

Rainier Families:

It is hard to believe that we will soon have students in our classrooms again whom have not been inside a school for almost a year. Teachers and students will be adjusting to new procedures and protocols, while also adapting the model of instruction to hybrid learning. As we continue to prepare for return to school on February 16th for students in grades PreK-3, we have been monitoring the following to ensure our district's preparedness: the health and safety guidelines, the number of students who are opting for Comprehensive Distance Learning (CDL) only, staffing, and, most importantly, the effectiveness of our current schedules. Below is some additional information about the Hybrid Instructional Model.

What is the Hybrid Model of instruction?

- The Hybrid Model of instruction will include both in-person and CDL instruction on a rotating basis.
- Students will continue to meet with their same teachers and classmates regardless of whether they participate from home or at school.
- Hudson Park is running a 5-hour schedule, during which students meet with their teacher(s) and receive instruction across multiple subjects each day.
- One cohort group of students will be present for in-person instruction while the other cohort group will attend remote/virtual instruction from home through Google Classroom.
- Students are expected to attend school on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday either in-person or virtually.
- The school day will begin at 8:00am and students will be dismissed at 12:45pm.

What will the Hybrid Model look like for students?

- Half of the students will attend classes in-person at school on assigned days. Hudson Park students are in two cohorts, A and B. Students in A will attend in-person instruction on Mondays and Tuesdays while students in Cohort B and CDL students are attending classes from home through Google Classroom.
- Students in the B cohort will attend in-person instruction on Thursdays and Fridays while students in Cohort A and CDL students are attending from home through Google Classroom.
- Small groups and one-on-one virtual sessions will continue to be offered

Benefits of the Hybrid Model:

- Students will not change their homeroom teacher when we transition from CDL to hybrid learning.
- We can pivot back to CDL without changing schedules or assignments.
- Students will continue to have access to remediation, accelerated and enriched classes.
- As we transition students by grades from CDL to hybrid, both students and teachers will have had time to acclimate to this model.
- Overall, there will be better consistency for students and staff.

Staff members continue to be provided with professional development specific to teaching in the Hybrid Model. Our staff have been working really hard to deliver the best instruction and services to our students, and we thank you for your continued support with this work. We will continue to build on what we have learned, as we move to this next phase of our re-entry plan. Please know that, together with the support of our families and the community, we will work to ensure a successful transition for all.

Importantly, we really need your help. We need you to complete the parent/student contact information online through ParentVue. If you do not have access to ParentVue, please call the Hudson Park Office at 503.556.0196. A step-by-step process to update your information is available on our website at <https://www.rainier.k12.or.us/onlineregistration>. I know you may be unsure if your son or daughter will come back at this time, but we need your updated contact information as soon as possible. The online registration updates take a few minutes.

A reminder, Immunization Exclusion Day is February 17th. Students will be excluded from school if all required shots are not up-to-date. Please fax updated shot records to the Hudson Park Office. The Hudson Park fax number is 503.556.8212.

We are excited to have student return to campus!

Educationally yours,
Heidi Blakley
HPE Principal