Amber Town Hall: Hybrid Families
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Our Commitment

● Meet our mission: *to provide our students with an academically rigorous and well-rounded education, along with strong character development, enabling them to prosper in future endeavors.*

● The health and safety of our students, faculty and staff is paramount

● We are beginning hybrid in-person instruction in two phases. This allows us to learn and implement all the new and necessary hybrid safety procedures. With our two-phased plan, we will continue to honor our commitment to provide a safe learning environment for our Amber community.
# Hybrid Return Timeline

## March 2021

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Hybrid Learning

- Hybrid learning is an educational model where students attend class in-person, and virtually. Educators teach remote and in-person students at the same time using tools like ZOOM and other software.

- Children will learn both in school and at home on alternating weeks.

- Children will continue to use technology and be a part of a classroom community.
## Sample Hybrid School Day

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<td>Science/Social Studies</td>
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Arrival

• Families will have to complete a pre-arrival screening form every morning prior to arriving at school.

• Arrival will be staggered following the schedule below:
  ○ 7:45 - 7:55 AM - 1st & 3rd
  ○ 8:00 - 8:10 AM - 2nd & 5th
  ○ 8:15 - 8:30 AM - 4th & Kindergarten

• Parents must stay with children until their temperature is taken.
• Parents will **not be allowed** to enter the building.
• Early arrival is **NOT** available.
Dismissal

- Monday - Wednesday dismissal will be staggered following the schedule below:
  - 2:30 PM - 2:40 PM - 1st & 3rd
  - 2:45 PM - 2:55 PM - 2nd & 5th
  - 3:00 PM - 3:10 PM - 4th & Kindergarten

- Families are required to bring ID in order to pick up their student.
- Students will be called down to their dismissal exit once parent ID is checked.
- Families will not be allowed to enter the building.
- Families who are late to their dismissal time will have to wait until Late Pick-Up which begins at 3:15 PM.

- Thursday’s will be HALF DAY so dismissal will be staggered following the schedule below:
  - 12:30 PM - 12:40 PM - 1st & 3rd
  - 12:45 PM - 12:55 PM - 2nd & 5th
  - 1:00 PM - 1:10 PM - 4th & Kindergarten
Breakfast

- Breakfast will be provided everyday and is available to all students.

- Breakfast ends at 8:30 AM. Students must arrive no later than 8:20 AM in order to be offered breakfast.

- Students can bring their own breakfast as long as the Wellness Policy guidelines are followed.

- Breakfast will be served in the classroom.

- Students will be permitted to remove their masks while eating breakfast.
Lunch

- Students will have 30 minutes to eat lunch in the classroom.

- Students will only be allowed to take off their masks while they are eating during lunch times.

- Students may still bring their own lunch to school as long as it follows the guidelines of the Wellness Policy.

- Students are encouraged to bring a water bottle each day as water fountains will not be available.

- Thursday’s students will receive a bagged lunch from their teacher to take given it is a half day.
Recess

- Recess will take place indoors and outdoors.
  - Classes will be scheduled to go out 2x during the week.
  - Outdoor recess will consist of nature walks.
  - Indoor recess will take place in the classroom.

- Kindergarten students will have recess before lunch.
- Grades 1-5 students will have recess after lunch.

- Students will play structured, socially distanced games.
- Students will be required to wear their masks during all recess activities/games.
- Students will walk in single file, socially distanced lines.
- Students will remain with their class/POD at all times.
Uniform/Masks

**Amber Uniform Policy** please be reminded that all Amber Stars should wear their Amber uniform.

- Navy Long pants/skirt
- Long sleeved light blue oxford collared shirt with Amber logo embroidered on left hand side
- Navy sweater with Amber logo embroidered on left hand side
- Navy or black socks /stockings
- Solid Navy or Solid Black shoes/sneakers (no other colors)
- Solid Navy cross tie for girls
- Solid Navy tie for boys

**GYM Uniform**
- Solid short sleeve light blue t-shirt with Amber logo silk screened on left hand side or old Amber T-shirt
- Students may wear a white long sleeve shirt under their Amber gym shirt
- Navy sweatpants with or without the logo

- Navy shorts/skirt/skort
- Short sleeved light blue oxford collared shirt with Amber logo embroidered on left hand side
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**All Amber HYBRID Stars** will be provided with 4 reusable Amber masks to be worn while in school. We also will have disposable masks available for emergencies.
Hybrid Attendance

- All hybrid students are expected to attend “In-Person” learning Monday - Thursday on the week their POD is assigned.

- Your child will not participate in remote learning on the weeks he/she is assigned to be “In-Person”.

- Should an absence arise, please follow our Attendance Protocol that requires an email to kboperations@ambercharter.org.
School Supplies

- All students will be provided with individual school supplies for them to use (pencils, erasers, crayons, manipulatives, etc.).
- Students will be provided with a chromebook to use in school during their in-person hybrid days.
- A list of workbooks students will need to bring from home to school will be provided to families by grade in the coming weeks.
- Students will be provided with individual headphones to use in the classroom.
Student Testing
Mirimus Labs

Mirimus has innovated COVID-19 PCR surveillance testing with SalivaClear, a saliva-based approach to monitor and detect infection in groups of people that we call pools.
Student Testing

● 100% of all Hybrid Students will be tested throughout the month of March

● Please note that the week prior to your child’s start for Hybrid Learning, **they will be required** to come to Amber KB to receive a COVID-19 test.

● Testing will always occur on the **Thursday** before your child attends “In Person” learning. (for example: Phase 1 Hybrid Pod A students will be tested on Feb. 25th in order to begin on March 1st)

● You will receive a reminder for your child’s COVID-19 testing via Parent Square, (1:30pm - 4:15pm).

● Testing will be supervised and supported by a member of Amber Staff and the Parent/Guardian present.
Administration of Test
Closure Criteria

CLASS POD Closure:

- If a positive case is identified in your child's assigned CLASS POD — CLASS POD is closed.
- Once contact tracing is conducted and it is determined safe we will reopen the closed CLASS POD.

School Closure:

- If Amber has two positive unlinked cases in different CLASS PODS within the same week. — Amber Kingsbridge will close.
- Once contact tracing is conducted and it is determined safe we will reopen the school.
- Students will participate in remote learning should any closures occur.
Classroom/Hallways
The After School Program for this school year will **NOT** be available.

After School will be available for next school year.
Health & Safety Precautions

- **Health and Safety Precautions: Mid-Winter Break, February 15-19:** If you are considering traveling this week, please review and adhere to the [NYS COVID-19 Travel Advisory](#), which states that for any travel beyond states contingent with NYS, you must get tested 3 days before returning to NYS and 4 days after returning to NYS. Both tests results must be negative for you to avoid a mandatory 10 day quarantine.
QUESTIONS?

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