

Good evening Piedmont families. On Monday, January 11th, all UCPS schools will restart their face-to-face instructional program. Any student enrolled in Plan B (face-to-face) will be expected to attend on their two days of scheduled face-to-face instruction. If a student does not attend on their scheduled attendance days, they will be marked absent. Unless you have direct permission from the administration of Piedmont High, the following will be your face-to-face attendance days:

- Monday/Tuesday Cohort- Last Name begins with letters A-K
- Wednesday/Thursday Cohort- Last Name begins with letters L-Z

Parents and students, we continue to encourage all students to check their email and Canvas pages daily. If you are not accessing email and Canvas daily, you are missing out on important information and class assignments. Parents, please encourage your student to create a schedule as if it were a normal school day. From 8:30-9:56 work on 1st period, attend live session, etc. Building a daily routine with structure will help your student be successful.

Bus Riders: Only Plan B students, with last names A-K will be allowed to ride the bus Monday. We encourage you to download the “Here Comes the Bus” app for your pick up time and location. Bus riders will enter the building using our main entrance. All students are required to wear a face covering upon entering the building. Upon entering, bus riders will be required to pass a health and safety screening. Once you have arrived on campus, you are expected to go directly to your 1st block class.

Car Riders: Parents, we ask that all students are dropped off using the Love Mill Stadium entrance. You will drop your student off near our Main Gym entrance. All students are required to wear a face covering upon entering the building. Upon entering, car riders will be required to pass a health and safety screening. Our building does not open until 8:00 am. Please do not drop your student off prior to 8:00 am, as we cannot monitor social-distancing at that time. Once you have arrived on campus, you are expected to go directly to your 1st block class.

Student-Drivers: If you purchased a parking pass, you are allowed to drive to campus on your first assigned face-to-face day. Student-drivers will enter the building using either our main entrance or gym lobby entrance. All students are required to wear a face covering upon entering the building. Upon entering, student-drivers will be required to pass a health and safety screening. Once you have arrived on campus, you are expected to go directly to your 1st block class. If you have not purchased a parking pass, please see Assistant Principal Mr. Edwards for further instructions.

Visitors: In accordance with UCPS’s visitor recommendations, Piedmont High will be limiting any non-essential visitors from entering our building. If you feel the need for a face-to-face meeting, please contact the front office to schedule a meeting. All essential visitors will be required to wear a face covering and complete a health and safety screening. If you need to drop off materials, or sign out your student, we ask that you utilize the video doorbell located at our main entrance.

Bell Schedule: Piedmont High does have a new bell schedule for the 2020-2021 school year. Our new schedule can be found here: <https://www.ucps.k12.nc.us/Page/6072>. Please note that our building will not be open until 8:00 am. Students should not be dropped off prior to 8:00 am. Once students are on campus, they are expected to report to their first block teacher until the beginning of the instructional day.

Breakfast/Lunches: Breakfast will be available for all students during their face-to-face instruction day. For the remainder of the school year, traditional breakfast and lunch will be **FREE** for all students. Breakfast will be served in a grab-and-go style. Breakfast items will be individually packaged. We have designed a plan that allows for our students to eat lunch in the cafeteria. Students will be expected to wear their face covering until they sit at their individual table. Tables have been organized to allow for socially-distanced seating and interaction. Lunch items will also be wrapped in individual portions.

Student Schedules: All 2nd semester schedules can be viewed in PowerSchool. For Plan B students, we will also have new copies for students in their 1st block class on their first assigned face-to-face day. I encourage all students to continue to monitor PowerSchool for any changes, especially if you have requested a schedule correction. We ask for patience as we continue to work through schedule correction request. We will have several Student Government and ROTC representatives and faculty prepared to make sure you can find your first block class.

Students that have been enrolled in Plan D will **NOT** report to Piedmont High at any point during the 2nd semester

Pass/Fail: Any student wishing to take a course pass/fail must fill out the google form ([PASS/FAIL GOOGLE FORM](#)) within the first 10 days of the semester. Students can only take one class pass/fail each year. If you filled out the form first semester, you will not be able to fill out the form for second semester. Core classes cannot be selected as pass/fail. A class needed for college admissions or NC Scholars cannot be taken pass/fail (Spanish 1 or 2/Chemistry I Honors).

Immunizations: Nurse Hamilton has reached out several times to remind our community of the 12th grade immunization law in North Carolina. A 2nd booster dose of Meningococcal vaccine is required for students attending school in North Carolina who are entering the 12 grade. Please review your student's immunization record to see if this vaccine has been given. If not make an appointment with your primary care provider. Immunizations are a requirement for Both Plan B and Plan D-Virtual Academy students.

9th-Grade Counseling Change: Mrs. Rachel Seighman has taken an Assistant Principal role at Fairview Elementary School. Erica Henderson (Erica.henderson@ucps.k12.nc.us) will transition from our Social/Emotional Counselor to our 9th-grade Counselor. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to email Mrs. Henderson.

1st Semester Report Cards: We will be mailing home all 1st semester report cards. The report card will indicate your student's grade for the 3 six-week grading periods, the final exam grade, and the student's final grade. In some instances, you may see and "INC" for several grades. Currently, we still have some students that need to take their final exam. Final grades cannot be determined until your student completes their class final exam. We are also waiting on scores from the state English II assessment. Once we have a final score report, we will calculate those student's final grade and re-run their report card.

LAN School Notification: LAN School is a monitoring software that allows our teachers to see what students are working on in from their school-issued laptops. Students will soon see a notification indicating they understand that school-issued technology is able to be monitored remotely. Students will have to agree before using their laptops.

Health & Safety: Parents we ask that if your student is not feeling well to please keep them home until they are symptom-free. We want to ensure our school is as safe as possible. If you have any questions about whether your student should attend school due to illness, please do not hesitate to call Piedmont High at 704-296-3170