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Highlights

- Mr. Folk gave the following updates on the Return to School preparation activities:
 - The Return to School information on the PTO website has been fully updated in both English and Spanish. Mr. Folk will send out ConnectEd that refers to back to school info on the PTO page Friday and Sunday nights. Katie recommended that in his ConnectEd message, Mr. Folk stressed that parents will not be able to bring their children lunch.
 - All teachers have returned to campus with the exception of two (see notes below). Teachers have prepared their classrooms with established seating charts for social distancing and contact tracing.
 - Students transitioned to their new daily schedules on Thursday. Each class now consists of 40 minutes teaching instruction, 35 minutes asynchronous work, which is intended to be used by remote students as a break from the screen. Teachers will use the 35 minute time with their in-person students for review, answering questions and completing make-up work.
 - The cafeteria, which will primarily be used for breakfast, has also been set up to allow for social distancing, with 24 students allowed in there at a time. Breakfast and lunch will be free (cafeteria limited on what is available - no chips or dessert).
 - Students will go through the screening process before entering the building. Staff will be present to oversee screening at the front carpool line, the back carpool line and at the bus lot. Bus riders and walkers will be sent into the 7th grade building at the middle entrance or to the upper patio entrance. We will not allow students to enter via the back Chorus entrance or via the gym entrance. Mr. Folk will have staff present to guide kids to the appropriate entrances. If a parent hasn't done the screener prior to arriving on campus, the staff will have laminated cards with the screening questions that they can use. The QR code for the screener website will also be posted. Students will not be allowed to get out of the car until screening questions are answered and their temperature is taken. Once they are cleared to go into the building, students will receive a dot on their hand. The dot is very washable. Mr. Folk expects it will take some time to get



used to the new routine and asks that parents remain patient with the process.

Denise recommended that the board watch the 6th grade orientation video to get a sense of how the check in process will work.

- Question from Katie - at MPHS, her 10th grader was told that there are twice as many kids in group A as in group B and group C. Mr. Folk responded that our numbers are evenly split amongst the three groups with 327 students attending in person each week.
- **Bathroom breaks:** Bathroom breaks are scheduled during every class, not during transition times. If a student has an emergency, teachers have been told it's ok to excuse them.
- **FIT:** FIT time will be spent walking the track using outside lanes (six feet apart).
- **Masks:** Students are required to wear their masks at all times, even during FIT. They will be able to take them off during lunch and can take a break in the hallway, by themselves, as needed.
- **Attendance policy:** Students attending in person will be marked Present On Site. Students attending remotely will be marked Present Off Site. If a student is not present at all, they will be marked Absent.
- **Volunteers:** CMS district will still not let volunteers into the buildings. Mr. Folk will continue to advocate for permission to allow volunteers on campus as soon as possible.
- **Sixth grade staffing update:** Mr. Shiflet, one of the Social Studies teachers, will be on leave for a period of time. His students will be taught by Ms. Chapman and Ms. Mobley. Ms. Ballenger, an ELA teacher, will be working remotely and therefore will teach the remote students while the other ELA teachers will take the in-person students. This means some students will have a different remote teacher for a period of time. This is a short term situation and the original teacher will still be accountable for grading their students' assignments. Mr. Folk is crafting a general message that the teachers can send out to just their parents regarding the situation.
- Mr. Folk thanked the board for providing the staff lunch today and for the Target gift cards for teachers.
- **End of Year Testing:** Donna asked if a decision has been made yet regarding End of Year testing. Mr. Folk responded that as of right now, testing is still scheduled but we are not sure yet how it will be executed. The decision will come from the state legislature.



- Mr. Folk asked the board to share any questions, concerns or feedback we hear from the larger population with him.

Next Steps

- No follow up items were identified.