

Welcome to our Virtual Back to School Meeting

Walton PreK-8 School

We will begin shortly.

Welcome

- Please keep your microphones muted.
- The meeting is being recorded for families who cannot attend, and a copy of this recording will be placed on our website.
- If you have questions during the presentation, please place them in the chat.
- We will have a question/answer session at the end of the presentation.
- If you are calling in, please email Gretchen.Liggins@clevelandmetroschools.org or Aaron.Hall@clevelandmetroschools.org , and we will respond within 48 hours.

Icebreaker (ask parents/caregivers how they are feeling and acknowledge their feelings and reiterate that we are in this together).

Our Priorities

- Maintaining the health, safety, and well-being of our scholars and staff
- Exemplify excellence in learning and teaching, filled with joy and aligned to a coherent, unified core curriculum
- **Supporting our scholars, staff, and families as they adapt to new methods and rhythms of learning and teaching**
- Ensuring operational efficiency across the organization to encourage flexibility and financial health
- Partnering with community organizations and leveraging local assets to more fully and equitably support our scholars and their families

To read the entire ReOpening Plan visit:

<https://www.clevelandmetroschools.org/ReopeningCMSD>



We are in this together

1. We are committed to maintaining the health, safety and well-being of our students, families and educators.
2. We will support our scholars, families and educators as we adapt to new methods and cycles of learning and teaching
3. We will provide regular communication about your scholar's progress.
4. We will partner with community organizations to support our scholars and families.
5. We are all learning to navigate this new "normal" and will continue to partner with you throughout the year.

Important Contacts

Dr. Gretchen Liggins, Principal

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Mr. Aaron Hall, Assistant Principal

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Mr. Derek Green, Wraparound Only Site Coordinator

Ms. Katherine Roman, Walton ESL Lead Teacher

Mrs. Jillian Doering, Walton Special Education Liaison

Ms. Emily Cherney, Bellfaire (Mental Health Services Partner)

Other Important Numbers

COVID-19 Hotline	216.838.WELL (9355)
Rapid Response Hotline for Social & Emotional supports	216.838.2273
IT Computer support	216.838.0440
Multicultural Multilingual support	216.838.0140
School Choice & Enrollment Hotline	216.838.3675 or visit ChooseCMSD.org
Family and Community Engagement	216.838.3223
Special Education Office	216.838.7733
Project ACT Foster & Homeless support	216.838.0210
All other District-related supports	216.838.0000
Community Resources:	
United Way 24/7 confidential assistance	Dial 211
24 Hour Suicide Hotline	216.623.6888
Domestic Violence Hotline	216.391.4357
Ohio Mental Health Crisis Hotline	Text 4HOPE to 741741

School Office Hours and Visitation Procedures

School office hours: 8:00 a.m. to Noon and
1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

- Please call to make an appointment prior to visit.
- Visitors will complete COVID-19 health screening and have their temperature checked prior to entering the building. Visitors should social distance (6 feet).
- All visitors must wear a face mask. If you don't have a mask, one will be provided.

Technology Distribution

- To Be Determined As Orders Arrive

Parents will be contacted. Make sure we have your current phone number and email address.

All parents, guardians, caregivers, employees must wear a mask. Social distancing observed.

School Supplies and other resources

- CMSD has purchased remote learning kits which will include school supplies and ear buds for your scholar to use for the first 9 weeks of remote learning
- You will be contacted when these items are available to pick up from our school

Schoology – Remote Learning Platform

- Schoology is an integrated learning management solution which provides course management, mobile learning, and support for communication.
- Schoology enables our scholars, parents and teachers to engage with learning materials and their school community from the classroom and beyond.
- With Schoology, scholars can digitally submit homework assignments, review grades, participate in interactive discussions, receive announcements and feedback, take tests, write academic blogs, and more.
- As a parent, you will be able to view your child's activity and progress within the platform and communicate with teachers.

Schoology – Remote Learning Platform

- Parents and students can access Schoology through the Clever Learning Portal.
- Students can use their digital badge or username and password to login to the Clever Learning Portal
- Schools can assist students with their Clever username and password.
- Parents that do not have a Clever username and password will receive an email invitation sent to the email that you have on file at your child's school. Your invitation email will include a brief tutorial and link to create a Clever account.
- If you did not receive an email or received an invitation, but need help logging into Clever, email CMSD.Integration@ClevelandMetroSchools.org for assistance. Training and support resources will be available on CMSD's public website regarding how to access and use Schoology and other learning applications

Standard Remote Learning School Day

Standard K-12 student instructional day – 8:30 AM to 3:00 PM

- Students will have a formal class schedule
- Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: Synchronous learning (classes) for up to 180 minutes per day; asynchronous learning (homework) for 160-180 minutes per day
- Wednesday: Family engagement, Asynchronous learning, tutoring, office hours, small group instruction, etc.
- Preschool: Up to 90 minutes of synchronous and 80 minutes of asynchronous learning



Supporting your scholar's remote learning

- Get back into the routine of school, i.e. making bed, grooming, dressing for school, etc.
- School uniforms are not required for the first 9 weeks, but scholars should wear school appropriate clothing during remote learning.
- Create a schedule with your child and make a commitment to stick with it.
- Structure and routine can greatly help your child from falling behind with assignments.
- Discuss your family's schedule and identify the best times for learning and instruction, as well as family-oriented physical activity, such as walks outside.
- A family calendar or other visuals could be useful for keeping track of deadlines and assignments.

Supporting your scholar's remote learning at home

- Find a space in your home that's free of distractions, noise, and clutter for learning and doing homework.
- This could be a quiet, well-lit place in your dining room or living room or a corner of your home that could fit a small table, if available.

Supporting your scholar's social emotional wellness

- Watch for behavior changes in your child (e.g., excessive crying or irritation, excessive worry or sadness, unhealthy eating or sleeping habits, difficulty concentrating), which may be signs of your child struggling with stress and anxiety.
- Ask how your child is feeling and communicate that what they may be feeling is normal.
- Identify opportunities for your child to be physically active during virtual/at-home learning.
- Reach out to school staff for support.

Family Care Plan

Over the next week educators from our school will be calling families to assist you in a variety of ways

- Selecting your meal service option
- Technology support
- Locations for remote learning for scholars who need a safe space during the school day
- Determining other areas where you may need support to make sure that you and your scholar are ready for remote learning

Meal Distribution

Families have two meal service options to select from during the remote learning period. Meal pickup begins ***Tuesday, September 8, 2020 from 10:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.***

- Scholars will receive a letter in the mail with a barcode they must bring to the meal site to pick up meals.
- If you do not receive your letter in the mail, we can print it for you.
- Families must select one option to follow during the nine-week remote learning period.
- Options are available for all students PreK-12, so the family will only have one pick-up site for meal service.

Meal Distribution

Option 1: Pickup 4 days during the week

- Grab and Go meals service available at all K-8 sites will distribute lunch and breakfast Monday, Tuesday Thursday and Friday.
- On Tuesday, scholars will be given food for Tuesday AND Wednesday.

Meal Distribution

Option 2: Once a week pickup Grab and Go Meals

- Available at 17 High School sites for once a week service of meals
- All Scholars/Families can go to the closest school building to their homes
- Selection option determined through Family Care Plan the school staff are to establish with every scholar/family

Supports and Resources at our School

Wraparound-Site Coordinator Derek Green

Mental Health – Bellfaire, Emily Cherney

C.A.R.E. – Andrew Valdez

Compassionate Arts Reimagining Education

AmaZEN You Yoga

Monthly Fresh Fruits and Vegetable Market

(Dates to Be Determined)

Questions and Answers

Please place your questions or comments in the chat.

If you are participating by phone, please email your questions or comments to

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Need assistance in Spanish?

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Closing Comments

