

Welcome Back, Students and Parents!

We are excited the time has come where we can officially say welcome back to everyone in person! We appreciate your support thus far and ask you to continue to give us grace, patience and flexibility as we make our return the best it can possibly be. As we anticipate our full return on Monday, we want to provide you with some helpful reminders. As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to your child's advisory teacher.

**Masks:**

Students are required to wear masks at all times with the exception of designated lunch, snack times and outdoor recess. Students will be allowed to remove their face covering when they are outside, within their same cohort and are at least 3 feet apart from each other. Coonley is providing each student with a brand new Coonley mask, and classroom teachers will have extra disposable masks available if needed.

**Health Screener/Student Arrival & Departure**

Expedited Entry Protocols:

Mandatory temperature checks will not be required for staff and students this year, as public health experts have determined that they are not an effective way of screening for COVID-19.

At-Home Daily Health Questionnaire:

Starting August 30, staff and students will complete a daily health checklist at home before they come to school using the CPS health screening questions. The questionnaire will NOT be submitted electronically.

Parents and guardians will be required to submit a quarterly attestation form in which they agree to perform daily health screening of their student before sending them to school. The attestation will ask parents and guardians to:

- Agree to screen their child for possible symptoms or COVID-19 exposure at home each day prior to school
- Confirm that they will not send their child to school if they answer "yes" to any of the CPS health screening questions
- Inform their child's school if their child will be absent from in-person class because they are sick or have been exposed to a confirmed COVID case.
- **Schools will be asked to collect these forms back by September 3, 2021 for the first Quarter.**

Entry/Dismissal:

On the first day of school, students will line up at their classroom cone on the field. Teachers will come get the students and bring them in the building in order to show the entry and dismissal door.

Each grade level should enter/exit using the following doors ONLY:

Grade	Entrance Door	Entrance Time	Exit Door	Exit Time
6th Grade	Bell Door #5	8:30am	Bell Door #5	3:25pm
7th Grade	Bell Door #5	8:35am	Bell Door #5	3:30pm
8th Grade	Bell Door #5	8:35am	Bell Door #5	3:30pm

**Travel Information:**

If your family intends to travel, please refer to the [CPS COVID-19 Travel Guidance for Families](#).

**Lockers:**

Upon entry the first day, students will receive their locks on the first day. Students will come to the classroom first and be dismissed to lockers in small groups to minimize the number of students in the hallway at any given time.

**Lunch/Recess:**

Middle school lunch and recess will take place from 1:20-2:10 each day. Students will be eating in the Multipurpose Room at either 1:20-1:45 or 1:45-2:10. For recess, homerooms will be assigned a specific resource location such as the turf field or basketball court. **Please note: No nuts on day #1 of school.**

**Snack (Mid-morning):**

Students will be allowed to have a small healthy snack during class to keep them going until lunch. **Please NO NUTS.** Snacks should be easy to eat and not distracting to instruction (no thermos/silverware) etc.

**Water Bottles:**

Students should bring a water bottle. Water fillers will be functional but no water fountains will be available.

**School Sports:**

Elementary and High School sports schedules will resume this year. Coonley will notify students when this is to begin.

If you have any questions about the CPS protocols in place, we urge you to take a look at the [Parent, Educator and External Partner Guide linked here](#).

Thank you,  
The Middle School Team