

# Branchburg Township School District

Opening of School Update

2021-2022 School Year

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Happy to be back at school!

# Enrollment

School	2021-2022	2019-2020	Difference
Whiton	574	615	-41
Stony Brook	289	262	27
BCMS	429	508	-79
District	1,292	1,385	-93

Grade	2019-2020	Grade	2021-2022	Difference
Grade 1	143	Grade 3	148	+ 5
Grade 3	163	Grade 5	157	- 6
Grade 6	176	Grade 8	170	- 6

Withdrawn for Homeschooling Whiton:7, Stony Brook:3, BCMS:1

# Getting Comfortable

- Principals and Guidance Counselors meeting with students and groups of students
- Building tours prior to the start of school
- Personalized letters from teachers
- Admin serving lunch and mingling during lunch periods
- One Book, One School – shared experiences and conversations
- Conversations with classroom teachers to build rapport
- Start With Hello

## Up Next

### Virtual Back to School Nights

- Whiton – September 14, 7:00pm
- Stony Brook – September 21, 7:00pm
- BCMS – September 29, 7:00pm

# Know/Learn

## MAP Assessments – Reading and Math

- BCMS 9/15 and 9/17
- SBS 9/30 and 10/1
- WES 10/4 and 10/5 (grades 2 and 3 only)

Know/Learn

## **NJ DOE Start Strong Assessments**

Language Arts (grades 3 – 8)

Math (grades 3 – 8)

Science (grade 6 only)

# Health Protocols

## Exclusion:

- ❖ COVID-19 Compatible Symptoms/ No Test  
Minimum 10 Days & 24 hours without a fever
- ❖ Positive Test, but asymptomatic  
Minimum 10 Days from positive test result

An alternate diagnosis, such as Strep throat, **WITHOUT** a negative COVID test **does not** eliminate requirement for exclusion.



# Health Protocols

## Exclusion – Close Contacts

- ❖ “High” (orange) Community Transmission level will result in a 14-day exclusion
- ❖ “Moderate” or “Low” (yellow or green) Community Transmission level will result in a 10-day exclusion **if a negative test is received between days 5 and 7.** If COVID-19 test is not administered, exclusion reverts to 14 days

An alternate diagnosis, such as Strep throat, **WITHOUT** a negative COVID test **does not** eliminate requirement for exclusion.

# If Vaccinated

- No quarantine or exclusion
- Should still monitor for symptoms
- Isolate and exclude if symptoms arise

# Current Cases

(positive or exposure)

- Staff: 2
- Students: 4

# The Kids Are Alright!

