

NORWELL HIGH SCHOOL



Fall 2020 Reopening

WELCOME BACK!

ADMINISTRATION INTRODUCTION

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GOAL FOR TODAY'S PRESENTATION

- Provide students and families with the information needed to support a comfortable transition back to school
- Told through the expectations of a typical day

REALITY OF THE SITUATION

- This will not be a typical year
- There are inherent issues & limiting realities associated with the hybrid schedule (or any schedule in this environment)
- Need to adjust expectations to avoid placing an unreasonable burden on students, teachers, and families

2020 - 2021

**NHS SCHEDULE
INFORMATION**

HYBRID SCHEDULE HIGHLIGHTS

- All students placed in either Blue or Gold cohort
- Students attend school in-person every other day as assigned by color
- Opposite day students engage in remote learning activities
- Rotating 7 period schedule - two blocks drop per day
- Start and end times remain the same (7:55 - 2:37)

NHS SCHEDULE ROTATION

	Blue A	Gold A	Blue B	Gold B	Blue C	Gold C	Blue D	Gold D	Blue E	Gold E	Blue F	Gold F	Blue G	Gold G
Block 1	1	1	6	6	4	4	2	2	7	7	5	5	3	3
Block 2	2	2	7	7	5	5	3	3	1	1	6	6	4	4
Block 3	3	3	1	1	6	6	4	4	2	2	7	7	5	5
Block 4	4	4	2	2	7	7	5	5	3	3	1	1	6	6
Block 5	5	5	3	3	1	1	6	6	4	4	2	2	7	7

BELL SCHEDULE

Block 1	7:55 - 8:56	55 min. class - 6 mins for announcements & order lunch
Block 2	9:01 - 10:06	55 min. class - 10 min mask break
Block 3	10:11 - 12:27	1 hr. 49 min. class - Calm classroom - Four 25 minute lunches w/ 12 min passing to disinfect surfaces
Block 4	12:32 - 1:37	55 min. class - 10 minute mask break
Block 5	1:42 - 2:37	55 min. class
Lunch (Block 3):		
1st Lunch	10:11 - 10:36	Cafeteria return to class at 10:36
2nd Lunch	10:48 - 11:13	Bell at 10:46 to release for 2nd Lunch - return at 11:13
3rd Lunch	11:25 - 11:50	Bell at 11:23 to release for 3rd Lunch - return at 11:50
4th Lunch	12:02 - 12:27	Bell at 12:00 to release for 4th Lunch - 12:27 to end block

EARLY RELEASE DAY SCHEDULE

All Students Meet Remotely - September 23rd

Period 1	8:00 - 8:20
Period 2	8:30 - 8:50
Period 3	9:00 - 9:20
Period 4	9:30 - 9:50
Period 5	10:00 - 10:20
Period 6	10:30 - 10:50
Period 7	11:00 - 11:20

STUDENT SCHEDULES

- Student cohorts - Blue and Gold
 - Scheduled to create even classes and offer family consistency
 - Student cohort are now available
- Student Schedules
 - Created based on student requests in spring
 - Herculean effort to:
 - Adapt original schedule
 - Maintain social distancing guidelines
 - level all courses between 7 to 12 students
- Unable to accommodate cohort or schedule changes

FULL REMOTE SCHEDULE

(If Needed)

	Day Y	Day Z
Block 1 1hr. 15 min	Pd. 1	Pd. 5
Block 2 1hr. 15 min	Pd. 2	Pd. 6
Lunch 30 min	Lunch	Break
Block 3 1hr. 15 min	Pd. 3	Pd. 7
Block 4 1hr. 15min	Pd. 4	Intervention time

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

September 16th - First day of school

- First day of school is a Blue Day - all students in Blue Cohort attend school in the building
- Students in the Gold Cohort expected to attend remote meetings on this day as part of their orientation to school

September 17th -

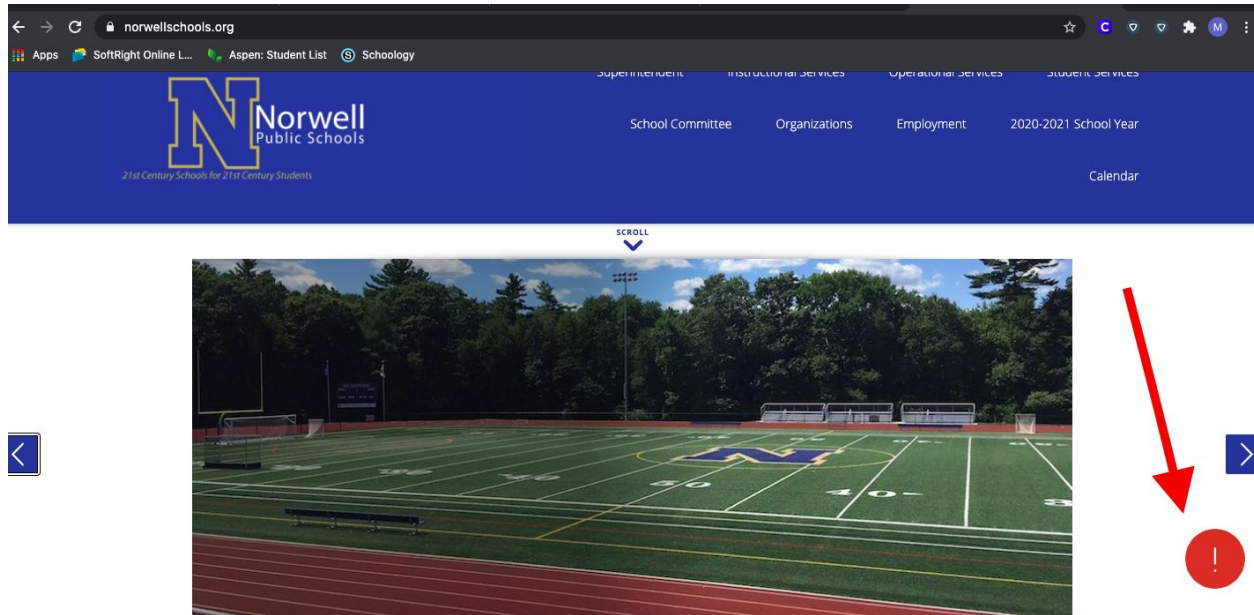
- Students in the Gold Cohort will attend classes in the building while students in the Blue Cohort will be expected to attend our remote orientation sessions.
- Additional details will be forthcoming

**PROCEDURES FOR TYPICAL
DAY @ NHS**

**DETAILED POLICIES & PROCEDURES FOUND IN COVID
INSERT TO HANDBOOK**

COVID-19 PASS

- Any person entering the building must complete a health screening called COVID-19 Pass.



COVID-19 PASS

In the past 24 hours have you had... *

- Fever (100° Fahrenheit or higher), chills, or shaking chills
- Cough (not due to other known cause, such as chronic cough)
- Difficulty breathing or shortness of breath
- New loss of taste or smell
- New or worsened sore throat
- Headache when in combination with other symptoms
- Muscle aches or body aches
- Nausea, vomiting, or diarrhea
- Fatigue, when in combination with other symptoms
- Nasal congestion or runny nose (not due to other known causes, such as allergies) when in combination with other symptoms
- No Symptoms *

Are you in compliance with the State of Massachusetts Travel ordinance? *

- Yes
- No

MASK POLICY

- A mask or face covering that covers the nose and mouth must be worn by all individuals in school buildings, on school grounds..., Not required during designated times for eating or drinking when six foot social distancing is observed.
- The district will supply disposable face coverings for students of families in need and in other instances of necessity.

ADDITIONAL DISTRICT POLICIES / PROCEDURES

- Scenarios for when staff and students should remain home and notification processes.
 - Situation, Response, Requirement to Return to School, Notifications
- Visitor Policy:
 - Visitors appointment only
- Remote Learning Guidelines:
 - Attendance is expected at all sessions
 - Recording of live lessons is prohibited

BUSSING & PARKING

- Parking:
 - All licenced students have the option to drive
 - First-come/first-served basis in white lined spots
 - Parking fees will be waived for the 20-21 school year
- Bus Information:
 - The bus fee will remain at \$250 - due date in Oct.
 - Bus route information should be available in Aspen this week
 - We expect to accommodate most riders - priority being given to those living furthest from the school

ATTENDANCE POLICY

- In-person cohort attendance taken as usual
- Students completing remote assignments before the end of the day will be identified as “VP” (Virtually Present)
- Students who do not complete the remote assignment will be identified as “VA” (Virtually Absent)

ENTERING SCHOOL

- Student drop-off @ 7:45
- Masks must be worn
- Enter using main doors in front of office from parking lot or bus side of building
- Maintain social distance when entering building
- All students must have a cell phone or iPad visible to show their Covid Daily Pass
- Students not completing Covid Pass electronically must answer the screening questions with an office staff member

OPEN CAMPUS POLICY

Designed to increase social distancing by providing families with the option to allow their student to leave school when not scheduled in class.

- Students are required to have signed Covid Contract (parent permission and signed agreement of terms) prior to participation - available on Sept. 16
- Students are responsible for their own well-being and travel once they sign out
- Students not receiving permission will be assigned a required directed study
- Participating students do not have to leave the building - will have seat in a study
- If parents only want students to be able to arrive late or leave early email guidance counselor
- Students must check in or out at main office each time they leave or arrive at the building
- Participating students are not permitted to gather or socialize on campus

HALLWAY MOVEMENT

- Maintain social distancing guidelines moving throughout building
- Not permitted to gather in hallways, cafeteria, lavatories, or library
- Students should walk on the right side of all hallways
- One way direction stairwells:
 - **Blue Wing:**
 - Stairwell closest to spine - one way toward the upper level.
 - Far stairwell - one way down toward the lower level
 - **Gold Wing:**
 - Stairwell closest to spine - one way toward the upper level
 - Far stairwell - one way direction down toward the lower level
 - **World Language Wing:**
 - Stairwell designated one way direction for movement toward the library

ITEM DROP-OFF

- Item drop-off
 - Leave item in designated covered location outside building on Lot A side.
- Parents dismissing student
 - Send note with student
 - Call the high school office
 - Remain in car at pickup

CLASSROOM EXPECTATIONS

- When entering a classroom, students must go directly to their assigned seat
- Assigned seating to assist with contact tracing
- E-Hallpass to assist with bathroom sign out
- Seating exceeds state guidelines, facing in the same direction and six feet from the front for teacher space
- No student should leave their seat until after the bell
- Students make appointments for extra help (Late Night) managed at teacher discretion
- Extra help encouraged to be done remotely whenever possible
- No eating or drinking in class
- When leaving a classroom, students will be dismissed starting with the seat closest to the door

MASK BREAKS

- Additional ten minutes during block 2 and block 4
- Breaks taken at teacher discretion during the block
- Taken outside - weather permitting
- Teachers should use the closest exterior door and ensure it is secured shut when they return from the mask break
- Students must maintain 6 feet distancing to remove masks outside
- Utilization of cafeteria, auditorium, and gymnasium during inclement weather

GRADING & FINAL EXAMS

- Grading structure will not change regardless of learning format (full, hybrid, or remote.)
 - All courses carry a category weight for participation:
 - Engagement/Participation: 15%
 - Everything Else: 85% (can be categories or total points inside this 85%)
 - Teacher identifies remaining categories/points to their classes in syllabus
- Year End Calculation = $(\text{Term 1} + \text{Term 2} + \text{Term 3} + \text{Term 4}) / 4$
- Final Exams:
 - Will not run a formal week long final exam program to increase time on learning
 - Departments may use “final exam” assessment to gauge students' year-end understanding
 - Will be included in term 4 grade

REMOTE LEARNING EXPECTATIONS

- Remote learning activities will be assigned any school day the student is not scheduled to report to class
- Students expected to engage in learning during regularly scheduled hours (7:55 - 2:37)
- Students must submit remote assignment work via Schoology by 2:37pm.
- Assignments may last for multiple sessions but daily engagement assignment will be completed to ensure the student's virtual attendance
- Students who miss deadlines will be penalized for the grading of that assignment

Student Engagement:

- A two point assignment will be added to Schoology for every class and remote activity

LUNCH PROCEDURES

- Seating:
 - Single desks set up to provide six feet between every student
 - Students permitted to remove their mask while seated
 - Outside seating permitted one student per table or otherwise designated - weather permitting
- Ordering:
 - Completed during first block of the day - Reminder during morning announcements
 - Students ordering in advance will join socially distanced line, separate from cafeteria for “grab & go” lunch

LUNCH PROCEDURES Cont.

Clean Up :

- Students responsible to throw away all trash before exiting
- Spray and towels will be available for self serve cleaning
- Between lunches:
 - Custodial staff will clean and spray surface of each table with disinfectant spray

EXITING SCHOOL

- Use any exterior door to exit building at 2:37pm
- Students must leave building unless they have appointment
- Students must depart building following school or at conclusion of pre-arranged appointment with teacher for extra help (Late Night)
- Extra help is encouraged to be remote when possible
- Students dismissed early by parent or leaving in accordance with Open Campus Policy must sign out at the main office

CLEANING & DISINFECTING

- Teachers supplied with cleaning supplies & disinfectants
- Disinfectants available and used in every classroom
 - Spray takes 5 minutes to dry
 - Kills germs at the coronavirus level
- Each classroom will be supplied with wipes which will be safe for students to use to clean their individual areas
- High-touch surface/areas will be cleaned throughout the day
- Building will be disinfected at the end of each school day

SOCIAL & EMOTIONAL SUPPORTS

- 9th-Grade Orientation
 - Parent video presentation/orientation forthcoming
- Guidance Counselors
 - Currently supporting students
 - Senior presentation & Q&A - Sept. 22nd at 7PM
 - Meeting on remote days
 - All students receiving video
- Advisory/Homeroom
- Peer Educators
 - Welcome back video

TECHNOLOGY SUPPORT

- Schoology training for families:
 - Schoology access available Friday
 - A training video emailed early next week and posted
 - Include basics of how to log in, checking student grades, and obtaining course information
 - Virtual Schoology Support Session:
 - Thursday 9/24 at 12:45 and Thursday 9/24 at 7PM
- Tech Solution available tech.solutions@norwellschools.org
- Ipad issues - tech.support@norwellschools.org

KEYS TO OUR COLLECTIVE SUCCESS

- We're all in this together
 - Supporting one another
 - Continue working together to find solutions
 - Remaining flexible and patient as we enter these unprecedented circumstances
 - Wearing masks and practicing social distancing

TEACHER RECOGNITION

- Professional Development, Preparation & Planning
- Incredible challenge - meet with superior professionalism
 - New schedule
 - New district, school & department requirements
 - Prioritizing standards
 - Forced to rethink the scope, sequence, and pacing of courses
 - New environmental and engagement challenges with masks and remote learning
 - Challenge Met! With enthusiasm that's invigorating - true professionals!

QUESTIONS?

