



East Meadow School

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EAST MEADOW SCHOOL WEEKLY UPDATE

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The end of week 2 brings a little more routine to our daily school schedule and a better understanding of the components of remote learning. Students have risen to the challenge and are well on their way to make the most of the current learning environment. Teachers are in the process of scheduling their remote back to school sessions.

Food Services distributed 240 meals a day out of our cafeteria to families this week, and we encourage all families to continue to take advantage of this service. Meals are available to all Granby students and will be distributed on Mondays and Wednesdays from 10-12, at the side entrance of East Meadow building between East Meadow and GJSHS.

We are on schedule to bring back our first phase of students on Monday, September 28. We have about 20 students planning to attend in-person learning. The kindergarten teachers are scheduling individual screening visits for each student over the next week. Grade 1 and 2 are on schedule to begin their individual screening visits the week of October 5. We are also welcoming about 20 students and from GJSHS and their staff to East Meadow on Monday to begin their in-person learning as the school district works with the board of health and town officials to come up with a solution to get students back into GJSHS. We have been following all of the health and safety protocols in our return to school plan and look forward to having some of our students back in the building. We have asked those families with students returning to please talk about the need for social distancing, hand washing, and facial masks.

Phase 2 of our reopening plan is scheduled for October 19 and includes some additional pre-school students along with kindergarten cohorts A & B for in-person learning.

As we stated last week, we recognize and understand that remote learning is going to be more difficult for some of our families and students than for others. We know it does not look the same for all of our students. The one component that is most important is communication. The staff is continuing to update their online learning resources everyday.

Please reach out to your child's teacher right away if there are issues we can help with. You can find our staff contact list at <http://granbyma.apptegy.us/o/granbyps/staff> on the district website along with much more useful information including the Granby Guide to Remote Learning and the District Maks Policy at <http://granbyma.apptegy.us/o/granbyps> . Please contact Mr. Taylor at staylor98@granbyschoolsma.net or me at wlataille@granbyschoolsma.net if we can help in any way as well.

We are confident that together we will be able to follow our plan and have all of our students safely return to school over the next few months.

Have a great weekend.

Bill Lataille

Every Student Every Classroom Every Day

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