

ALCS Reopening Plan Frequently Asked Questions

Edition 2 – August 19, 2020

As a follow up to the release of our draft Reopening Plan on July 31, 2020, we are providing responses to some of our more frequently asked questions. We understand this school year is unlike any other, and parents understandably have questions and concerns. We are committed to our partnership with parents and will strive to continue to provide open, transparent communications.

ALMHS Specific Questions

How do I view my child's schedule and know what attendance track they are assigned to?

Schedules are actually being mailed by the MHS office along with a welcome letter from the new MHS principal, Mr. Mank.

Schedules will also be available to view in the PowerSchool Portal by *Wednesday, August 26*. When logging into the PowerSchool Portal you will find Grades & Attendance in the left-hand toolbar to see your child's class schedule. To learn which attendance track your child has been assigned you click on the Demographic View, also found on the left-hand toolbar. Look near the bottom of the third column and you will see the assigned attendance track. In this view you can also see your child's locker information.

Locker information was added to each student's PowerSchool information this year.

How do I request an attendance track change for my child?

Once you have viewed your child's attendance track you can contact the Student Services Office (Guidance Office) or the Director of Instruction (pkinnaird@alcsny.org) to request a change. Changes will be based on occupancy compliance and transportation. Each request will be considered individually by administration.

MHS Attendance Track Information

All students at the MHS are assigned to one of four attendance tracks.

Track A – Students attend in-person instruction Monday and Thursday, remote instruction on Tuesday and Friday.

Track B – Students attend in person instruction Tuesday and Friday, remote instruction on Monday and Thursday.

Track C – Students attend in person instruction Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday.

Track D - Student who has opted for full remote learning.

On our website (www.alcsny.org), go to Middle-High School Page, click on Middle-High School 2020-2021 (2nd item on the left-hand toolbar) you can find a document titled Hybrid Learning Model Information Sheet.

MHS Weekly Schedule

When you look at your child's schedule, classes may be scheduled for either A/B or C/D days.

Each week at the MHS is scheduled as follows:

Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs	Fri.
A	B	E	C	D

E day represent remote learning for all students.

How will hallways be managed? What will happen between classes, will everyone be in the hallway at the same time? Hallways is a concern and we want to make sure that everyone is as safe as possible. The MHS has approximately 700 students. With students attending 2 days per week, that places approximately 350 students in the building on any given day. We have divided lockers by floor and hallway. All students are required to wear their masks when moving through the hallways. Additionally, a change of the Code of Conduct to allow students to carry backpacks to limit the need for students to stop at their lockers.

<p style="text-align: center;">ALES Specific Questions</p> <p>What will be the arrival and dismissal times for the children?</p> <p>Car rider arrival will begin at 8:15. As we open school and address challenges, we may need to stagger times for car rider arrival.</p> <p>Bus arrival 8:45</p> <p>Bus dismissal 1:45</p> <p>Car rider dismissal 2:00</p> <p>Will all students have their temperature checked prior to starting the school day?</p> <p>All students will follow Practices and Expectations for <u>Daily Screenings</u> for Faculty, Staff, Students, and Visitors. (This can be found on our website - www.alcsny.org in our Reopening Plan)</p> <p>All students will be screened by the parent/guardian at home prior to boarding the bus/coming to school using a checklist provided by the district. If the child presents with COVID-19 symptoms the parent/guardian is requested to contact the building nurse. All other “non-COVID-19” absences should be reported to the attendance clerk in each building.</p> <p>Students that self-transport to ALCS locations, rather than using component district provided buses, will enter buildings at Main Entrances and will be screened for entrance. Students answer COVID-19 screening questions, and have their temperatures taken.</p>	<p>If I start my child 100% remote, is there an opportunity for him to return to classroom instruction at a later time?</p> <p>Absolutely. These decisions will be made in the best interest of the student and their family. Families are committing to the first 10 weeks of school through the submission of the Registration Form which is due August 21, 2020 through our website.</p> <p>All in-person instruction is determined by classroom occupancy restrictions to ensure that we remain in full compliance with New York State Education Department and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidance.</p> <p>Will there be a bus monitor added to each route to ensure kids are adhering to social distancing rules?</p> <p>The answer to this question is no. The transportation department will be working to ensure that all buses are in full compliance of New York State guidance regarding transporting students to and from school.</p> <p>Current Resources available for families on our website – www.alcsny.org</p> <p><u>ALCS Remote Learning Plan</u></p> <p><u>Reopening Plan 20-21</u></p> <p><u>Reopening Plan FAQ</u></p> <p><u>ALCS Plan for Containment and Contact Tracing</u></p> <p><u>ALCS Plan for Testing</u></p> <p><u>Back to School Informational Video</u></p>
<p><i>Note: We have responded to the most frequently asked questions and those relevant to the most people in this communication. School building specific questions (i.e., regarding drop off/pick up procedures, how students will be grouped, etc.) will be addressed in upcoming communications from building principals.</i></p>	