

# Brookfield Central High School Update In-Person Learners: September 21, 2020

#### Greetings-

Today was one of our 6 staff professional development days for the 2020/2021 school year. Today's work was devoted to advancing our collective knowledge base around ZOOM, Canvas, and collaborating within our departments to help us continue the advancement of the teaching and learning experience for our staff and students. I am very proud of the work of the staff of BC. They are wholeheartedly committed to the students of BC and to creating a quality educational experience and are constantly learning and working on enhancing that experience. This is a lengthy message, thank you in advance for reading it in its entirety.

### **New Information**

#### • Attendance Procedures

o In addition to calling the BC attendance phone line (262-785-3994), families can also send an email to **BCHSattendance@elmbrookschools.org** to report an absence to school. When reporting an absence, please provide the student's name and reason for the absence. If they are missing school due to illness, it will be important to let us know ALL of your child's symptoms and any physician confirmed diagnosis such as COVID-19. It will also be important to know if your child is staying home because they have been exposed to someone who has tested positive for COVID-19.

Please note that if a student is an in-person learner, they must be on-campus to be considered present.

• **Stay Safe to Stay Open Reminders** Overall, the staff and students have been doing an outstanding job with the safety procedures, but we are going to do a weekly reminder for the areas that are the easiest to fall back on to our "normal habits". Click here for the slide deck.

## **Topics in the Reminders**

- Morning Health Screening
- Masks
- ID and Lanyards
- Phones 20/21
- Washing Hands and Hand Sanitizer
- Mask Breaks
- Lunch Procedures

#### • Guidelines for Personal Appearance from Our Handbook

#### Three Areas of Focus. Please review the areas below.

- Elmbrook students and parents have the responsibility of exercising good judgment in maintaining an atmosphere for positive education. The school maintains the right to regulate dress or grooming when the student's appearance presents a danger to health or safety, creates a disruption to the school and its instructional program, or causes an excessive maintenance problem. Failure to comply with these guidelines could lead to disciplinary action by the school.
  - 1. **Health and Safety** In the event that a governmental agency declares a public health emergency due to a communicable disease, face masks are required to be worn by every individual, on the bus and in all areas of district property to combat the uncontrolled spread of the disease. A face mask means a piece of cloth or other material that is worn to cover the nose and mouth completely. The face mask shall not display tobacco, drugs, alcohol, or vulgar language or pictures, or that advocates other violations of school rules or the law. If there is a medical reason a student cannot wear a mask, they will be required to provide medical documentation to the school nurse.
  - 2. **Insufficient Coverage** Shirts/blouses, which expose the waist, chest, and back, are not appropriate school attire. Short shorts, short skirts, tube tops, negligee like garments, and ripped clothing may also pose a violation if they do not provide sufficient coverage. Shirts/blouses/tops must have two straps and undergarments should not be exposed on any part of the body.
  - 3. **Hats and hoods** Hats and hoods are not to be worn inside by students during the school day.

#### The PSAT/NMSQT

o Juniors who registered for the PSAT with last names A-L will take it on October 14th. Juniors with last names M-Z will take it on October 29th. Click <a href="here">here</a> for the information. All testing will be done on site at the high schools. We have a limited number of extra tests for each day. Please reach out to <a href="here">Mrs. Leah Devine</a> if you are interested in taking the PSAT.

#### • Elmbrook's Post Secondary Experience September 2020

O Historically, the Elmbrook School District has hosted a yearly in-person event in September that has provided hundreds of our families with timely information regarding post-secondary options. We are shifting to a virtual format this year. Unlike previous years when the event was held on one scheduled night, families will have access to speaker videos and presentations indefinitely to view at a time of convenience. Click <a href="here">here</a> for the presentation. Thank you to BC Counselor, Mrs. Premo and BE Counselor, Mrs. McKenna for their work in organizing this experience.

## BC Athletics Fall Spectator Information

• Click here for our fall home event 2020 sports spectator regulations.

#### • 1st Term Parent-Teacher Conferences

 Our 1st Term Parent-Teacher Conferences will take place on Wednesday, October 7th from 4pm-8pm. The individual conferences will be virtual. More information regarding the conferences will be forthcoming.

## **Recurring Information**

- School starts (in your Block 1 classroom) at 7:55am. We are seeing a lot more timeliness than in past years. Let's keep it up!
- 1st Block Reflection Prompts
  - Click here for the prompts for the week of September 22-25.
- Charge your Chromebook nightly. If you are having trouble with your Chromebook, please bring it to the BC Library.
- If parents/guardians need to connect with a teacher, please consider emailing rather than calling. If a phone call is absolutely necessary, please email the teacher to request a phone call. Many teachers are different classroom spaces this year and they do not have access to their voicemail.

Please reach to us if you are in need of anything. Together we will stay safe to stay open. Feel free to email me or call or text me at 262-794-6070.

Thanks and take care-

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#### Past Updates

- September 1, 2020 Update September 7, 2020 Update
- September 12, 2020 Update