

PARENT AND STUDENT INFORMATION FOR MERRIMACK HIGH SCHOOL

2020-2021

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First Days Extended Homeroom Schedule

Wednesday, September 9	Thursday, September 10	Friday, September 11
7:30 – 11:30 HYBRID STUDENTS GROUP B (Last names L – Z or assigned by guidance to this group) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will attend HOMEROOM at MHS • Students will have regular bus transportation to school in the morning • Lunch will be available to all students. • Buses will transport students home at 11:30 	7:30 – 11:30 HYBRID STUDENTS GROUP A (Last names A – K or assigned by guidance to this group) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will attend HOMEROOM at MHS • Students will have regular bus transportation to school in the morning • Lunch will be available to all students. • Buses will transport students home at 11:30 	FLEX DAY ALL STUDENTS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Check your school email (preferably by 8:30) • Complete the Homeroom Form • Continue to work on Homeroom Activities • Email Homeroom Advisor with questions and concerns
REMOTE STUDENTS GROUP D (Last names L – Z or assigned by guidance to this group) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students will remain at home • Homeroom teachers will email a zoom link to meet remotely. 	REMOTE STUDENTS GROUP C (Last names A – K or assigned by guidance to this group) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students will remain at home • Homeroom teachers will email a zoom link to meet remotely. 	

Homeroom Advisors are assigned to help students build positive relationships with adults in the building and help all students in feeling safe and comfortable in their transition back to school after six months.

The goals of the Extended Homeroom Schedule are:

- To allow time for Seniors to participate in a grab and go breakfast and meet either on the field or socially distanced in the Gym to meet their Senior Officers and Advisors and the Administration
- To allow time for Ninth grade and Transfer students to acquaint themselves with the building, since there was no Eighth Grade Parents Night last spring nor tours throughout the summer.
- To allow time to review new processes and protocols given COVID-short videos on adhering to social distancing and new procedures that students will follow
- To allow time to have homeroom students work together on team building activities
- To allow time to assist students in creating a plan to prepare for the independent extension days in order to set a course for success.
- To allow time to assist students in their social emotional health/partnering with our System of Care Coordinator Fern Seiden.

WEEK OF 9/14-9/18 BEGINS NORMAL HYBRID/REMOTE SCHEDULE (see below)

Schedule Overviews

Schedule for Hybrid A group student (Last names A – K or assigned by guidance to this group)

- Prior to leaving for school each day the **parent** is responsible for taking their child's temperature and checking for any concerning symptoms.
- If a student is ill and will not attend class, parent should call Merrimack High School at 424-6204 prior to the start of the school day to report a student absence.
- Students should bring two labeled water bottles to school each day. Water fountains and water filling stations are closed.
- No use of lockers and no use of locker rooms.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
In MHS Building	In MHS Building	Remote Independent Extension 1, 3, 5, 7	Remote Independent Extension 2, 4, 6, 8	FLEX DAY
Period 1 7:30 – 9:00 • Teacher will take attendance	Period 2 7:30 – 9:00 • Teacher will take attendance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Check your school email (preferably by 8:30) • Complete the Homeroom Form for check-in and attendance • Continue to work on assignments for periods 1, 3, 5, 7 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Check your school email (preferably by 8:30) • Complete the Homeroom Form for check-in and attendance • Continue to work on assignments for periods 2, 4, 6, 8 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Check your school email (preferably by 8:30) • Complete the Homeroom Form for check-in and attendance • Continue to work on assignments for periods 1-8 • Email teachers with questions and concerns
Period 3 9:04 – 10:34 • Teacher will take attendance	Period 4 9:04 – 10:34 • Teacher will take attendance			
HOMEROOM 10:38 – 10:48 • Teacher will take attendance	HOMEROOM 10:38 – 10:48 • Teacher will take attendance			
Period 5 10:52 – 12:41 • Teacher will take attendance Lunch A 10:52-11:17 Lunch B 11:20-11:45 Lunch C 11:48-12:13 Lunch D 12:16-12:41 • Students will eat in classrooms • ONLY students buying lunch will go to the cafeteria and return to the classroom to eat	Period 6 10:52 – 12:41 • Teacher will take attendance Lunch A 10:52-11:17 Lunch B 11:20-11:45 Lunch C 11:48-12:13 Lunch D 12:16-12:41 • Students will eat in classrooms • ONLY students buying lunch will go to the cafeteria and return to the classroom to eat			
Period 7 12:45 – 2:15 • Teacher will take attendance • Please exit the building promptly so that custodians can begin daily cleaning	Period 8 12:45 – 2:15 • Teacher will take attendance • Please exit the building promptly so that custodians can begin daily cleaning			

Schedule for Hybrid B group student (Last names L – Z or assigned by guidance to this group)

- Prior to leaving for school each day the **parent** is responsible for taking their child’s temperature and checking for any concerning symptoms.
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- Students should bring two labeled water bottles to school each day. Water fountains and water filling stations are closed.
- No use of lockers and no use of locker rooms.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Remote Independent Extension 1, 3, 5, 7	Remote Independent Extension 2, 4, 6, 8	In MHS Building	In MHS Thursday Building	FLEX DAY
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Check your school email (preferably by 8:30) • Complete the Homeroom Form for check-in and attendance • Continue to work on assignments for periods 1, 3, 5, 7 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Check your school email (preferably by 8:30) • Complete the Homeroom Form for check-in and attendance • Continue to work on assignments for periods 2, 4, 6, 8 	Period 1 7:30 – 9:00 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teacher will take attendance 	Period 2 7:30 – 9:00 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teacher will take attendance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Check your school email (preferably by 8:30) • Complete the Homeroom Form for check-in and attendance • Continue to work on assignments for periods 1-8 • Email teachers with questions and concerns
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Schedule for Remote C group student (Last names A – K or assigned by guidance to this group)

- If a student is ill and will not attend class, parent should call Merrimack High School at 424-6204 prior to the start of the school day to report a student absence.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Direct Instruction with Teacher via Zoom during your scheduled class	Direct Instruction with Teacher via Zoom during your scheduled class	Remote Independent Extension 1, 3, 5, 7	Remote Independent Extension 2, 4, 6, 8	FLEX DAY
Period 1 Zoom 7:30 – 9:00 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teacher will provide zoom link • Teacher will take attendance 	Period 2 Zoom 7:30 – 9:00 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teacher will provide zoom link • Teacher will take attendance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Check your school email (preferably by 8:30) • Complete the Homeroom Form for check-in and attendance • Continue to work on assignments for periods 1, 3, 5, 7 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Check your school email (preferably by 8:30) • Complete the Homeroom Form for check-in and attendance • Continue to work on assignments for periods 2, 4, 6, 8 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Check your school email (preferably by 8:30) • Complete the Homeroom Form for check-in and attendance • Continue to work on assignments for periods 1-8 • Email teachers with questions and concerns
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Schedule for Remote D group student (Last names L – Z or assigned by guidance to this group)

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HOMEROOM

- Students in both Hybrid and Remote Learning will be assigned a Homeroom Advisor.
- The Homeroom Advisor may be different from last year for students in grades 10-12.
- We want everyone to participate in EVERY Homeroom Advisory Session.
- Students will meet in person two days a week with their Homeroom Advisor and check in via Form the other 3 days.
- Homeroom Advisor will check on students to see how things are going.

SCHOOL SCHEDULE

All Students

The School Schedule for Direct-Instruction Days runs from 7:30-2:15. Students will be scheduled for a minimum of 3 periods per day in the block schedule.

EXPECTATIONS FOR SCHEDULED CLASSES

All Students

- Attend Direct Instruction Classes and Homeroom Advisory for the entire scheduled time.
- If a student is ill and will not attend class, parent should call Merrimack High School at 424-6204 prior to the start of the school day to report a student absence.
- All school rules apply; based on the Student Handbook.
- Students should have their electronics off and away during Direct Instruction.

REMOTE

- Be on time and attend all zoom classes and Homeroom Advisory with your teacher.
- Display your entire name first and last on the screen
- Display your image on the screen during direct instruction classes in order to be considered present for the class (video on and audio on when requested).

EXPECTATIONS FOR FLEX DAY FRIDAY

All Students

- Complete the Attendance Form for their Homeroom Teacher (form will be on the Homepage).
- Students need to complete the equivalent of 45 minutes per class. Students will not be assigned new work on Friday but will use their Friday FLEX Day to complete their already assigned work
- Students may reach out to staff members with any questions during regular school hours. Please realize that staff members are also scheduling meetings on Fridays, but they will respond as soon as they are able.
- Some students may have meetings and/or therapies. If so, those students will be contacted.

ATTENDANCE

All Students

- Students will attend school every day; either remotely or in the hybrid model-through Direct Instruction or Independent Extension Learning.
- If a student is ill and will not attend class, parent should call Merrimack High School at 424-6204 prior to the start of the school day to report the absence.

HYBRID	REMOTE
<p>Prior to leaving for school each day the Parent is responsible for taking their child's temperature and checking for any concerning symptoms.</p> <p>The parent should call in to Merrimack High School at 424-6204 prior to the start of the school day to report a student absence.</p> <p>Teachers will take attendance on the days the student has Direct Instruction.</p> <p><u>Students will fill out a Homeroom Form available on the Homepage for attendance on Independent Extension Days and Flex Days so that they accounted for 5 days a week.</u></p>	<p>The Teacher will take attendance during the Zoom sessions that include Direct Instruction Days.</p> <p><u>Students will fill out a Form for attendance on Independent Extension Days through their Homeroom Form, on the Homepage.</u></p>

WEEKLY ASSIGNMENTS

All Students

- Student's weekly assignments/ lessons will be posted by 8:00 am Monday
- Students are expected to complete all assignments and assessments and follow deadlines.
- Assignments must be completed in the order taught and assigned.
- Students must be truthful in completing assessments and assignments

GRADING

All Students

- Teachers will provide timely feedback to students and post grades within two weeks.
- Traditional Grading only for 2020-2021; no Competency-grading.
- 65 Is Passing
- Grade Point Average will be calculated beginning Fall of 2020
- Credits: Seniors are expected to earn 20 credits, according to the State Guidelines. Underclassmen will work toward earning 21 MHS credits.
- Due to Essential Learning Competencies (ELC's) learners will not have Mid-Term or Final Exams for the 2020-2021 school year; they will be assessed based on these essential learning competencies which will be posted on the MHS website
- For sequential courses, students will be given an informational formative tool to determine any lagging skills or gaps in their learning from the 2019-2020 school year, and staff will work with students to backfill these gaps.

Incompletes

Students have until October 16th to complete courses from Quarter 4 last year. There will be opportunities during study halls and after school as well as on Flex Day Fridays and during independent work times.

LEARNING SPACES AND COMMON AREAS

All Students

- On independent extension days students should devote a space that is distraction-free in order to complete their school work and class assignments.

HYBRID	REMOTE
Learning spaces and Common Areas at MHS will reflect current guidelines on physical distancing and health and hygiene guidelines provided by the State of NH DHHS and the District.	Devote a space that is distraction-free and school appropriate during all direct instruction periods and in student meetings.

SAFETY AND WELLBEING

All Students

- Students should reach out to the Homeroom Teachers and Academic Teachers with any concerns or questions.
- Students are encouraged to reach out to their school counselor with any personal or course/career questions/concerns:

Last Names	Counselor
A-C	Ms.Ledoux
D-G	Ms. Spotts
H-Mag	Ms. Isenberger
Mar-Rob	Mrs. Colbert
Roc-Z	Mr. Leone

HYBRID
<p>PER THE MERRIMACK SCHOOL BOARD, ALL STUDENTS ARE EXPECTED TO WEAR MASKS AT ALL TIMES AT MHS. This also means from the time a student boards the bus in the morning until they disembark the bus in the afternoon. A staff member may allow short mask breaks of 1-2 minutes, when appropriate.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Stay home when sick.✓ Wash hands frequently.✓ Students take responsibility for maintaining a clean workspace in the classroom.✓ Students are expected to comply with social distancing guidelines.✓ For daily sanitizing, students should leave the MHS building immediately at the end of the school day, unless they are part of an approved activity.✓ Students should not be in the building on FLEX Day Fridays unless they have been scheduled for a specific activity.✓ Students should ask their teacher before going to the Nurses Office. Teachers need to call the Health Office before any student reports.✓ Students should bring two labeled water bottles to school each day since water fountains and water filling stations are closed.

COMMUNICATION

All Students

- ✓ Students MUST check their school email daily. (Students should try to check before 8:30am)
- ✓ Parents and Students should reach out to academic teachers with any questions or concerns.
- ✓ Staff will communicate with students and parents regarding any concerns.

LUNCHESES

All Students

Lunches may be requested for remote students and on independent extension days. This is being coordinated through Food Services. More information will be forthcoming.

HYBRID

- Lunch Periods will be divided into A, B, C, D during Period 5 on Odd Days and Period 6 on Even Days.
- Students will eat lunch in classrooms.
- ONLY students who are buying lunch will go to the Cafeteria and find their appropriate line, based on their last name.
- Hot and Cold lunches will be available most days.
- Students will be given a portable covered tray to transport their lunch back to their class where they will eat their lunch.

SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS/TECHNOLOGY

HYBRID

- Students may be asked to provide necessary supplies for the classroom in order to avoid the sharing of supplies and materials.
- Students who have technology provided by MHS will need to transport their device back and forth for the Direct Instruction days. Cases may be provided.

REMOTE

- Students may be asked to pick up supplies or materials from MHS.
- Curbside pick up can be arranged for library materials and supplies necessary for your classes.

STUDENTS ARE EXPECTED TO ADHERE TO THE EXPECTATIONS STATED IN THE PARENT/STUDENT HANDBOOK. ALL SCHOOL RULES APPLY WHETHER REMOTE OR HYBRID.