## THE ROAD BACK

RESTART AND RECOVERY FOR EDUCATION

# **READY TO ROLL!**



## **SURVEY RESULTS**

Total Branchburg Township Students Enrolled	1340
Total Students in Hybrid Model	979 (73%)
Total Students Fully Remote	361 (27%)
Branchburg Teachers on Leave	6
Support Staff on Leave	2

#### HEALTH AND SAFETY

- ✓ Mask wearing by adults and students
- ✓ Hand sanitizer in every classroom and multiple school locations.
- ✓ Disinfecting wipes in all classrooms and common areas
- ✓ Temperature checks at home and again when arriving to school.
- ✓ Protocol for students and staff who exhibit symptoms.
- ✓ One person per bench on buses, exception made for students from the same household
- ✓ Clear communication and consultation with the Health Department.
- ✓ Modified entry and exit to the building to reduce the number of students entering a space at the same time.

#### **SCREENING AND PPE**

- ✓ Each family and staff member will check temperatures and complete a
  symptom screening form each morning
- ✓ Temperatures of students and staff will be checked upon entering school
- ✓ A student or staff member who is exhibiting symptoms will be immediately isolated in the nurse's office in each building.
- ✓ Notification of a positive case of COVID-19 will be provided to the health department, the staff, and the families of students.
- ✓ The District will cooperate with health officials in support of methods to
  assist in contact tracing.
- ✓ The Somerset County and Branchburg Township Health Departments will be contacted if contact tracing is required.

### FACILITIES AND CLEANING

- ✓ Each school building will be sanitized daily. This will include the use of approved cleaning solutions on desks, chairs, and frequently touched surfaces.
- ✓ Electrostatic sprayers will be used in each building to sanitize common areas.
- ✓ All classrooms will have hand sanitizer and sanitizing wipes available to students.
- ✓ Floors will be mopped with a sanitizing solution.
- ✓ HVAC units will be set to allow the greatest amount of fresh air into the classrooms and common areas.
- ✓ Additional staff will be assigned to each building to assist with cleaning.

#### SUPPLIES ON HAND

- √ 160 gallons of hand sanitizer
- ✓ 30 wall mounted hand sanitizers for common areas
- √ 55,000 sanitizing wipes (115,000 more due by 9/1)
- ✓ Portable sinks for hand washing
- ✓ Paper towel dispensers to replace blower units in bathrooms
- ✓ Window masks for primary and special education teachers to use
  when teaching
- ✓ Electrostatic Sprayers for sanitizing common areas, classrooms, and buses
- ✓ Non-Contact thermometers
- ✓ Stickers and signage for buildings
- √ 5000 medical grade face masks

#### **VENTILATION**

"Schools and Districts must insure their indoor facilities have adequate ventilation, including operational heating and ventilation systems where appropriate.

- Recirculated air must have a fresh air component
  - Branchburg units set to the maximum level possible
- Open windows if A/C is not provided
  - All classrooms have A/C. The vast majority have windows
- Filters for A/C units must be maintained and changed according to manufacturer recommendations
  - All A/C units were cleaned and serviced this summer and MERV 11 filters installed."

#### **TECHNOLOGY**

- ✓ Chromebooks in the process of being distributed
- ✓ Help with WiFi connections and hot spots
- ✓ Classroom computers for staff will allow them to see and interact
  with the students at home

https://sites.google.com/branchburg.k12.nj.us/dlts/home

#### **SCHEDULING**

#### 180 Days of School For Students

✓ September 1 – 3 Professional Development for Staff

✓ September 8 – 18 Single Session Days for Students

✓ September 21 Single Session Days for Hybrid and Remote Students Afternoon virtual instruction for all students

We will continually monitor the health conditions of our school and community to determine when adjustments to the students' schedules can be made.

#### WHAT TO EXPECT

- ✓ Staff who will do their absolute best
- ✓ We will get better over time
- ✓ We will make mistakes
- ✓ There will be technology glitches
- ✓ There will be some great exchanges between students and teachers.
- ✓ Sometimes, the students will help the teachers with technology questions.
- ✓ Creativity will flourish (out of necessity!)
- ✓ We are excited to "see" your children again
- ✓ We are as anxious as you are for a "return to normal"
- ✓ We value the safety of our school families and will stay the course until we are able
  to come back together again as a school community

#### KEEP IN MIND...

Many elements of planning are in flux and are subject to change. The information shared tonight is accurate and any changes will be shared as soon as they are known.

