



## Transitioning to a 4 Day In Person Option

Before completing the survey in the Genesis Parent Portal, please consider the following:

- The [New Jersey Department of Education](#), the [New Jersey Department of Health](#) and the [CDC](#) guidelines recommend at least 6 feet of physical distance, to the greatest extent practicable.
  - The District continues to use the 6 feet of social distancing as the foundation for our classroom organization.
  - Following the survey, we will have a better idea of which classrooms will be most impacted and will not be able to meet the 6 feet of social distancing.
  - We will notify families whose children will be in classrooms where the 6 feet cannot be maintained.
  - Your child has the potential to be at greater risk for being exposed to and contracting COVID-19 when Cohorts A & B are combined for the 4 day in person option.
    - There is an increased risk for exposure to and contracting COVID-19 when social distancing of 6 feet is not maintained.
- The District will continue to monitor contact tracing for all students and staff members who report a positive COVID-19 test result.
  - When we are made aware of a positive COVID-19 individual in one of our schools, our contact tracing includes an analysis of the class seating charts and communication with classrooms teachers and other professionals who may have been in the classroom. Other students in the classroom who are determined to be close contacts, within 6 feet for more than 15 minutes, are required to be excluded from school for a quarantine period.
  - If a symptomatic student does not get tested for COVID-19 and is only excluded due to symptoms, contact tracing will not occur and close contacts will not be notified. You will only be notified if a close contact of your child tests positive for COVID-19. This is in accordance with the New Jersey Department of Health guidelines.
- Our staff have worked diligently since school opened in September to have classroom environments that are structured using the New Jersey Department of Health and CDC guidelines.
  - Room configurations will be adjusted based on the survey responses.
  - We will notify families whose children will be in classrooms where the 6 feet cannot be maintained.
  - The enhanced cleaning and sanitizing of classrooms will continue.
- The District also continues to urge our school community to get COVID-19 tested when symptoms are present and/or if you or your child has a known exposure to a COVID-19 positive individual and/or an individual displaying COVID-19 like symptoms.
  - We cannot require COVID testing.
- Please continue to follow the COVID-19 mitigation practices, and model them for your child.
  - Wear a mask.
  - Maintain 6 feet of social distancing.
  - Practice good hand hygiene, washing/sanitizing your hands frequently.
  - Complete the daily [COVID-19 At-Home Screening](#).