

Dedham Public Schools

DPS Transition to Full In-Person Learning

Superintendent Update to School Committee March 17, 2021



Timeline

- BESE vote to eliminate Remote Learning for Structured Learning Time on Friday, 3-5-21
- DESE Guidance released on Tuesday, 3-9-21
- DESE Commissioner's call with Superintendents on Wed.
 3-10-21
- Survey to all families on Wednesday, 3-10-21
- Building Tours Thursday, 3-11 through Tuesday, 3-16
- Principals & Central office planning meetings on :
 - Friday, 3-12
 - Monday, 3-15
 - o Tuesday, 3-16

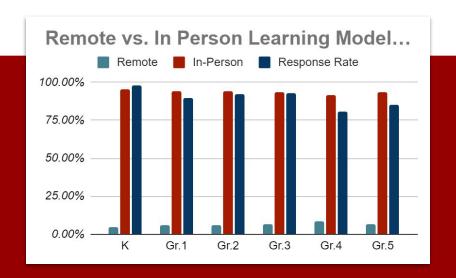
Student / Family Surveys



DPS Return to In-Person Learning Family Survey

- Sent to all K-12 Families on Wednesday, March 10
- Purpose = determining which students will choose in person or full remote
- 1,908 responses as of 11:30 AM today

What We've Heard So Far:



	K	Gr.1	Gr.2	Gr.3	Gr.4	Gr.5
Remote	4.46%	5.64%	6.02%	6.29%	8.55%	6.25%
In-Person	95.54%	94.36%	93.98%	93.71%	91.45%	93.75%
Response Rate	98.06%	89.86%	92.22%	92.98%	80.42%	85.21%

	Gr.6	Gr.7	Gr.8
Remote	9.52%	9.88%	12.17%
In-Person	90.48%	90.12%	87.83%
Response Rate	83.58%	83.90%	77.46%



Logistics

- Classroom space will require reducing to 3 feet of distancing
- Breakfast/lunch will require at least 6 feet of distancing
- Transportation Guidance updated by DESE on 2/11/21
- Desks/materials full district inventory and redeployment/purchasing/delivery
- Remote Classroom Staffing
- Special Education Services
- "Specials" and electives scheduling (ex: instrumental music)
- Student/Staff schedules and possible adjustments/adaptations

Current Thinking



- Full in person for all K-5 students as of Monday, April 5
- Full in person for all Gr. 6-8 students as of Monday, April 26
- Gr. 9-12 return date still to be determined
- Eliminate teacher simultaneous in-person + remote teaching

Primary Challenges



- Impact bargaining
- Remote Only instructors recruitment, selection, training
- Inclement weather breakfast/lunch different at each school
- Learning consistency in the event of student quarantine
- Continued enforcement of all COVID protocols

Questions?