

MAGNOLIA PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Magnolia Families,

A survey was sent out to the community in March to determine how many hybrid students intended to switch to in school learning 4 days a week. This form was due March 12th, 2021.

We are now happy to welcome back a large population of students. The district has purchased additional protection equipment and cleaning supplies. As stipulated in the survey, we will do everything in our power to follow NJDOH guidelines, but 6ft of distance will not be guaranteed. The Department of health did a site visit on March 16th to evaluate our plans and our classrooms. They commended our current plan.

Many staff have been vaccinated, while still more are awaiting their appointments. All of these factors will help us mitigate spread, but the virus will still be present. We will respond appropriately when cases are confirmed, but there may be instances where children will have to be quarantined as we continue the year.

If your child is enrolled in hybrid, they are expected to attend school live. Students in hybrid who accrue multiple unexcused absences without excuse will be moved to remote learning for the remainder of the year. Any absences should be reported to the main office, especially if a child is being held home for any type of illness. It should be noted that in cases of "chronic absenteeism" Magnolia Public school is following its policy and taking students to truancy court.

Our next round of 4 day sign ups will be posted to the schools website on April 14th, 2021. At that time, anyone in remote or hybrid will have the option to come 2 days or 4 days. The hope is that by May 2nd, anyone who wants to be in will be in as numbers fall and mitigation efforts get better with more agreeable weather.

Sincerely,

Karen Macpherson

Magnolia Public School Superintendent

