

Eisenhower Middle School Weekly Newsletter

Dear Eisenhower School Community:

This weekend, your child may be experiencing those “first week of school” feelings as we begin a first week of full days of in person learning. Having the first full day of school occur in May is indeed a new experience for us. For some, it may be their first day back after a long virtual experience. I anticipate it will take time to settle in and re-adjust to the demands of a prolonged, uninterrupted school day. Rest assured our counselors, our teaching staff, and administrative team are here to strengthen relationships and connections. We will help ease the transition. Over the weekend, spend time talking with your middle schooler. A focus on the positives (connecting with teachers and friends, getting back to routines, and socializing) during your conversations may provide added support.

This experience has taught us all something about resilience. Join me in welcoming May 3 as the day we are turning the corner.

Best,

Grace E. White

Please Note: If your child is returning to full in person on Monday, May 3, it is not an option to be randomly virtual on some days as well. If your child needs to be absent, please call the main office, and report them as absent for the day. Students will not be permitted to log on to the virtual classroom that day.

May 3 Return to Full day In person with Lunch

On May 3, EMS will return to full day in person learning. During our full days, students will have time to eat lunch. An extended lunch period includes time for TIEE, Recess, and eating lunch. Small, socially distanced cohorts will rotate through these groups during the period and they will be outside as much as possible. Students will need to bring their own lunches. I suggest lunches are packed in insulated lunch bags.

We will follow the regular EMS bell schedule, linked [here](#).

WE ARE WYCKOFF!

On Monday, May 3, please have your child wear their grey *We Are Wyckoff* shirts, as we celebrate taking a wonderfully positive step toward our return to *normal*. If you don't have this shirt, try to wear any Wyckoff one.

TRANSITION DATES

EMS Transition Night on 5/5/21

- 6th to 7th grade transition @ 6:00PM
- 7th to 8th grade transition @ 7:00PM
- Virtual link to follow

Incoming 6th Grade Parent Presentation on 5/13/21

- @ 6:30PM
- Virtual link to follow

EMS Visits 5th Graders

- Week of 5/25

Incoming 6th Grade Event at EMS

9/2 from 10AM-12PM

Grade 8 Promotion Date, to be held outdoors

June 23, 6:30pm is the scheduled for grade 8 promotion.

June 25, 6:30pm is the scheduled RAIN DATE date for grade 8 promotion.

More details on attendance numbers to follow.

Grade 8 Promotion Gown Payment

The price of the gown is \$21.00 per student. Please mail a check made out to Eisenhower School 344 Calvin Court with my attention: Bea Drehwing, or bring it to the EMS front office. Please make payment no later than May 10th.

Grade 8 Promotion

Royal blue gowns for all grade 8 students have been ordered by families. Attire underneath gowns is typically semi-formal such as dresses, dress pants, blouse, khaki slacks, a button-down shirt or polo.

Cell Phones

Students were reminded again this week that cell phones are turned off and not permitted to be used during the school day. Please support, and do not text and expect responses from your child during the school day. You are always welcome to call the main office. Students can access counselors or teachers if a call home is needed.

Quarantine Update

The Bergen County Department of Health (BCDOH) has confirmed a reduction in quarantine days now that we are in yellow:

- Moderate or Low (yellow or green): exposed close contacts should be excluded from school for 10 days (or 7 days with negative test results collected at 5-7 days) (page 17 NJDOH guidelines).

Friday Folder Attachments

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