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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Last week at the Board of Education meeting, district administrators presented a plan for further reopening our schools. This correspondence will outline **improved synchronous/asynchronous teaching and learning expectations** effective October 19, the **combining of Blue and Gold Teams** on November 16, and an implementation of **Full Day scheduling for the remainder of the year, effective Monday, December 7, 2020.**

**Improved Synchronous/Asynchronous Teaching and Learning Expectations**

Up until this point the district has not required synchronous or asynchronous minutes, lessons or periods. Effective **Monday, October 19**, the delivery of instruction will be as follows:

<b>October</b>					
Compressed Schedule	19	20	21 Virtual - <span style="background-color: #FF00FF; padding: 2px;">Synchronous</span>	22	23 <span style="background-color: #00FF00; padding: 2px;">Parents indicate any change to their child's schedule effective 11/16</span>
Compressed Schedule	26	27	28 Virtual - <span style="background-color: #FF00FF; padding: 2px;">Synchronous</span>	29	30

<b>November</b>					
Compressed Schedule	2	3 Virtual - <span style="background-color: #FF00FF; padding: 2px;">Synchronous</span>	4	5 Teachers' Convention (No instruction)	6 Teachers' Convention (No instruction)
Compressed Schedule	9 <span style="background-color: #0000FF; color: white;">Synchronous</span>	10	11 Virtual - <span style="background-color: #FF00FF; padding: 2px;">Synchronous</span>	12	13 <span style="background-color: #FF00FF; padding: 2px;">Synchronous</span>

Compressed Schedule (Blue Gold combined from Nov. 16 on)	16 Blue and Gold Synchronous	17 Blue and Gold	18 Virtual - Synchronous	19 Blue and Gold	20 Blue and Gold Synchronous
Compressed Schedule  (Early Dismissal)	23 Synchronous Blue and Gold	24 Synchronous Blue and Gold	25 Synchronous Blue and Gold	26 Thanksgiving	27 Break
Compressed Schedule (Early Dismissal)	30 Synchronous Blue and Gold				

Specific expectations for Synchronous/Asynchronous Teaching and Learning are being developed by Administrators, blended learning specialists, and teachers. The Expectations per building will be sent to you by your child's Principal by October 16.

### Schedule

- Effective Monday, November 16, the **Blue and Gold Teams will be invited to attend school together** on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday on an early dismissal schedule. Wednesday is a Synchronous day for all learners. This model **doubles instructional time for students on the Blue and Gold Teams.**
- Please note that due to the increased number of students in our schools and classes, social distancing may not be achievable in all areas and at all times. For details of how your child's school is addressing things like passing time in the hallway or students in classrooms or cafeterias, please refer to that school's correspondence.
  - Students will still be required to wear masks (unless they are medically unable to)
  - Social distancing will be enforced in all areas possible
  - Students will still be screened with a temperature check in the morning as they enter school
  - The district will be providing a tri-fold screen as an added PPE for every student attending school to utilize in conjunction with masks to mitigate the spread of COVID-19.

November/December					
Compressed Schedule (Blue Gold combined from Nov. 16 on)	16 Blue and Gold Synchronous	17 Blue and Gold	18 Virtual - Synchronous	19 Blue and Gold	20 Blue and Gold Synchronous

Compressed Schedule (Early Dismissal)	23 ½ day Synchronous Blue and Gold	24 ½ day Synchronous Blue and Gold	25 ½ Day Synchronous Blue and Gold	26 Thanksgiving	27 Break
Compressed Schedule (Early Dismissal)	30 Synchronous Blue and Gold	1 Blue and Gold	2 Synchronous Blue and Gold	3 Blue and Gold	4 Synchronous Blue and Gold

**NOTE: Should you desire to change your child's current choice (Hybrid or Virtual), you must do so by October 23, 2020.** If you are comfortable having your child remain a Hybrid student, which means the bringing together of two teams and additional children in school, for example, there is nothing for you to do. If you are interested in switching, please log in to the Genesis Parent Portal where you can make the change for your child/children.

To further facilitate a sense of normalcy, fostering communal connections and increasing live contact time with teachers the district will be offering **Full Day instruction, inclusive of lunches beginning Monday, December 7, 2020** for the duration of the school year, with the exception of previously approved early dismissal days (such as the early dismissal days scheduled on Wednesday, November 25, the day prior to Thanksgiving and Wednesday, December 23, the day prior to the Christmas Eve, etc.) Should you have any questions regarding these updates and changes, please contact myself, Dr. McKay or your child's Principal.

Sincerely,

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