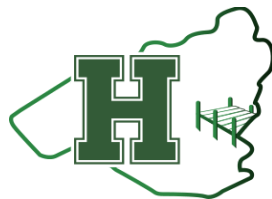


Hainesport Township School District

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March 1, 2021

Dear Parents/Guardians,

In the district's weekly dialogue with the Burlington County Health Department, our assigned health official emphasized that positive COVID cases have been trending down throughout the county, specifically in our own community. In fact, he stated that the numbers in Hainesport are currently the best he has seen since September 2020. Additionally, the county as a whole has moved from an activity level of high (orange) to an activity level of moderate (yellow).

Our district faces challenges that others are not currently experiencing. With such a high percentage of students choosing in-person instruction daily (80%, 5th highest in the county), and only having the use of one physical facility, the district is unable to bring additional students in daily without forsaking the Governor's Executive Order of 6 feet of social distance required between students.

Those few districts in the county utilizing 4 or 5 days of in-person instruction either have such a low student enrollment, where social distancing is the norm simply based on lack of students, OR have a high number of students choosing full remote instruction daily, OR have the use of multiple buildings in which to appropriately distance students throughout, OR have disregarded the health officials' recommendations to avoid cohort mixing.

However, our county health official stressed that there is no better time than now to add an additional day of in-person instruction, so long as the district is still able to comply with the Governor's 6 feet of social distancing between students, and preventing student cohorts from mixing. According to the local health experts at the county, these two facets still hold great weight in minimizing potential outbreaks of the virus in a school setting.

Hainesport Township School District will thus begin to utilize Wednesday as a FULL day of in-person learning beginning the week of March 22. Each week, student cohorts (A/B & C/D) will rotate the use of Wednesday, so that both have the opportunity for a third FULL day of in-person learning every other week.

Mixing student cohorts may soon no longer be deemed a high risk endeavor, and can be safely executed; and perhaps the 6 feet of required distance is either relaxed or eliminated altogether. If the Governor does modify or lift his Executive Order before June, or the county-wide and community COVID trends continue to improve, the district will then explore additional options for returning students to further days of in-person instruction.

With that said, the district will continue to have weekly dialogue with county health officials regarding specific COVID trends within our community. Please understand that if the data changes, the health officials may advise the district to return to remote Wednesdays or something further, which the district will follow accordingly.

Below, please see the student cohort schedule beginning the week of Monday, March 22, 2021.

WEEK OF MARCH 22, 2021			WEEK OF MARCH 29, 2021		
Monday - 3/22	COHORT A/B	Day 1	Monday - 3/29	COHORT A/B	Day 1
Tuesday - 3/23	COHORT A/B	Day 2	Tuesday - 3/30	COHORT C/D	Day 2
Wednesday - 3/24	COHORT A/B	Day 5	Wednesday - 3/31	COHORT C/D	Day 5
Thursday - 3/25	COHORT C/D	Day 5	Thursday - 4/1	COHORT C/D	Day 6
Friday - 3/26	COHORT C/D	Day 6	Friday - 4/2	SCHOOL CLOSED	
WEEK OF APRIL 5, 2021			WEEK OF APRIL 12, 2021		
Monday - 4/5	SCHOOL CLOSED		Monday - 4/12	COHORT A/B	Day 1
Tuesday - 4/6	SCHOOL CLOSED		Tuesday - 4/13	COHORT A/B	Day 2
Wednesday - 4/7	SCHOOL CLOSED		Wednesday - 4/14	COHORT A/B	Day 6
Thursday - 4/8	SCHOOL CLOSED		Thursday - 4/15	COHORT C/D	Day 5
Friday - 4/9	SCHOOL CLOSED		Friday - 4/16	COHORT C/D	Day 6
WEEK OF APRIL 19, 2021			WEEK OF APRIL 26, 2021		
Monday - 4/19	COHORT A/B	Day 1	Monday - 4/26	COHORT A/B	Day 1
Tuesday - 4/20	COHORT A/B	Day 2	Tuesday - 4/27	COHORT A/B	Day 2
Wednesday - 4/21	COHORT C/D	Day 1	Wednesday - 4/28	COHORT A/B	Day 5
Thursday - 4/22	COHORT C/D	Day 5	Thursday - 4/29	COHORT C/D	Day 5
Friday - 4/23	COHORT C/D	Day 6	Friday - 4/30	COHORT C/D	Day 6
WEEK OF MAY 3, 2021			WEEK OF MAY 10, 2021		
Monday - 5/3	COHORT A/B	Day 1	Monday - 5/10	COHORT A/B	Day 1
Tuesday - 5/4	COHORT A/B	Day 2	Tuesday - 5/11	COHORT A/B	Day 2
Wednesday - 5/5	COHORT C/D	Day 1	Wednesday - 5/12	COHORT A/B	Day 6
Thursday - 5/6	COHORT C/D	Day 5	Thursday - 5/13	COHORT C/D	Day 5
Friday - 5/7	COHORT C/D	Day 6	Friday - 5/14	COHORT C/D	Day 6

WEEK OF MAY 17, 2021			WEEK OF MAY 24, 2021		
Monday - 5/17	COHORT A/B	Day 1	Monday - 5/24	COHORT A/B	Day 1
Tuesday - 5/18	COHORT A/B	Day 2	Tuesday - 5/25	COHORT A/B	Day 2
Wednesday - 5/19	COHORT C/D	Day 2	Wednesday - 5/26	COHORT C/D	Day 5
Thursday - 5/20	COHORT C/D	Day 5	Thursday - 5/27	COHORT C/D	Day 6
Friday - 5/21	COHORT C/D	Day 6	Friday - 5/28	SCHOOL CLOSED	
WEEK OF MAY 31, 2021			WEEK OF JUNE 7, 2021		
Monday - 5/31	SCHOOL CLOSED		Monday - 6/7	COHORT A/B	Day 1
Tuesday - 6/1	TEACHER IN-SERVICE		Tuesday - 6/8	COHORT A/B	Day 2
Wednesday - 6/2	COHORT A/B	Day 1	Wednesday - 6/9	COHORT A/B	Day 6
Thursday - 6/3	COHORT C/D	Day 2	Thursday - 6/10	COHORT C/D	Day 5
Friday - 6/4	COHORT C/D	Day 5	Friday - 6/11	COHORT C/D	Day 6
WEEK OF JUNE 14, 2021			WEEK OF JUNE 21, 2021		
Monday - 6/14	COHORT A/B	Day 1	Monday - 6/21	COHORT A/B	Day 6
Tuesday - 6/15	COHORT A/B	Day 2	Tuesday - 6/22	COHORT C/D	Day 2
Wednesday - 6/16	COHORT C/D	Day 1	Wednesday - 6/23		
Thursday - 6/17	COHORT C/D	Day 5	Thursday - 6/24		
Friday - 6/18	COHORT C/D	Day 6	Friday - 6/25		

As we prepare for the fourth marking period, please update the district as to whether your child will attend school for hybrid in-person learning or opt for full-time remote learning. Please note, fourth marking period selections are in effect beginning Monday, April 12, 2021 and will conclude on Tuesday, June 22, 2021. Students who will be full-time remote for the fourth marking period will become eligible for in-person instruction at the start of the following school year. **Please complete the [Student Learning Option for Marking Period 4](#) form by *Friday, March 26, 2021*. If you have any questions, please contact the Main Office at 609-267-1316 ext. 201.**

Thank you for your support through these extremely challenging times.

Sincerely,

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