

Colebrook Academy & Elementary School
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August 25, 2020

Dear Parents/Guardians:

Please see the following overview of the building level guidelines for K-6 elementary school: Elementary schedules will provide instructional blocks that will focus on the core content areas of literacy, mathematics, social studies, and science. Social emotional learning will be integrated in these content areas, along with other school-based activities.

Arrival/Dismissal

- Students and parents will not be able to congregate before, during, or after school
- Students will need to remain with parents in cars or socially distanced on campus until school opens; doors will be open at 7:35 and close at 7:50
ENTRANCES for Bus Riders and Private Car Riders
 - Pre-K and K enter kindergarten door
 - Grade 1-3 Double gym doors
 - Grades 4-6 side door next to playground
 - ONLY walkers may enter the Main Street door
 - Late arrivers, after 7:50, enter through main entrance
- Staff members will be positioned outside to open doors and facilitate arrival and social distancing entering the building.
- Students will be met by their teachers and will immediately go to their classroom.

Classroom Arrangements & Instructional Space

- Classrooms will be set up to meet the physical distancing guidelines of 6 feet of separation.
- Students will have assigned seats that allow for contact tracing if necessary.
- Teachers will arrange the room to maximize learning opportunities with their personal teaching style.
- Activities will be designed to limit close contact between students and staff. Consideration will be made for age appropriate instruction, particularly for students in K-1.
- Students will remain in their classroom for all instruction with specials teachers coming to the classroom for lessons; physical education will be outside.
- The outdoor environment will be used as much as possible this year; parents should assume their children will be outside for portions of the school day and should ensure that they are dressed appropriately for all weather conditions.

- When necessary, students will work in another classroom with staff from our Special Education and RTI departments.

Assessment of Learning/ Measuring Student Progress

- Assessments will focus on essential standards related to both the student's previous grade level and starting grade level to best determine current learning levels.
- K-6 uses AIMSWEB Plus and STAR to measure reading and mathematics learning for all students.
- Per current NH DOE requirements, grades 4 and 5 will complete the interim state assessments in reading, writing, and mathematics during the month of October.
- Grade level teams of teachers are also planning to use local assessments to determine student current learning levels.

School Provided Materials

- K-6 students will each receive their own personal storage container for school supplies and assigned a Chromebook for their individual use.

Lunch & Recess

- Lunch and recess periods will be divided by grade level. Students will eat breakfast and lunch in their classrooms.
- No Microwave Access (bag lunches will need to be ready to eat)
- Students will have at least one scheduled 30 minute recess and two scheduled 15 minute movement breaks throughout the day in addition to lunch time. Should weather conditions result in inside recess and movement breaks, teachers will provide opportunities for students to have non-structured down time in a safe way.
- Students will have staggered recess schedules for cohorts / classrooms that limit exposure between groups.
- Students will utilize hand sanitizer before and after recess.
- Recess supervisors will address safe practices and methods of supporting / redirecting students engaged in play.
- Occupancy restrictions will be in place for shared areas (e.g. library media center) that serve as alternative spaces for recess
- Students at play will be required to wear masks when 6' of distance is not maintained

Please join our community meeting for parents on August 31st at 6:00pm

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85333754636?pwd=RnIXSEZVT3J1VitYaVFQNU5NRVdJZz09>

Meeting ID: 853 3375 4636 Passcode: 656798 +16468769923,85333754636#

Sincerely,

Kim Wheelock, Principal