

# Miller Place Union Free School District

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## RE: Updated Phase II Instructional Plans

Dear Miller Place School District Community:

In partnership with the Miller Place Teachers' Association the District is updating Phase II of the Reopening Schools Plan as follows:

### Secondary Instruction Plan

Classroom lessons and student in-person attendance days have been amended to:

- ✓ Accommodate teacher professional development
- ✓ Implement live streaming classroom lessons beginning **Thursday, November 5, 2020**
- ✓ Suspending virtual instruction on Wednesdays and
- ✓ Providing in-person instruction to secondary students on Wednesdays on a cohort rotational basis.

Wednesday, October 28, 2020

Staff professional development day for additional Google training specific to the nuances of live streaming and how to incorporate best practices for synchronous and asynchronous instruction in a Google environment

There will be no student virtual attendance for NCRMS and MPHS students.

Wednesday, November 4, 2020

Secondary students will attend school in a virtual setting as they have in September and October

Thursday, November 5, 2020

Revised date for the implementation of live streaming secondary classroom lessons to students on assigned asynchronous days (updated from October 26, 2020).

Wednesday, November 18, 2020

Virtual instruction will be suspended until further notice  
Cohort 1 and 2 students will alternate in-person attendance  
Cohort 1 will attend in-person  
Cohort 2 will attend asynchronous

Wednesday, November 25, 2020

Cohort 2 will attend in-person  
Cohort 1 will attend asynchronous

Wednesday, December 2, 2020

Cohort 1 will attend in-person  
Cohort 2 will attend asynchronous

Wednesday, December 9, 2020	Cohort 2 will attend in-person Cohort 1 will attend asynchronous
Wednesday, December 16, 2020	Cohort 1 will attend in-person Cohort 2 will attend asynchronous
Wednesday, December 23, 2020	Cohort 2 will attend in-person Cohort 1 will attend asynchronous

The Board of Education will continue to review the Phase II secondary instructional models with the goal of increasing student-teacher direct in-person instruction in the safest mode possible in the future. This goal of increasing secondary students' in-school attendance days, while honoring social distancing, remains a District priority. As it has been discussed in the past, the District does not have the building and staffing capacity to return grades 6-12 students full-time, while honoring the six-foot social distancing recommendation.

### **Elementary Instruction Plan**

As parents may be aware, our primary and elementary school students have begun using grade appropriate Google classroom activities within the school day and for after school assignments. This may include lessons and practicing with signing on to a computer, logging on to Goggle and using the instructional platform for various projects.

As we await the delivery of the laptops ordered for our primary and elementary school students, we are practicing with our younger students learning in the new Google environment. We are doing this to prepare for a possible adjustment to the current instructional model should there be a Department of Health quarantine issued or a directive from Governor Cuomo regarding school closings due to COVID-19.

The next step in our planning process will be a remote learning day for Andrew Muller Primary School and Laddie A. Decker Sound Beach School students on **Wednesday, November 4, 2020**. Students will not attend school in-person, and will attend school virtually with their classroom teacher. This day will allow us to test our systems to ensure what we have planned on paper will work should a classroom be quarantined or a school closed.

Please note, if the primary and secondary student laptops have not been received and distributed by November 4, 2020, parents will need to provide their children with their own personal devices to be used for their remote learning day.

Additional information will be provided to parents/guardians in the near future with specifics regarding the structure of the remote learning day.

We again thank our students, parents/guardians, faculty and staff for your patience and understanding as we continue to modify and adjust our instructional plans to educate our students in the safest recommended environment.

Stay Informed ~ Stay Safe ~ Stay Positive.

Dr. Marianne F. Cartisano  
Superintendent of Schools