

MHS VIRTUAL SHORTS

Effective on January 3, 2022

Virtual School Updates

VIRTUAL INSTRUCTION

As per Dr. Caputo's email on 1/1/2022, *The Metuchen Public Schools will operate virtually for students on Monday (1/3), Tuesday (1/4), and Wednesday (1/5).*

Instruction Expectations

Students will log onto each class period's Google Meet for attendance and for instruction. Instruction should follow the workshop model where there is a balance between whole group and small group/independent activities. Not all work will be accomplished on Google Meet. Assignments will be posted on Google Classroom.

Please review the District's Expectations for virtual instruction (published and submitted to the NJDOE in October 2021) which is linked [HERE](#). (Note: We start all classes with cameras ON!)

We will return to in-person instruction for everyone on Thursday (1/6).

STUDENT VIRTUAL ATTENDANCE

Teachers are expected to take attendance for each class period and mark attendance on Genesis. Period 1 teachers will take both homeroom and class period attendance.

WHEN WE'RE BACK ON THURSDAY

The expectations are as follows:

- All students are required to fill out the daily health screening on Genesis BEFORE arrival to school.
- All students are required to bring and wear a properly fitted facemask. This means that **both** the nose and mouth are covered.

ATHLETICS & EXTRA-CURRICULARS

There are new guidelines and expectations from the NJDOE regarding both athletics and extra-curricular activities. At this time, all athletics and extra-curricular activities are canceled. **No gatherings/practices are to occur while we are virtual.** Stay tuned for updates from the district.

SCHEDULE

We will be following a regular day schedule:

REGULAR SCHOOL DAY SCHEDULE

PERIOD ZERO	7:42-8:27
PERIOD 1 Homeroom	8:30-8:37
PERIOD 1	8:37-9:22
PERIOD 2	9:26-10:11
PERIOD 3	10:15-11:00
PERIOD 4A	11:04-11:49
PERIOD 4B	11:38-12:23
PERIOD 5B	11:53-12:38
PERIOD 5C	12:27-1:12
PERIOD 6	1:16-2:01
PERIOD 7	2:05-2:50

Homeroom is the time for formal attendance for the school day and time to review daily announcements on the school website. Lunch A, B, and C will go on, as planned.

IS YOUR CHILD SICK OR QUARANTINING?

If your child is...

- too sick to attend school virtually, please make sure to contact the attendance line and report the child's absence no later than 8:30am.
- showing any symptoms, you are encouraged to have them tested for Covid. **Make sure to contact the nurse with all information, too!**
- quarantining because they are sick or identified as a close contact, either the nurse or district safety director will contact you to confirm the length of quarantine and your child's return to school date.

DEVICE OR MATERIAL ISSUES?

If your child has device issues, or forgot something at school, please contact the main office and identify the issue. We will refer device issues as necessary. We will retrieve any items and have them made available for pick up in the vestibule.