

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT REOPENING SCHOOL

- 1. If I choose hybrid learning initially, must I wait six weeks if my child wishes to switch to remote learning only?**

If a student begins in hybrid, they may switch to remote at any time. But, if a student begins in remote-learning, he or she must remain in remote-learning for the first six weeks.

- 2. Will we be assigned days of the week that our students will be on campus or will we be able to choose an option?**

Students will be assigned days of the week. Once all survey results are collected, students will be assigned days of the week for remote or on-campus learning.

- 3. What accommodations will be provided for students who do not have sufficient internet services at home?**

Mobile hotspots will be provided for students who do not have sufficient internet service.

- 4. What plans are in place for lunch? Will it need to be brought from home everyday?**

We are awaiting further guidance from the state regarding school lunches. That information will be provided as soon as we get it.

- 5. Is it possible to have siblings on opposite schedules for in school/distance learning?**

We will assign students days for face to face instruction, but will consider requests and honor if possible.

- 6. What type of thermometer will be used to check student and staff temperatures?**

We are using scan thermometers.

- 7. Will RCS still offer honors classes?**

Our course catalog will remain the same.

- 8. How will the open house work?**

Open houses will be held remotely and in person, but we are still in the planning process. More information will be available soon.

- 9. If a child does remote learning would they still be able to participate in sports (if sports are allowed)?**

Yes.

- 10. If we are unable to attend the sixth grade transition camp or open houses, will there be a make-up date?**

Recordings of all open houses and the transition camp will be available.

11. How are the PCC classes going to operate?

Contact PCC for information regarding its distance learning plan.

12. Are the students allowed to leave to get lunch?

To begin with, students will not be able to leave for lunch. The situation will be revisited after the first few weeks of school.

13. Will RCS coordinate with other schools regarding scheduling?

RCS is not coordinating with other schools at this time. Our current focus is on trying to assure that siblings at RCS are scheduled to attend school on the same day.

14. What will the daily schedule look like?

RCS will follow the normal daily schedule both in person and remotely. Students working remotely are required to log on and follow the daily schedule.

15. Are tutors available for remote learning?

Individual teachers will offer extra help if needed.

16. If my child cannot wear a mask for health reasons, is there an exemption?

The governor's order states that all students and staff must wear masks while on campus. For students who have medical documentation stating they cannot wear a face mask, parents should contact administration.

17. Will kids be able to wait in the gym prior to school beginning?

Seventh and eighth grade students will be able to wait in the gym, wearing a face mask and following social distancing guidelines. Sixth graders will wait in the dining hall, wearing face masks and social distancing. High school students will wait in the multipurpose room, wearing face masks and practicing social distancing.

18. Will the initial school reopening plan be maintained for the entire school year?

The plan is dependent on conditions surrounding the pandemic and governor's orders.

19. Will the remote instruction be broadcast live?

Yes. Classroom instruction will be broadcast live, as teachers are conducting face to face instruction. Remote students must log on and follow the daily schedule.

20. What will happen to other kids when an asymptomatic child comes to school and fever is not detected?

RCS is following all state guidelines and protocols. Please click [here](#).

21. What is the protocol if a staff member tests positive?

Please click [here](#).

22. When will students receive their schedules?

Schedules will be available at open houses and prior to drop/add dates for high school students.

23. Governor Cooper said all schools will be provided with five reusable masks per student. Does this count for RCS since it is a charter school, or will my children need to come with their own masks?

RCS is a public school, and will have the five reusable masks from the state, in addition to one that will be provided by RCS.

24. How will students receive their school computers?

Computers will be handed out at open houses and an alternate day will be assigned for those who do not attend open houses. Paperwork will be sent out in advance.

25. Why was Plan B chosen instead of Plan C?

Opening decisions were made based on governor's recommendations and local health department guidance. Parents have the option to choose remote learning only for their students.

26. If the situation worsens, are people who choose hybrid going to be able to switch to remote?

Yes. RCS will continue receiving guidance from state and local government and health departments.

27. Will clubs meet?

Initially, clubs will not meet face to face, but will have the option of virtual meetings. We will reassess as conditions change.

28. How will students be monitored for participation while at home?

Students will be required to log on to each class daily while working remotely. They are responsible for completing all assignments. Teachers will track student participation and attendance both in person and remotely.

29. When will RCS return to 100% in class instruction?

That decision will be made by the governor and the state board of education.

30. Will Bulldog Care Days continue?

More information will be sent out later.

31. Will community service hours be adjusted due to last year's shutdown?

Yes.

32. Will NC Check-ins be administered this year?

We are awaiting further guidance from the NC Department of Public Instruction.

33. When will parents and students receive instructions regarding accessing and submitting assignments through Canvas?

Information will be provided during open houses.

34. On in-school days, will students receive instruction in all six classes?

Yes.

35. Will the school calendar be modified for teacher workdays?

The calendar will be adjusted as needed.

36. Will there be face-to-face tutoring?

Remote tutoring will be provided on Wednesdays, since everyone will be taking part in remote learning that day. Teachers will set their own tutoring schedules. If a student is taking part in hybrid instruction, after-school, face-to-face tutoring will be available from 3 to 3:30 p.m. This will be available only on the days a student is on campus. All social distancing protocols must be followed. Teachers will set their own office hours.