

MCPS 2021 Return to School Reminders

Jan. 4th – Jan. 29th, 2021

Mecklenburg County Public School students will return to their school work on Monday, January 4th after the 2020 Christmas holiday break. Please remember that all students will begin the 2021 school year doing their school work virtually due to safety guidelines from the Virginia Department of Health related to an excessive number of positive COVID cases in the county. Mecklenburg county is at a Level 1, or Red, status, as expected by medical officials due to the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays. Virtual learning for all students is currently scheduled to be in place through Friday, January 15th. We hope this will give sufficient time for the number of COVID cases to return to Level 2 or 3 status.

Please be reminded that SOL testing for middle and high school students taking classes that require a Verified Credit from the state will begin on Monday, January 15th. These tests must be taken at the school. This is a requirement of the Virginia Department of Education. Students who must take these tests have been notified, and all appropriate safety guidelines are being followed for transportation, school meals, and testing.

Mecklenburg County schools will complete first semester classes on Wednesday, January 27th. We are planning to have all students who have been attending classes face to face for the first semester return to school to complete the semester's work on Monday, January 18th. This could change if the number of COVID cases in the county do not decrease to Level 2 (orange) or 3 (yellow) status.

We have also planned for all students who want to attend school face to face to have this option beginning second semester, which starts on Monday, February 1st. All MCPS parents should have been contacted by your child's school before the Christmas break to determine their 2nd semester plan to return to school or continue with virtual learning. Elementary students who have selected face to face learning will continue to meet Monday through Thursday of each week with virtual learning on Fridays. Middle and High Schools who are planning to attend school face to face will have an alternating week schedule; half will attend school on Monday through Thursday Week A and the other half on week B. Friday's will be virtual for all students. This is the only way that we could meet federal and state guidelines for social distancing for our secondary students. All students who are planning to return for face to face learning at that time should have received their schedule information. Please contact your school administration if you have questions about your student's plan.

Thank you.