

Restore BPS101 Wednesday Messenger July 15, 2020:

Good afternoon BPS101 Families, Students, and Staff, [\(Spanish\)](#)

This is “choice week” for BPS101 families. The purpose of “choice week” is to help us determine how many students will be learning remotely this fall. It is important for families to make this decision now so that we have enough time to rearrange student and staff schedules to maximize student preferences and learning opportunities.

As of this morning, 34% of the District population has made their choice, how about you?

What happens if you don’t make your choice by Sunday? The District will assume you want in-person learning for your students. So, please make sure we have your choice.

Waiting to get more answers before you make your choice? The FAQ section of the [Restore BPS101](#) page is being updated each day. So, please check back often for new information

Here is some additional information:

- [In-Person Learning Guide \(DRAFT\)](#) - published by the Operations Committee. Contains categories of information from food service, transportation, cleaning, social distancing, lockers, and much more. It will continue to be updated as information changes and to ensure we have the best possible plan.
- [Remote 2.0 Plan \(DRAFT\)](#) - contains more detailed information on Remote Learning including example schedules, attendance, grading, and teacher availability. As much as we would like to send a finalized document, there will be revisions based on the feedback that we are still receiving from many stakeholder groups. Even after remote learning begins, it will be continuously monitored and updated to improve the experiences for students, families and staff.

When can I expect to hear teacher assignments? This year, teacher assignments will be delayed but should be released by the first week of August. Please understand that we need this additional time to get all of the classes scheduled once we know how many students have chosen the remote learning option.

Is there more information for the Early Childhood and Special Services families? Yes! Kari Ruh, Director of Student Services, has created a [FAQ document](#) just for this population of students. She has also recorded a [video](#) with great information as well. So please take a look at these new resources.

In general, as we prepare for the start of the school year, we are asking families to keep their personal safety as a top priority. If we are going to return to school safely, one major component of that is the health of the students when they return to in-person learning. Here is a great page on the [CDC website](#) that talks about how to keep children healthy during the COVID-19

outbreak. Major topics include handwashing, wearing a mask, and keeping kids active, especially outdoors.

Our plans are in constant revision due to many factors--including State requirements, family choices, and staff/community feedback. Accordingly, we must make our decisions based upon the best information that we have available now, knowing that many details will be determined later. Current information can be found on the [Restore BPS101](#) page.

For families who have not made their decision, you may log into [PowerSchool](#) and submit your choice now. To accommodate your preferences, please make your selection no later than Sunday, July 19th.

Please note:

Only parents/guardians can access the selection page in [PowerSchool](#), and a choice must be submitted for each child. A web browser (not the PowerSchool app) is required. Email help@bps101.net for assistance.

Thank you for your time and patience.
Always Learning, Always Growing.

-Restore BPS101 Teams