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Dear Family of a Duffy Student,

A few reminders and clarifications:

- Monday, April 19, is a Cohort A day. If your child is in Cohort A or B, beginning April 26, when the cohorts are combined, your child will be expected to come into school daily and follow regular school year attendance procedures. When in-person students are absent, they will be required to make up the work missed, not join in virtually on days they are absent. However, if an in-person student needs to be quarantined, they will be able to receive their instruction virtually during their quarantine period. Specials will return to the Monday-Friday schedule.
- At any point after April 26, you can still elect to have your child learn remotely. Simply send a letter or email to the Duffy Office ([epaskoska@wbps.org](mailto:epaskoska@wbps.org)) indicating your decision. Keep in mind, this decision will remain in effect for the rest of the school year.

The following practices remain in place the rest of the school year:

- You will need to confirm your child is healthy each day by completing the online COVID Questionnaire on the Parent Portal before your child enters the school building.
- Everyone in person at the school building needs to continue to wear face coverings following previously set protocols.
- Continue to enter attendance daily if your child is fully remote.

Arrival and dismissal reminders:

- Keep 6 feet apart (exception-family units) and wear face coverings while on school property.
- We will be running an "In Day" arrival until further notice. The playground areas will not be used before or after school.

	Arrival	Dismissal	Entry	Exit
<b>Kindergarten</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	<b>2:50 pm</b>	Duffy Main Entrance	Duffy Main Exit
<b>1<sup>st</sup> &amp; 2<sup>nd</sup> Grades</b>	8:40 am	3:05 pm	Duffy Main Entrance	Duffy Main Exit
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Grade</b>	8:40 am	3:00 pm	Duffy Main Entrance	Board Office Exit
<b>4<sup>th</sup> &amp; 5<sup>th</sup> Grades</b>	8:40 am	3:00 pm	Doors near the Gym	Exit near Gym

Hoping to move forward on April 26,

Ms. Pamela S. Blalock  
Principal