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Welcome to Minot Forest

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Learning Plans



- ▶ Hybrid Plan-2 days a week in school, remote 3 days a week
- ▶ Students will be assigned to group, based on days of the week.
- ▶ Cohort 1 will attend Monday and Tuesday. Cohort 2 will attend Thursday and Friday. Wednesday is an all remote online day. This allows our custodians to do a deep cleaning before the next group of students come in.
- ▶ This plan is scheduled to start in October, possibly on the 5th. It will depend on local Covid-19 data.
- ▶ Students will be graded on their work.
- ▶ Daily attendance will be taken.
- ▶ Full Remote Plan-all at home
- ▶ Students will be assigned to a teacher and will receive their lessons remotely from that teacher.
- ▶ Students do not come into school at all with this plan.
- ▶ Students will be graded on their work.
- ▶ Daily attendance will be taken.
- ▶ Students should be online when the teacher posts the schedule unless there is an issue that is brought to the teacher's attention.

Chromebook/Charger and if applicable, Hotspot pick up. We will be at the front door on Viking Drive

- ▶ Families from Minot Forest will pick up Chromebooks/Chargers, and if requested, a Hotspot on **September 8** by the following schedule:
- ▶ 9:00-10:00 Grade 3 Cohort 1 (Last names A-K)
- ▶ 10:00-11:00 Grade 3 Cohort 2 (Last name L-Z)
- ▶ 11:00-12:00 Grade 3 100% Full Remote students
- ▶ 12:00-1:00 Break
- ▶ 1:00-2:00 Grade 4 Cohort 1 (Last names A-K)
- ▶ 2:00-3:00 Grade 4 Cohort 2 (Last names L-Z)
- ▶ 3:00-4:00 Grade 4 100% Full Remote students
- ▶ 4:00-4:30 Break
- ▶ 4:30-6:30 Grade 3 and 4 students who could not come during the day



Backpack kits and supplies



- ▶ Minot Forest used some of their remaining PTA funds to purchase mesh backpacks and school supplies. These backpack kits come with school supplies and can be kept at home so students have what they need to complete their work.
- ▶ We ordered these after feedback from families last Spring indicated that they didn't have the necessary materials at home for their children to complete their work. You will get these on September 8 when you pick up your child's Chromebook.
- ▶ Grade 3-Students in grade 3 will be getting a recorder instrument. This is part of the grade 3 music curriculum. Mr. Hart, our music teacher, will teach the students remotely how to play. We ask that your child keep their recorder at home and not bring it to school for safety reasons. Also, please don't have them take the recorders out of their covering. Mr. Hart will go over everything in his first class meeting.

What have we been working on?

- ▶ Extracting all the students at Minot Forest from the district enrollment form
- ▶ Making phone calls to families who did not submit a form
- ▶ Making phone calls to families who chose both Hybrid and Remote to clarify which plan is preferred
- ▶ Organizing students into classrooms based on the two choices
- ▶ Next: Students need to be scheduled for academic classes in PowerSchool. From there, labels can be printed to send teacher name and room number home to families.
- ▶ Student names were sent to transportation to schedule the bus, as long as families completed the bus application that was due in July.
- ▶ School hours are being finalized. We know it will be a 4 hour day. Food will be sent home for students to eat lunch and have food for breakfast for home.

Parent Drop Off and Pick Up

Drop off begins at *TBD



- ▶ Parents will drive into the Town Hall parking lot. If you arrive before staff come outside, you will have to park in the parking spaces. Once staff open the doors, you will drive down into the oval by door #9. Your child will quickly exit from the right side of the car and you will drive away. This is a quick drop and go. We cannot have cars lining up waiting in the oval as this will create a line and cars will not be able to enter the parking area, which causes a back up on route 6. This is not allowed.
- ▶ Parent pick up will be in the same area. You will park and walk over to door #9. Grade 4 families will be at one door, grade 3 families will be at another. Families must maintain 6 feet distance and masks must be worn. Students will line up by grade in the hall, with masks on. Once you give your name to the duty staff, your child will be called to leave. Dismissal time is TBD
- ▶ A note is required to pick up your child. If you are picking up your child every day, you can write one note now for the school year. It would be helpful to do that now. Please email Tracy McGraw, one of the Minot's secretaries, at tmcgraw@wareham.k12.ma.us. This note is different than listing people on the emergency form who can pick up your child if you are not able to.
- ▶ * *Times to be determined*

What does a classroom look like?

Excess furniture
has been
removed

Students will still
need to wear a
mask at their seat



10-12 desks can fit
into a classroom

Desks are 6 feet
apart

What are the expectations in school?



- ▶ Staff and students must wear a mask at all times, unless there is a medical reason provided. We ask families to send their child to school with a mask. Masks must be worn on the school bus. We will have extra masks on hand if one becomes damaged or soiled.
- ▶ Mask breaks will be scheduled outside, weather permitting, throughout the morning. If inclement weather, breaks will be scheduled inside with windows open.
- ▶ Grade 4 students will enter one door from the bus and grade 3 will enter a separate door from the bus. Bus dismissal will be by those same doors.
- ▶ Students will wash hands when they arrive to school, touching hand rails, coughing or sneezing into a tissue, before taking off their mask, after putting on their mask, after using the bathroom, and before dismissal.
- ▶ Daily temperatures will not be taken when.
- ▶ Students cannot share any materials.
- ▶ Follow signage on the floors.

Google Classroom

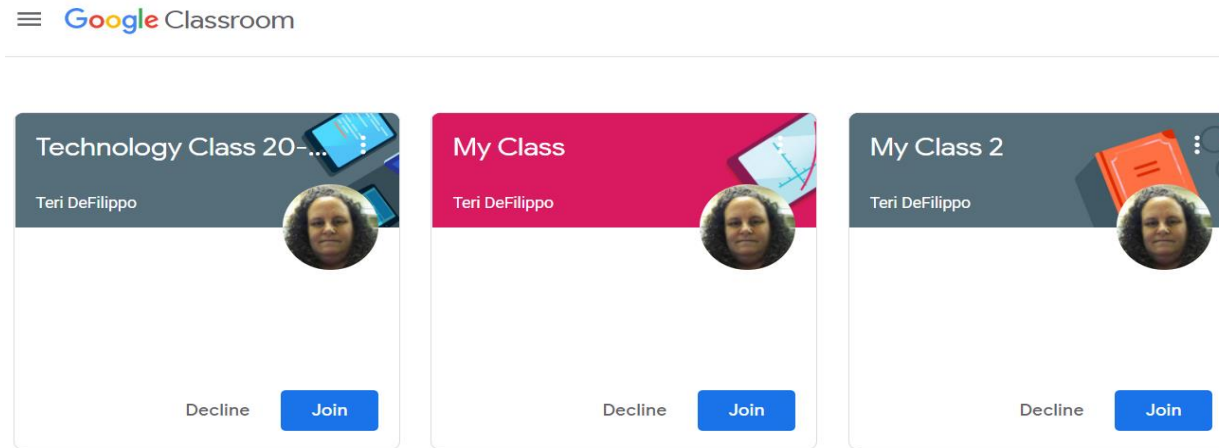


Google Classroom

- ▶ We will send a date and time for your child to log into their Google Classroom. All students should log in by Sept 14.
- ▶ Teachers will reach out to their students through Google Classroom
- ▶ All students will have a school email address. This is for school use only and not for personal use by the students.
- ▶ Go Guardian-This is a monitoring site that will alert us if students try to access inappropriate websites. Should we receive an alert, an administrator will contact you.
- ▶ We have developed a consistent template for all staff to use in the district. This will help families locate information with students in multiple schools.

Getting Started

Connecting with your Teachers



Between September 10th and September 14th, please join each class section of Google Classroom! The sections will vary by student. Teachers will be publishing them within this timeframe.

Log on to your Chromebook with your Wareham Public Schools Google account information.

Go to classroom.google.com or select the Google Classroom app on your Chromebook.

Select the blue Join button for each class section you are enrolled in.

Check each classroom section frequently for announcements from your teachers with information about connecting on the first day of school, September 16, 2020.

Need tech help?

Submit a tech ticket at <http://thehelpdesk.warehamps.org/wps/open.php> or contact Jimmy Cannon at jcannon@wareham.k12.ma.us, 508.291.3550 ext 6121.

Communicating with Families

- ▶ Monthly newsletter by the Principal. This will be sent out electronically by email through PowerSchool. The sender name will say SwiftReach K-12.
- ▶ Friday video updates-we will send a link through email and text for families to access a video by the administrators with any information or updates we would like to share.
- ▶ Minot Forest Elementary School Facebook page. Ask to join by answering the 3 questions on the page. Approval will not be granted if the questions are not answered. This is a safety precaution.
- ▶ Our email is:
- ▶ Joan Seamans, Principal jseamans@wareham.k12.ma.us
- ▶ Robin Murphy, Assistant Principal rmurphy@wareham.k12.ma.us
- ▶ Teri DeFilippo, Dean of Students tdefilippo@wareham.k12.ma.us

Other information

- ▶ If your child is having difficulty or anxiety, or has suffered a loss, our support team are available to help.
 - ▶ Mrs. Lisa Ottaviano, School Counselor, lottaviano@wareham.k12.ma.us
 - ▶ Mrs. LeAnne Atwood, Social Worker, lrattwood@wareham.k12.ma.us
 - ▶ Ms. Anastasia Lapointe, School Psychologist, alapointe@wareham.k12.ma.us
 - ▶ Ms. Danielle Ambrose, Nurse, dambrose@wareham.k12.ma.us
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- ▶ Covid-19 parent/guardian training video (if time)
 - ▶ <https://careerlearning.app.box.com/s/dyw576k770abqepbq6a608h1d1076q3o/file/710243210094>