleviate stress, anxiety and other unpleasant emotions.







Community Circles

The community circle calls for student participation in a safe and predictable way and should be introduced using topics and conversations that are initially low-stakes.

The purpose of the community circle is to create **space for** students to both speak and listen to one another while problem-solving, team-building, or addressing conflict.





Remote Instruction - Eligibility

(documentation will be required)

Students who are positive for COVID-19 and required to isolate and/or quarantine.

Students who are required to quarantine by the NYSDOH/WCDOH/Physician.

Students who are medically fragile and unable to be vaccinated.

Symptomatic students who submit proof of a pending COVID-19 test to School Nurse.





Layered Prevention Strategies

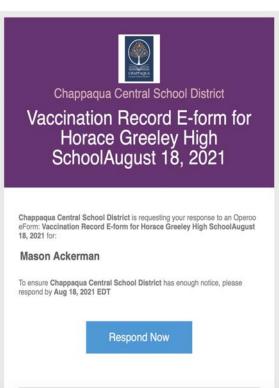
Daily Screening Strategy:

- Masks Indoors
- Temperature Checks Continued -Students, Staff, Visitors
- Operoo will Continue for Unvaccinated Students and Staff
- K-12 Students will have assigned seats in classrooms.
- Staff & Parents of Students aged 12-21 Can Upload Vaccine Card in Operoo to be Exempt from Screener (next slide)



Layered Prevention Strategies

Operoo Exemption Process



Vaccination Record E-form for Horace Greeley High SchoolAugust 18, 20	21
Disclaimer: do not fill this e-form out unless your child has to specific vaccine.	ıken t
Did your child receive the full dosage of the Pfizer vaccine? * Yes No	
When did your child receive their first vaccine dose?*	
When did your child receive their second vaccine dose?	
Please upload an image of your child's vaccination record. Choose File no file selected	
List of Allowed file types	
Submit Response Save for later	

Vaccination Status Verification

Benefits of Completing this Process:

- Daily Screening Discontinued
- District Will Note You as Vaccinated to the WCDOH if Exposed to COVID-19
- Allows the District to Track Our Vaccination Numbers
- May Help Us Make Closure Decisions for Greeley & Grades 7 & 8

Operoo Email - Send Date:

Students - Tuesday (8/24)



Layered Prevention Strategies

- Clear Protocols for Unvaccinated Symptomatic Students & Staff
- Reentry Process for COVID-19 Positive Students/Staff
- Hallway lockers will not be issued to MS students in September (students WILL NOT carry textbooks, multiple binders, etc. from class to class)
- The MS locker rooms will be open before & after school only for student-athletes (lockers rooms will not be open during pre-season)
- Parent meetings and events will be outside whenever possible
- Staff/Student/Parent Pandemic Education
- Unvaccinated Student Athletes and Coaches will be Tested Weekly





Cleaning Procedures

- Clean & disinfect frequently touched surfaces (door handles, handrails, bathrooms) throughout the school day
- Clean & disinfect bathrooms throughout the school day
- Deep clean each evening with Clorox 360 Sprayers
- Disinfect communal eating spaces after use
- Provide disinfectants for classrooms for individual space use
- Restricted water fountain access
- Maintain building logs to ensure all custodial staff are meeting cleaning expectations

The above procedures are in addition to our normal cleaning processes and will be subject to further guidance to be issued by NYSED, WCDOH or and/other governing authorities





Transportation

Bus Procedures:

- Students and staff <u>will wear masks</u> at all times on the bus. Bus drivers will have masks for students who do not have one from home
- Students will socially distance on the bus when space permits (siblings <u>WILL</u> sit together)
- When boarding the bus, each student's temperature <u>WILL</u> be taken.
- Bus drivers will open windows and roof hatches slightly to increase airflow
- Students will not be permitted to eat or drink on the bus
- We will assigned seats 5-8 (students will not ride unassigned buses to start)

Bus Cleaning Procedures:

- All buses will be disinfected before the AM and PM series
- High contact areas will be wiped down between runs (ex. handrails)





Food Services

- Lunch and Recess Outside Whenever Possible
- Students will sit at least seven feet from each other the cafeteria, gym or other large space (when not eating outdoors)
- Free lunch will be provided for all students grades k-12 (similar process as 2020/21) & items will also be available for purchase





Procedures if My Child is Symptomatic/ **COVID-19 Positive**



Do Not Send Your Child to School

<u>Unvaccinated Students:</u> COVID Test or Doctor's Note to Required to Return (send documentation to nurse that COVID test was administered and we will grant access to our program remotely)

<u>Vaccinated Students:</u> Contact Pediatrician to Determine if COVID-19 Test is Required & Contact School Nurse



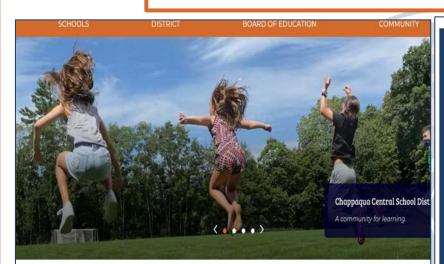
My Child Tests Positive for COVID-19

- 1. Secure Copy of Test Result
- 2. Contact Principal & Send Results via Email

Child May Access Remote Instruction until Medically Cleared by Pediatrician or WCDOH to Return to School

Siblings may access remote instruction if provided written documentation to quarantine by WCDOH (will likely depend on vaccination status).

Community Notification Process



District News & Events



COVID-19 **CCSD Information** & Resources

Board of Education Meeting (Ed Center)

District-wide September Opening Parent Webinar



HS Fall Sports Parents Mtg (Online)

CCSD RESOURCES

- AUGUST 17 ATHLETIC UPDATE #2
- AUGUST 13 <u>SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATE #4</u>
- AUGUST 12 <u>SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATE #3</u>
- AUGUST 5 <u>SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATE #2</u>
- AUGUST 4 ATHLETIC DIRECTOR'S UPDATE #1
- JULY 20 SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATE #1

EXTERNAL RESOURCES

- NYSED HEALTH AND SAFETY GUIDE FOR THE 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR
- CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION WEBSITE
- NYS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH WEBSITE
- NYS EDUCATION DEPARTMENT COVID-19 WEBSITE
- WESTCHESTER COUNTY DOH COVID-19 WEBSITE
- AMERICAN ACADEMY OF PEDIATRICS COVID-19 WEBSITE

2020-2021 ARCHIVE

Friday- Aug. 27, 2021

SCHOOLWIDE NOTIFICATION: POSITIVE COVID-19

CASE

No post to display.

Building Notifications

Specific building notices will be sent if there is a COVID-19 exposure that results in a school exclusion of 5 or more individuals

SCHOOLWIDE NOTIFICATION: POSITIVE COVID-19 CASE

PARENT NOTIFICATION: JUNE 19-25, 2021

Enter your email to receive all building notifications.

Weekly District Notification

Number of New COVID-19 Positive Cases Reported & Confirmed 8/21/21-8/27/21

Saturday-Friday

School	New Cases by Bldg. Person WAS infectious while onsite	New Cases by Bldg. Person was NOT Infectious while onsite	New Individuals <u>Excluded</u> from Bldg. due to <u>Onsite</u> <u>Exposure</u>
Roaring Brook			
Westorchard			ĺ
Grafflin			
Bell			
Seven Bridges			
Greeley			
District Office/ Maintenance			
Total (8/21-8/27)			

Save The Date

2021 Virtual Open House Schedule









September 22nd at 7pm



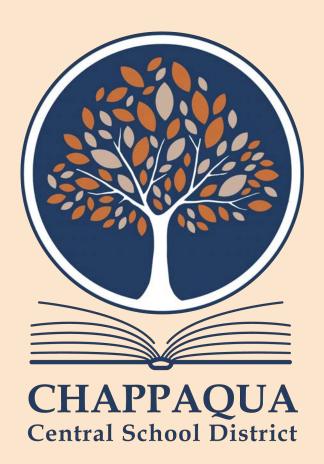
September 23rd at 7pm





September 30th at 7pm







Welcome Back Principal Coffees

Outside In Our Courtyards

** Coffees will be rescheduled in the event of inclement weather **

GRAFFLIN

Thursday, October 7th K-2 from 9:15-10:00 3-4 from 10:15-11:00

ROARING BROOK

Thursday, October 7th K-2 from 9:15-10:00 3-4 from 10:15-11:00

WESTORCHARD

Friday, September 24th K-2 from 9:15-10:00 3-4 from 10:15-11:00

BELL

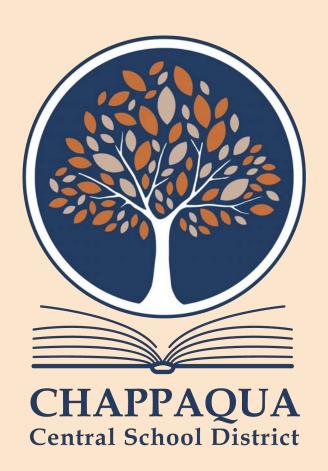
Thursday, October 14th 9am & 7pm

SEVEN BRIDGES

Thursday, October 14th 9am & 7pm

GREELEY

Tuesday, October 5th 10am & 6pm



Thank You Q/A

