

February 26, 2021

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Last evening, the Wareham School Committee voted to extend the school day for students enrolled in the hybrid cohort beginning on March 8, 2021.

Beginning on March 8, 2021 the schedule will be:

School	PARENT DROP-OFF	BUS ARRIVAL	PARENT PICK-UP	BUS PICK-UP
DECAS ELEMENTARY	8:40 am	8:50 am	2:40 pm	2:50 pm
MINOT ELEMENTARY	8:30 am	8:40 am	2:30 pm	2:40 pm
WAREHAM MIDDLE SCHOOL		7:30 am with classes beginning at 7:40 am		1:30 pm
WAREHAM HIGH SCHOOL		7:35 am with classes beginning at 7:40 am		1:40 pm

Bus information will be released next week (week of March 1st) by the Transportation Department.

Building Principals will be sharing building specific information regarding the change in the school day with you later today or the first of next week.

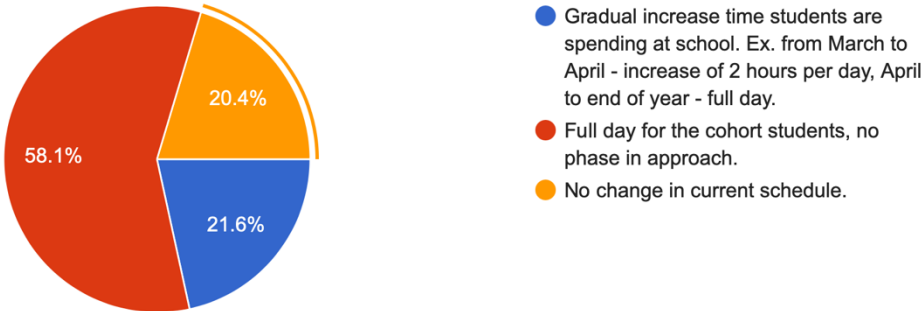
As a reminder, all mask and social distancing protocols remain in place and will not be altered. The hybrid cohorts remain the same and at this time, the only change will be the longer day on the days your children attend school.

I also appreciate the quick response from parents to the survey earlier this week. The results of the survey are as followed:

Question 1

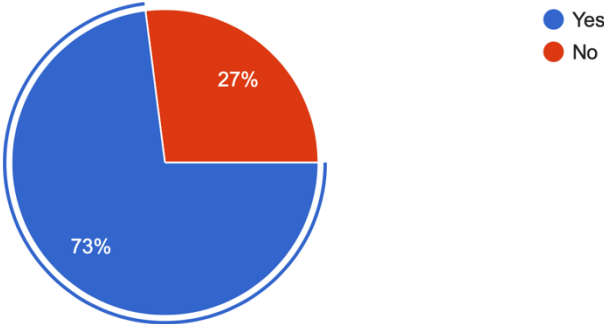
As we finalize plans to increase face to face learning for students in the hybrid cohorts, would you like to see:

899 responses



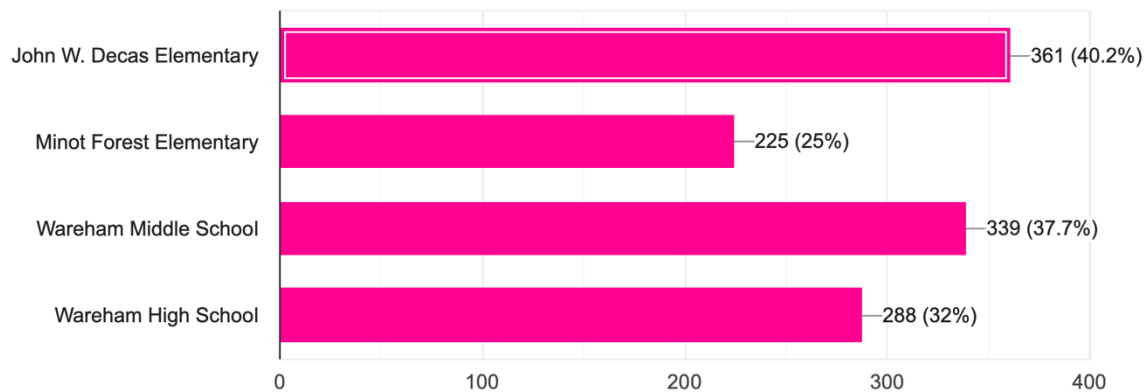
Are you comfortable with your child eating lunch with others in the cafeteria? Social distancing but with masks removed.

899 responses



My child(ren) attend (check all that apply)

899 responses



Nursing

As we plan for the return to longer school days we would like to review the procedure for sending students to the Health Office. We would like to continue having staff call the Health Office prior to sending students. If it is a medical emergency please send the student with an adult directly to the Health Office as well as calling the nurse. We need to continue with social distancing and cleaning procedures so we need to continue to limit the number of students and staff in the office. Please be patient as we navigate these uncharted waters.

If students are taking daily medication you will be contacted by the nurse as to what time is good for that student to come to the Health Office. At the High School students will be notified by the nurse. Please do not send any students to the office without notifying the nurse first.

If students are dismissed for medical reasons not related to COVID, each case will be monitored and return to school will be determined based on guidelines from Department of Public Health.

If you receive any information from students about illness in their household please continue forward it to the nurse for further follow-up.

The nurses appreciate all the help and support staff have provided with the tracking of COVID cases. Any questions or concerns please contact the nurse in your building.

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Thank you and please contact your child's building principal or me with questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Dr. Kimberly B. Shaver-Hood
Superintendent of Schools