

December 18, 2020

Greetings and Merry Christmas from Atonement!

This email is to provide you with an update from the Atonement Lutheran Board of Education on returning to school and important dates and procedures to look forward to starting in January.

1. The Board of Education voted to approve the return to in-person education at Atonement Lutheran School. 68% of parents wanted the in-person option and we are joyful that we get to serve your students in-person once again. A virtual option is still available for those not comfortable sending their children in-person. Please communicate with your students' homeroom teachers, if you have not already done so, with your plan to return to in-person or remain virtual.
2. Wednesday, January 20 will be the first day in-person instruction takes place for 4K-3rd grades. Tuesday, January 26 will be the first day in-person instruction takes place for 4th-8th grades.
3. Since we will have students remaining virtual, Pick Up/Drop Off (PUDO) days will still take place for families of virtual students. This is the first day of every week. In-person students will not be in the building on these days as it will be used to support students who are virtual and to ensure that the building is clean and safe. In-person students will receive learning materials for that day at the end of every week - there is no need for families of in-person students to pick up or drop off learning packets. The following are scheduled PUDO days where in-person students receive learning at home:
  - Monday, January 4 (All students still virtual this week)
  - Monday, January 11 (All students still virtual this week)
  - Tuesday, January 19 (4th-8th still virtual this week)
  - Monday, January 25
  - Monday, February 1
  - Monday, February 8
  - Tuesday, February 16
  - Monday, February 22
  - Monday, March 1
  - Monday, March 8
  - Monday, March 15
  - Monday, March 22
  - Monday, March 29
  - Monday, April 12
  - Monday, April 19
  - Monday, April 26
  - Tuesday, May 4
  - Monday, May 10
  - Tuesday, May 18
  - Monday, May 24

4. Following Christmas Break, your students' homeroom teachers will reach out to you to schedule a Parent Consultation meeting during the week of January 11-15 concerning expectations for in-person learning or virtual learning. Please make sure to meet with your students' homeroom teachers during that week so you know exactly how your student will receive an education for the remainder of the year and learn how students and staff will be kept safe and healthy.
5. Important dates in January
  - January 4 - Classes resume, PUDO
  - January 8 - MPCP/WPCP Count day, End of Quarter 2
  - January 11 - PUDO
  - January 11-15 - Parent Consultations
  - January 18 - NO SCHOOL - Martin Luther King Jr. Day
  - January 19 - PUDO
  - January 20 - First Day of In-Person learning for 4K-3rd
  - January 25 - PUDO
  - January 26 - First day of In-Person learning for 4th-8th
6. Uniform expectations will be in place as stated in the Atonement Family Handbook. The one change to uniform expectations are shoes. We understand that those will be the most difficult to find at this time, so the expectation for shoes has been changed to shoes with laces or canvas/leather casual shoes. No boots are allowed to be worn in classrooms - please provide an extra pair of inside shoes if students wear boots.

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