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March 31, 2021

Dear Bishop Stang Students, Parents & Guardians:

I hope this finds you well. This message serves as confirmation that Bishop Stang High School will return to full time in-person learning on Monday, April 12. Here are important details:

All-Remote or Full-Time In-Person Learning

An all-remote option is available for those students who wish to learn from home for the remainder of the school year. *A hybrid approach is not an option.* Students are expected to report to school each day or choose the all-remote option. [Parents should complete this online form](#) by Monday, April 5 for students who plan to be all-remote.

Daily Schedule & Lunch Periods

The revised daily schedule is attached, which includes three lunch periods and moves the FLEX period to period 4. Students will receive an updated schedule so they know when they have lunch, class and FLEX during 4th period. New schedules reflecting these changes will be sent prior to Monday, April 12.

Quiet Study

Most studies will continue to report to the library for quiet study, however, some study hall classes will need to report to the cafeteria due to size. Students will be notified accordingly.

Lockers

Students will be able to visit their lockers only before school, prior to their 4th period class and after school in order to avoid congestion in the hallways.

Classroom Adjustments

Classrooms will be organized with no less than 3 feet of separation per DESE and CDC guidance. Classes with more students than can fit at this distance have been identified. For those classes, a small number of students may periodically need to rotate and learn remotely from the library. Therefore, it is essential that students bring their headphones to school if they will be impacted.

Attendance & Discipline

Students not on the remote list will be required to be present in school each day and should refrain from being “temporarily remote” without a sufficiently serious reason. Students will be ineligible for athletics and after school activities if absent from school without a serious reason (ie. medical, funeral). Disciplinary measures will be taken if health and safety protocols are persistently not followed.

Final Exams

Based on the feedback of students, parents, faculty and staff, we feel it is for the best educationally to waive final exams for this school year. Therefore, each quarter will be worth 25% of the final grade. The last school day of the year is June 18, 2021.

Quarantine Protocols

Quarantine protocols for positive cases, close contacts, symptomatic individuals and travel issues will continue under our reopening guidelines. Please note that the Town of Dartmouth Health Department will now require a 10-day quarantine for close contacts. Symptoms should be monitored for 14 days but it is not possible to “test out” of the 10 day quarantine.

Travel Advisory

The [Massachusetts Travel Order Advisory](#) has undergone some modifications. However, we are asking that families refrain from travel over this spring break if possible, and to observe the quarantine and testing requirements if travel is necessary. We ask you this for the good of our community so that we can maximize in-person learning this spring. If you plan to travel over April break, please contact Mrs. Williamson at mwilliamson@bishopstang.org.

The decision to return to full time in-person learning is subject to change based on the conditions at school, our local communities and state.

Thank you for your help and cooperation.

God Bless,

Mr. Shaughnessy
President/Principal