

# Brunswick City School District

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Dear Brunswick Families,

I hope you all had a nice weekend. I wanted to share with you the options your family will have for the second semester, which will begin on Monday, February 1, 2021. We know that many families want to continue with face-to-face instruction, while others would prefer to keep their children at home. We asked that you share your feedback about the remote learning environment. We used that feedback to design the second semester with your needs in mind. As with the first semester, you will have three options: face-to-face learning, the Brunswick Virtual Academy, or Lincoln Learning (for students in k-8).

For the most part, the Brunswick Virtual Academy (the Brunswick curriculum taught by Brunswick teachers) is very similar to the first semester. One change to note is that 3rd grade will now be a full day instead of an AM/PM split. We did this to provide more instructional minutes for our third grades. Additionally, we will now be offering an opportunity for k-5 students to access physical education, art and music. Teachers will be posting weekly activities for students to voluntarily participate in. Nothing will be submitted for a grade in physical education, art and music at the elementary level.

Lincoln Learning (the asynchronous, third party curriculum) will also be available for our k-8 students. As a reminder, this is a self-pace curriculum without any live instruction. Students move through the curriculum at their pace and learn through reading and watching instructional videos. The number of classes a student can take are limited.

If you wish to have your child participate in the Brunswick Virtual Academy or Lincoln Learning, [please click here to register](#). If you want your child to return to face-to-face instruction, you do not need to fill out the form. **You must complete the form by Sunday, January 10th, if you want your child in the Brunswick Virtual Academy or Lincoln Learning.** We will be hosting a virtual Town Hall on Wednesday, January 6th, from 6:30-7:30 to review the schedule and answer any questions you may have. We will be sending the link to the Town Hall later in the week.

Obviously, the enrollment in the Brunswick Virtual Academy will have an impact on elementary staffing. Just like in the fall, we might have to adjust rosters in order for us to accommodate these movements. We will do all that we can so that students remain with the same teacher for the second semester, but again, depending on enrollment, changes may need to occur. In other words, at the elementary level, your child might have a different teacher for the second semester.

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Below, please find an outline of the Brunswick Virtual Academy schedule:

<b>Brunswick Virtual Academy 2nd Semester Schedule</b>			
<b>Grades k-2</b>	<b>Grade 3</b>	<b>Grades 4-5</b>	<b>Grades 6-12</b>
<p>No change to the current Brunswick Virtual Academy schedule. Students will still be in AM/PM classes on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. Wednesdays will be reserved for targeted interventions.</p>	<p>The schedule will change to provide more instructional minutes. As a result, class size will increase.</p> <p>Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays:                      9:00-11:30 ELA Block                      11:30-12:30 Lunch &amp; Teacher Planning                      12:30-2:00 Math Block</p> <p>***Science and Social Studies will continue to be embedded in the blocks.</p> <p>Wednesdays will be reserved for targeted interventions.</p>	<p>No change to the current Brunswick Virtual Academy schedule. Students will still participate in 3, 75-minute blocks (ELA, Math and Science/ Social Studies).</p>	<p>Brunswick Virtual Academy students will live-stream into their classes everyday.</p>
<p>We also had many parents request access to special classes (art, music, physical education) for k-5 Brunswick Virtual Academy students. Parents wanted these to be optional, ungraded and exploratory in nature. We will have our teachers post a weekly opportunity for each grade level in these classes so students can participate if they wish.</p>			
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Thank you,

Michael Mayell, Superintendent