

Porter Ridge Elementary Parent FAQ for Transitioning to Plan A and Plan D

Pirate parents, below are many questions that have been asked as you are making decisions about your child’s enrollment for the remainder of the school year. If you have additional questions please feel free to contact the school. Please know that the deadline to enroll your child in the Virtual Academy is October 4.

<p>What do I do if I want my child to start being a Virtual Academy student?</p>	<p>If you want your child to be a Virtual Academy student for the remainder of this school year, you must complete an application. You will go to this link on the UCPS website: https://ucpsncc.scribborder.com/</p> <p>Once you click the link, it will bring you to a screen with links to various applications. The application you need to complete is the last application on the list labeled "UCPS K-5 Virtual Academy".</p>
<p>If my child is in 2nd-5th grade and I filled out a Virtual Academy application before school started, do I need to do another application?</p>	<p>Yes, the original application that was completed will no longer be accepted. You must complete the new application for your child to remain in the Virtual Academy. You will go to this link on the UCPS website: https://ucpsncc.scribborder.com/</p> <p>Once you click the link, it will bring you to a screen with links to various applications. The application you need to complete is the last application on the list labeled "UCPS K-5 Virtual Academy".</p>
<p>If my child is in Kindergarten or First grade, can they be a Virtual Academy student?</p>	<p>Yes, the original application in August did not include Kindergarten and 1st Grade students. The new application does include these two grade levels. If you want your child to be a Virtual Academy student for the remainder of this school year, you must complete an application. You will go to this link on the UCPS website: https://ucpsncc.scribborder.com/</p> <p>Once you click the link, it will bring you to a screen with links to various applications. The application you need to complete is the last application on the list labeled "UCPS K-5 Virtual Academy".</p>
<p>My child is currently a Plan B student, but does not attend school for an “in-person” day. I want to continue to keep</p>	<p>You must complete the Virtual Academy application. If you do not complete the application by October 4, your child will be expected to attend school “in-person” Monday through</p>

<p>them at home all five days. What do I do?</p>	<p>Thursday and will be held to attendance policies for not attending school. See the previous question for the link to apply for the Virtual Academy.</p>
<p>Will there be an afterschool program in place for the 4 day in person children?</p>	<p>No decisions have been made about the reopening of the UCPS Afterschool Program. Updates and new information about afterschool care will be found at https://www.ucps.k12.nc.us/Domain/100</p>
<p>Will lunch continue to be in the classroom, in order to keep risk of transmission confined as much as possible?</p>	<p>At this time students will continue to eat lunch in their classrooms.</p>
<p>If we choose a plan now is there a way we could change our decision during the school year?</p>	<p>The UCPS BOE is currently requiring parents to commit to Plan "A" or Plan "D" for the entire school year.</p>
<p>What are the consequences for not attending school under plan A, so long as work is completed on time and submitted?</p>	<p>Students designated as Plan "A" will be marked absent if they do not attend school.</p>
<p>What if my child has to be quarantined and cannot attend school for two or three weeks?</p>	<p>If your child has been exposed to COVID-19 you will first work with the school nurse to determine when your child can return to school. During the time that your child is not permitted to be on campus, you will need to be in communication with your child's teacher in regards to helping to keep your child on track with lessons and assignments. Teachers will keep their Canvas pages up to date throughout the school year and students will continue to access the teacher's Canvas page on remote learning days.</p>
<p>Are special area classrooms cleaned thoroughly after each group of students leaves?</p>	<p>Special area teachers have been cleaning their spaces between each class and will continue to do this in Plan A as well.</p>
<p>If there is a positive case of COVID-19 how will the school handle those quarantine protocols?</p>	<p>Any positive cases will be reported to families. The current protocol is exclusion of students and staff for anyone who is in close proximity (defined as 15 minutes or more of exposure). Health care professionals assess every situation on a case by case basis.</p>
<p>Will social distancing</p>	<p>Social distancing guidelines become a recommendation</p>

guidelines be maintained in classrooms, in addition to other areas of the building?	rather than a requirement as we transition to Plan A. However, please know we will still encourage as much distancing as possible throughout the school day.
Will temperatures continue to be taken under Plan A?	Students will continue to have COVID-19 screenings in the car rider line in the morning and when they arrive at school by bus.
Will children be required to wear masks in Plan A?	Students and staff will continue to wear face coverings. Students are routinely provided breaks from face coverings during times when they are eating or exercising or socially distanced.