

## WEEKLY FAMILY UPDATE – MARCH 10, 2021

Dear North Marion families,

This week marked the return to in person school for some of our elementary Hybrid students! It was wonderful to have the energy of the students back in the buildings and we look forward to having more students return in the coming weeks. Our 2nd and 3rd grade Hybrid students are excited to be at school this week and are ready to learn. They are doing great with the health and safety protocols in place. A big shout out to our Elementary staff and the NM PTO for creating a fun, welcoming environment for the students to return to!

As you may know, Governor Kate Brown ordered that schools must offer some in-person instruction for grades K-5 by the week of March 29 and for grades 6-12 by the week of April 19. We are happy that our start dates for all grades were already in alignment with the governor's order. Our last group of elementary hybrid students will come on campus the week of March 29th and our students in grades 6-12 will begin their Hybrid program the week of April 6th. Comprehensive Distance Learning (CDL) will still be an option for those families who choose that learning model for their students. Thank you for doing your part in keeping our community safe and healthy!

Last week we shared the many important and required topics for staff to be trained on as we transition to hybrid learning. An additional topic that all staff will have training on is Youth Suicide: Awareness, Prevention and Postvention. This online training will help our staff support students at all levels and is an important part of the North Marion School District Suicide Prevention Plan. Please reach out to your child's school counselor if you have any questions or concerns.

### **ELEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**For Kindergarten, 1st, 4th and 5th grade students,** information about your child's placement, including teacher and bus times, was mailed last week. Please contact your child's school if you have not yet received this important information.

**For 1st, 4th, and 5th grade students,** Hybrid Learning begins on Tuesday, March 16th.

- **Students attend on-campus Tuesday - Friday**
- **Morning** session is **8:40 am- 11:15 am**
- **Afternoon** session is **12:55 pm - 3:30 pm.**
- No meals will be served during school. Please have your child eat prior to attending their Hybrid session. Breakfast and lunch meals are available for delivery to families each Monday. If you would like to sign up for meal delivery service please contact Lori Gamboa, Director of Nutrition Services, at (503) 678-7108 or [lori.gamboa@nmarion.k12.or.us](mailto:lori.gamboa@nmarion.k12.or.us). You may also fill out our online form: <https://forms.gle/GzXmR7V8bcvawBBP9>
- Asynchronous (online) learning activities will occur on Mondays and when your child is not on campus. This includes specials (PE/Music/Technology)! Please check the specific schedule for your child to see what days and times they have specials.
- Please read the [Parent Tips - Planning & Preparation for School document](#)

**For 1st grade Hybrid students:**

- Your child will NOT need to bring in any new school supplies.
  - Keep Chromebooks at home for independent learning time
- Items to return to the school are:
  - Wonders Reading Textbooks

**For 3rd, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5th grade Hybrid students:**

- We invite your child to bring the linked [school supplies](#). Please label supplies with your child's name. *If any supplies cannot or are not provided by the family we will provide supplies for students.*
  - Keep Chromebooks at home for independent learning time
- Items to return to the school are:
  - Both Wonders Reading Textbooks
  - i-Ready Math Book
  - Math toolkit (3rd and 4th grade only)
  - Whiteboard (3rd and 4th grade only)

**Kindergarten Getting To Know You Appointments:** Please [sign your child up](#) to come meet their teacher as we transition to HYBRID LEARNING. If you are remaining in CDL, please [sign up](#) for a virtual meeting with your teacher. <https://signup.com/go/SoWoeHU>

**Kindergarten Hybrid learning begins** on Tuesday, March 30th.

**[MIDDLE SCHOOL INFORMATION:](#) (Please click on this link for more information)**

**Limited In-Person Instruction (LIPI)** at the Middle School will end on Friday, March 12th as we prepare to move to the Hybrid model.

**Hybrid/CDL Learning Update:**

A packet will be mailed home on March 18th. Included in this packet will be:

- A Student/Family Handbook describing Hybrid learning
- A [bell schedule](#) for Hybrid/CDL
- A student schedule for Trimester 3
- [A COVID-19 test permission form](#) (Hybrid only)

**Week of March 30th through April 2nd:**

- Students will attend live Homeroom daily from 9:00am to 9:30am. Homeroom teachers will orient students on the asynchronous learning for the day consisting of: Social-emotional learning; college and career readiness; forecasting; orientation videos for those in hybrid; and i-Ready lessons.
- Teachers will prepare for the new Hybrid/CDL simultaneous instruction model. They will also design lesson plans adhering to the model, review new IEP/504 student cases to ensure compliance, and receive professional development on safety and implementation of new technology. Additionally, many teachers had to change their classroom location due to cohorting, so they will also have time to set-up their rooms safely.

**Middle School Virtual Family/Student Night:**

**What:** The middle school principals will host a virtual night for those in the hybrid program to answer questions

**When:** Monday, April 5th from 6:00-7:00 pm. To join the Zoom Meeting use this link.  
<https://zoom.us/j/91687182289?pwd=dFhwbU5PWtZHNlZELzdpeEl3RHNaZz09>

*Meeting ID:* 916 8718 2289

*Passcode:* 959878

You can also call in using (US) +1 475-441-4538 PIN: 486 951 421#

**Sports Update:** North Marion Middle School and District believes athletics are an important component to a well-rounded educational experience for students who enjoy sports. Offering a safe, barrier-free opportunity for all students to participate is essential. Physical safety along with growth and development of individual and team traits including self-discipline, respect for others at all times, and leadership are our main objectives. The programs offered at the middle school this year will continue to be responsive to guidelines and circumstances as they arise, while simultaneously offering an opportunity for student-athletes to participate in a safe and connected school-sponsored athletic program. Please click [HERE](#) for more information.

### **HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION: (Please click on this link for more information)**

**Limited In-Person Instruction (LIPI)** at the High School will end on Thursday, March 18th as we prepare to move to the Hybrid model.

#### **Hybrid Update:**

For the week of March 30th - April 2nd, students will be participating in three 30 min. classes per day. During these sessions students will receive important information about safety protocols, SEL lessons, and class expectations.

#### Tuesday (3/30) and Thursday (4/1)

- 8:30 - 9:00 am - Advisory - "Live" Virtual (recorded)
- 9:05 - 9:35 am - 1st Period - "Live" Virtual (recorded)
- 9:40 - 10:10 am - 2nd Period - "Live" Virtual (recorded)

#### Wednesday (3/31) and Friday (4/2)

- 8:30 - 9:00 am - Advisory - "Live" Virtual (recorded)
- 9:05 - 9:35 am - 3rd Period - "Live" Virtual (recorded)
- 9:40 - 10:10 am - 4th Period - "Live" Virtual (recorded)

An informational packet will be sent home prior to spring break with information on schedules, cohort placement, school map, lunch assignments, and more.

#### **IMPORTANT DATES:**

- **High School Finals** - March 17th and 18th  
- Schedule linked [HERE](#)
- **End of Trimester 2 (Early Release)** - March 18th
  - K-5 CDL students end at 11:45 am
  - 1st-5th grade Hybrid Cohort A attends on-campus 8:40-11:15 am
  - 1st-5th grade Hybrid Cohort B completes at home learning activities 8:40-11:15 am

- 6th-8th grade students follow adjusted schedule linked [HERE](#). School is from 9 am - 12:30 pm.
- 9th-12th grade students follow adjusted schedule linked [HERE](#). School is from 9 am - 12:30 pm.
- **Grading Day** - March 19th
  - No School for all students
- **Spring Break** - March 22nd-26th
- **OPTIONAL Spring Pictures for K-12 Students** - April 5th: 9 am-1 pm and 2 pm-6 pm by appointment in the High School Commons. Parents will sign up for a slot online. All COVID-19 safety protocols will be followed. No retakes will be taken. *More information about how to sign up will be coming!*

**TEXT ALERTS:** If you would like to sign up for TEXT alerts from the district/your child's school please text the word YES to 67587.

We are grateful for all you are doing to support your child's learning at North Marion School District. Please reach out to your child's school if you have any questions.

We are in this together, stay safe and healthy!