School Leadership Team October 21, 2020

On the Agenda

SUMMARY OF BLENDED INSTRUCTION

- Updates
- Opting into Blended Learning

CALENDAR OVERVIEW

Important dates

UPDATES ON SAFETY DRILLS

Plan and coordination

NEXT STEPS

- Accessing report cards
- Looking at MP 1 data
- Staging interventions

Taking place tonight at 6pm.



Updates on Blended Learning



- 86% of our students are fully remote.
- Things are beginning to settle:
 - Teacher leaders, teacher teams and departments have been meeting around student needs, responsive teaching and parent outreach.
- The first marking period ended on Tuesday 10/20



* Today* Responding to Possible COVID-19 Case

- At approximately 11:35 am, a staff member reported possible COVID-like symptoms to an administrator.
- BRT member escorted the individual out of the building (wearing full PPE.)
- BRT member asked the individual with symptoms which classrooms she had been in today. Individual reported that she did not have contact with students today.
- BRT members notified staff working in those rooms to remove their belongings.
- Custodians were notified to close and deep clean those rooms as well as wipe down the hallway work counter.
- BRT member sent the list of DOE priority covid testing sites to the individual, advising them to prepare to work from home tomorrow.



Today Responding to Possible COVID-19 Case

- We called the Situation Room for a case number and next steps.
- An EIC report was filed in prep for an OORS report.
- Individual guidelines for returning to the building to the individual was sent to the individual.
- We will continue to touch base with the individual to see how they are feeling and advise on next steps.

Staff and families were sent a letter providing an overview of these steps.



In-School Covid Testing Tomorrow

- East-West and IS 237 have been selected for COVID testing tomorrow from 8:30 AM to 10:30 AM.
- We will be given a list of staff and students to be tested in the morning based on submitted consent forms.
- Testing will take place in the large gymnasium, with the areas for each school divided by the retractable wall. All protocols about social distancing, mask wearing, and hygiene will be followed.
- Students will be escorted to and from the gym by designated staff members.
- Results will be shared with individuals directly within two days.

Electronic Devices SY20-21

Electronic Device update

- DOE has purchased 100,000 additional IPAD devices for kids in need
- Students are expected to bring their devices from home and use them in school for instruction. The school does not have enough to give them in the building and one for home use.
- Currently 17 students out of about 678 need an electronic device at our school.
- Broken devices should be brought to the attention of our Computer Tech Team mgr. Mr. Bailey. <u>Please email all computer issues to: Kbailey@ewsis.org</u>
- Any parent that needs a new device for their child should apply for one by clicking on this link:

https://coronavirus.schools.nyc/RemoteLearningDevices



Opting into Blended

As of now we have this <u>DOE</u> doc from the start of the school year offering that families will be able to opt into Blended Learning starting next week.

Updates on what this will look like are forthcoming. Below is a possible timeline for when families will be able to opt back into blended learning on a quarterly basis.

Families can opt into 100% remote learning at any time using the Learning Preference online form

Dates	Task
First Day of School – November 13	Quarter 1
October 26 – 30	Blended Learning Opt-In Window for Quarter 2
Week of November 2	Schools program students newly opted in to Blended Learning
Week of November 9	Schools inform students newly opted in to Blended Learning of their schedule
Monday, November 16	Quarter 2 Begins
November 16 – January 29	Quarter 2



November 3, 2020 Election Day: Fully Remote Instructional Day for Students

- November 11, Veterans Day: School Closed
- November 12-13: Virtual Parent-Teacher Conferences
- November 13: Students dismissed three hours early

Check the East-West Website for calendar updates

Blending Learning Calendar: Sept/Oct/ Nov						
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
Week 2	Oct 19 - Group B (Grades 8-10)		Oct 21 - Group A (Grades 11-12)	•	Oct 23 - Group C (Grades 6-7)	
Week 3		Oct 27 - Group A (Grades 11-12)			Oct 30 - Group C (Grades 6-7)	
Week 1	Nov 2- Group A (Grades 11-12)	Nov. 3 Election Day - FULL REMOTE DAY	Nov 4 - Group A (Grades 11-12)	Nov 5 - Group B (Grades 8-10)	Nov 6 - Group C (Grades 6-7)	
Week 2	Nov 9 - Group B (Grades 8-10)	Nov 10 - Group C (Grades 6-7)	Nov 11 - Veterans Day (School Closed)		Nov 13 - Group C (Grades 6-7)	
Week 3		Nov 17 - Group A (Grades 11-12)			Nov 20 - Group C (Grades 6-7)	



Safety drills will begin this week. These include evacuation drills (fire drills) and soft lockdown drills. There are changes to the regular procedures:

- Each type of drill will be repeated separately for A-day group, B-day group, and C-day group.
- Each drill will be conducted building-wide (IS 237 and East-West, all 4 floors.)

Changes to Evacuation Drills

- Teachers that are teaching a remote class need to leave the building as well. If you happen to be teaching a remote class, please explain to the students that you will return in 10 minutes.
- Each classroom should have green/red assembly cards. If you are escorting students out of the building, be sure to grab an assembly card.
- Staff who are not escorting students will be assigned to assist with checking assembly cards, stopping traffic, etc.
- If an evacuation drill occurs during period 5, students should leave their food behind and wear their masks.

Changes to Soft Lockdown Drills

- Teachers that are teaching a remote class need to participate in the drill. The lesson stops, turn the lights off, and lock or barricade the door.
- Students should stay in their seats (instead of huddling on the floor as in previous years.)



Looking At MP 1 Data



- Developing opportunities for more social emotional learning (SEL).
- Planning professional learning for staff to improve instructional access for students.
- Staging interventions including AIS and at-risk services.



Any questions?

Thanks!

Feel free to reach out to us with any questions or concerns!