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2020-2021 School Reopening Parent FAQ

When does the school open?

There is no official school calendar at this time. Tentatively we will open on September 10th, 2020.

Will the supply list be the same for remote learners?

Scholars will work mostly from a digital platform. The supply list will be mostly electronic. They will be able to do it all digitally.

Will there be live instruction?

Yes there will be live instruction. Teachers will be teaching the same time for both in-person and remote.

Will the remote students be on video and need to wear uniforms?

Yes. We are asking that all scholars meet the same expectation.

How do I opt out of in school learning to emote learning sense the deadline passed?

We are currently making phone calls and you can share with us if you would like to opt into remote learning or not. You can also use the DOE link or speak with Mrs. Afgan, our parent coordinator.

How long will classes be?

47 minutes for both in-person and virtually.

Can you expound more on virtual learning?

Scholars will either have a hybrid schedule or 100% remote learning schedule. Scholars will be required to log on to their classes at the times scheduled on their program using google meet. They must be in uniform and have their cameras on. Assignments will be given through google classroom.

How will this work for children who are asthmatic wearing a mask all day?

Wearing a mask is a challenge that we understand. We will be in small group instruction. Scholars may be able to take a break in a small room or office or health clinic.

How many students per class?

15 scholars per class

Should we buy the uniforms knowing there might be online learning?

We're asking that you still purchase the uniform. We do want to practice professionalism in every area and set-up our scholars for success. This would set the right tone for their learning.



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Is hybrid learning mandatory for all students and how will reach student know when they should attend in-person learning when you did not sign up for in person learning?

Our school will operate with both hybrid and remote learning. You have the option of having your child learn from home remotely 100%. If you do not notify us of this then your child will be programmed for hybrid learning automatically which is 2-3 days in the building a week.

How will lunch be served?

We have asked the cafeteria to prepare grab and go bags to be given in our scholar's last period classes. We are working to ensure that lunch is both hot and cold. Snacks will be given out in the classroom in the middle of the day.

Will this information be mailed home?

Yes it will be mailed home and emailed.

How will physical distance be maintained throughout the day?

We will have social distancing at scanning. 6 ft a part from each other. The desks in classrooms are set-up 6ft a part from each other. We will following the same social distancing protocol as recommended by the CDC and DOH. There will be signage for social distancing.

How and where can I buy the school uniform?

Uniform can be purchased on-site through our Parent Coordinator, Mrs. Afgan, or our School Social Worker, Mr. Fogah. You may also use the following link: https://forms.gle/XaJpX9je8wpPNFNo6

How do I get the DOE email?

Scholars may register for their DOE email addresses using the following link and following the instructions: https://www.schools.nyc.gov/learning/learn-at-home/technical-tools-and-support/doe-student-accounts. Parents may contact Parent Coordinator, Mrs. Afgan, at https://www.schools.nyc.gov regarding their email accounts.

How do I request 100% remote learning?

You may notify an August Martin Administrator or Staff member. Phone calls will be made this week.

How do I get a DOE device?

You may complete the form in the following link for a DOE device: https://coronavirus.schools.nyc/remotelearningdevices

Are the masks free?

Each scholar will get one (1) free August Martin mask. Any mask after that will have to be paid for.



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Will buses be provided? If so, when?

We have not received information on whether bus services will be provided and the guidelines around that as yet. Once provided, parents will be notified.

Will children have access to physical textbooks even though they are working remotely?

Yes. Any items or materials that our scholars may need will be provided. Pick-up for these items will be coordinated with our parents at a later date.

Are bus passes being issued?

Yes. Bus passes will be issued on the first day of school.

What happens if a child needs more than 2-3 days of in person learning?

Unfortunately we are only permitted to have at maximum 3 days of in school learning. Our teachers and staff are available to support scholars as much as needed for their academic success.

When will scholars get their schedules?

Scholars usually get their schedules on the first day of school. We will be mailing out all schedules for this new school year within the next two weeks.

Will breakfast be served?

Yes. Breakfast will be served in a Grab and Go fashion upon student entry each day.

Will dismissal be staggered by floor?

Yes. August Martin's dismissal will be separate from the other schools on the other floors.

Can you please explain the schedule for this new school year?

There will be three groups. Group A: 9th and 11th grade; Group B: 10th and 12th Grade; Group C: 100% remote learners. Group A will attend school in-person on Mondays (alternating), Tuesdays, and Wednesday and then complete remote learning on Thursdays and Fridays. Group B will attend school in person on Mondays (alternating), Thursdays, and Fridays and then complete remote learning on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

How will sports team work? Will there be any?

Unfortunately all PSAL sports will be canceled for this school year until further notice.

Is there is a school ID? How will students get it? How do we get their ID numbers?

Scholars will take their student ID pictures when they come in to pick-up their uniform. IDs will be provided at that time as well. Student OSIS numbers will be on their student IDs.

How will the culinary and aviation program work remotely?

Culinary will be operating through google classroom in the meantime. Aviation will also operate through google classroom while flight instruction at the airport is being looked into.



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When is freshmen orientation?

Freshmen orientation will be within the next few weeks. This information will be announced and provided to all parents by next week.

I'm having issues accessing my child's DOE email account. My child was locked out. How can I get help?

Any issues with email accounts can be discussed with our Parent Coordinator, Mrs. Afgan.

My child has an IEP and is in ICT instruction during remote last year. Her teachers were accessible to assist her via text and phone calls, will this still be available this year?

Yes. All teachers and staff will still be accessible as much as possible. Communication guidelines will be shared once the school year begins.

For children doing remote learning, how will meals be provided?

We are uncertain at this time. NYC may have meal hubs available. Once more information is provided, we will share with parents and families.

Are we able to change from full remote learning to hybrid?

Yes. You will have to communicate with the school your decision to switch from remote to hybrid.

How do incoming scholars receive information from August Martin?

Information is sent via email, pupil path, mailing, and phone calls.

What percentage of families have opted for the hybrid learning so far?

Out of our 476 scholars, we have 100 families that have opted for full remote learning so far.

When will the supplies list be mailed home?

Our school supply list along with other important information will be mailed home by next week.

The DOE account, is that for students only? Should parents have one as well?

There is an account option for both students and parents. There are two separate registrations. You may speak with Parent Coordinator, Mrs. Afgan, to access either.

Will there be any gym classes?

Gym classes will be virtual due to COVID-19 restrictions.

Are you planning on having these town-hall meetings frequently during the school year?

Yes. We will have these meeting periodically. Parents and students will be notified of the date and time.



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How can I confirm that my son is registered?

You may contact Parent Coordinator, Mrs. Afgan, to confirm your child's registration.

Is there speech and O.T. for students who need it?

Yes. This is available. Scholars will receive this at home or in school.

Will remote learning be the same as last year?

Remote learning for this school will have more structure. Scholars will be required to be a part of each live session, following their class schedule, through google meets in addition to wearing uniform.

What happens if you have a fire drill? How will social distancing be enforced?

In the instance of a fire drill, social distance practices will be enforced. In the case of an emergency, safe and swift evacuation would take priority.