



October 14, 2020

Greetings Bobcat Families,

First, I would like to thank each of you for assisting us in creating a virtual learning environment for your child. I am often amazed by how fantastic our Bobcat community has been during the start of this school year. We are now ready to begin transitioning students back to campus in order to provide face to face instruction. While this transition may feel as if we are starting school for the very first day, I know we will get through this together, safe and sound. Please review the following information carefully regarding transition to Phase 2. Lastly, please find comfort in knowing we are doing everything possible to ensure your child's safety at A.C. Moore. As always, we are A.C. Moore STRONG and together, will face any challenges that lie ahead. If you have any questions please contact your child's homeroom teacher or call the main office at (803) 343-2910.

Cohort Assignments

Cohort A will attend school in-person weekly on Monday and Tuesday. Your child is assigned to Cohort A if their last name starts with letters A-K.

Cohort B will attend school in-person weekly on Thursday and Friday. Your child is assigned to Cohort B if their last name starts with letters L-Z.

If your child's cohort has been changed, you will have received written notification of this from school administration.

Unless requested, siblings and students in shared households across the Dreher cluster (Hand Middle, Dreher High School) have been placed on the same cohort day.

Return Dates

1. Students in **Pre-K through 2nd grade** will attend in-person starting October 26th.
2. Students in **grades 3-5** will attend in-person starting Thursday, November 5th with Cohort B.
3. On the days students are not in attendance in-person, they will complete asynchronous learning via Microsoft TEAMS. Teachers will send out more information regarding asynchronous learning expectations as the dates approach.

Arrival/Dismissal

4. Arrival is from 7:00 - 7:30. Upon entering the building students will pick up breakfast from a pre-designated area and then be escorted to their homeroom where they will have breakfast and begin morning work. If your child arrives after 7:30 an adult will need to escort them to the entrance near the auditorium doors of the school to receive a tardy slip from the adult on duty prior to being allowed to go to class. Adults will not be allowed to enter the building. Please do not leave your child unattended at the front door.
5. If your child is a car rider, you or your child must open the car door in order to exit/enter. You will be assigned a car rider tag that will be used during dismissal to assist with loading students safely and quickly. Car tags will be distributed on your child's first day in person.



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6. Any changes to a child's normal mode of transportation to/from school must be received in writing (email, fax, or handwritten note) and sent to your child's teacher in addition to Madolyn Thorpe (madolyn.thorpe@richlandone.org) no later than 2pm on the day of the change.
7. Students needing to be dismissed early from school will need to be picked up no later than 2pm. Adults can report to the main office where their student will be sent to them. Similar to absences, early dismissals also require that an excuse be provided to Madolyn Thorpe or the homeroom teacher.
8. Dismissal will begin at 2:20 for bus and daycare riders. Dismissal for walkers will be at 2:25. Adults picking up walkers are asked to line up on the paw prints outside the main office entrance. Dismissal for car riders will begin at 2:30. You must remain in your car. We will be implementing a new dismissal procedure where students will stay in their classrooms until their car tag number is displayed on the classroom smartboards. This is being done in an attempt not to mix classes in hallways. Please be patient as we put this in place. Changes may be made if necessary.

Safety

9. All students, staff, and visitors must wear a **MASK** at all times while on school grounds. Students must have on a mask the moment they step on school grounds. If anyone arrives without a mask, one will be provided for them. If your child refuses to keep his or her mask on, disciplinary actions will be taken per the Student Code of Conduct. If a visitor refuses to wear a mask, they will be asked to leave campus. This will be highly enforced to ensure the safety of all staff and students.
10. All student desks/tables have been reinforced with a tri-fold plexi-glass guard. Teachers were all provided with hand sanitizer, hand wipes, student and staff face shields, and additional disposable masks.
11. Students will be served lunch within their classrooms. Lunch will be delivered to the rooms. Related Arts classes will also be taught within the homeroom space. Bottled water will be provided to all students to avoid use of common water fountains.
12. Classroom bathroom use will be monitored in addition to hallway bathrooms to ensure social distancing.
13. Breaks for frequent hand washing have been embedded into the daily schedule. Hand sanitizer stations and touchless paper towel dispensers have been installed in every classroom.
14. Recess spaces and times have been structured to allow classes to stay within their homeroom cohort.
15. Daily disinfecting of commonly used areas will take place throughout the day. Daily disinfecting of classrooms will begin after dismissal.

Sincerely,

LaQuana Aldridge,

Principal