

## Parent-Family Weekly Update March 17, 2021

Dear North Marion Families,

It has been another great start for Hybrid students in our elementary schools! On Tuesday we welcomed back 1st, 4th, and 5th grade students to in person learning. We are so impressed with how well students are doing with learning the new health and safety protocols. It is wonderful to hear the laughter on the playground and see learning in the classrooms!

Next week is Spring Break and we hope that your family is able to recharge and students will be ready for the final trimester of the 2020-2021 school year. If there is anything you need, please reach out to your child's school.

### UPDATES:

#### Spring Break meal distribution

Grab & Go Meal Service on **MONDAY, March 22nd ONLY!**

- North Marion Middle School Bus Lane from 10:00 am - 12:00 pm
- Rivenes Park, Hubbard from 10:30 am - 11:00 am
  - Seven (7) day's worth of meals will be provided.
  - There will be no meal deliveries during Spring Break.
  - Deliveries will resume on Monday, March 29th.

#### ODE Mental Health Resources

While there will be anxiety, the kids are excited and happy to be back. Some students have experienced trauma over the last year. Below are some resources for families.

- [Mental Health and Social Support for Students and Families](#)

#### State Testing Update

Under the Student Assessment Bill of Rights, the Oregon Department of Education (ODE) and Oregon's school districts must provide families with a "Notice of Statewide Tests and Opt-out Form" 30 days before the start of statewide testing. This year, school has been significantly disrupted by the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and other factors. In response, ODE asked the United States Department of Education for a temporary pause (also known as a "waiver") in English Language Arts (ELA) and Math testing. A pause is also being requested for science testing, but science testing is not subject to this opt-out rule.

- If this waiver request is approved, then statewide ELA and Math testing will not happen this year, and there will be no need for parents to submit opt-out forms to their child's school.
- If the waiver request is not approved, test windows will open on April 13, 2021. To best support school district planning, you are encouraged to submit the opt-out form to your child's school by April 6, 2021.

We will share any updates we have with you as soon as we have them. At that time we will explain how to turn in the Opt-out form for your child, should you decide to do so.

[English Opt-out Information and Form](#)  
[Spanish Opt-out Information and Form](#)

**REMINDERS:**

**ELEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**For Kindergarten,** Hybrid Learning begins and Comprehensive Distance Learning restarts on Tuesday, March 30th.

**For Kindergarten Hybrid students:**

- Your child will NOT need to bring in any new school supplies.
  - Keep Chromebooks at home for independent learning time
- Items to bring to school daily are:
  - Backpack
  - Folder (they will receive their folder at their orientation meeting)
  - Change of clothes
  - Three (3) clean masks
  - Water bottle (should be filled daily)
  - Coat or jacket (weather dependent)

**For ALL Kindergarten-5th grade Hybrid students:**

- **Students attend on campus Tuesday - Friday**
- **Morning** on site session is **8:40 am- 11:15 am**. Students have asynchronous (online/paper packet) home learning activities from 12:55-3:30 pm. *This includes specials (PE/Music/Technology)!*
- **Afternoon** on site session is **12:55 pm - 3:30 pm**. Students have asynchronous (online/paper packet) home learning activities from 8:40-11:15 am. *This includes specials (PE/Music/Technology)!*
- **Asynchronous (online) learning activities** will *also* occur on Mondays.
- 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>
- Please read the [Parent Tips - Planning & Preparation for School document](#)

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

**Hybrid/CDL Learning Information:** 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
- Your student schedule for Trimester 3

- A notification of Cohort A or B placement for your child (Hybrid only)
- [A Covid-19 test permission form](#) (Hybrid only)
- An immunization form if your child has not been vaccinated

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

- Students will attend live Homeroom daily from 9:00 am to 9:30 am. Homeroom teachers will guide 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 iReady lessons.
- Each day from 9:30-10:00 am, students will attend a trimester 3 class period. Please click the [Student Orientation Schedule](#)
- 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.

### **Week of April 5th through 9th**

- All students will begin attending all periods each day.
- CDL students will log into all classes Tuesday through Friday from home.
- Hybrid students will attend in-person on assigned days and attend CDL on non-in-person days.
  - Cohort A on Tuesday/Thursday in-person
  - Cohort B on Wednesday/Friday in-person
  - 6th grade hybrid students will begin attending on Tuesday and Wednesday , while 7th and 8th grade students will begin in-person on Thursday and Friday.

### **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=dFhwbU5PWZHNZELzdpeEI3RHNaZz09>

*Meeting ID:* 916 8718 2289

*Passcode:* 959878

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

### **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 Information:**

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 from 8:40-11:15 am
  - 1st-5th grade Hybrid Cohort B completes at home learning activities, including specials, from 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
- **Curriculum Day** - March 29th: No School for all students
- **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 at this link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d4bafa828a5fac61-north>  
All COVID-19 safety protocols will be followed.  
No retakes will be taken. More information is linked below!  
[NM Picture Flyer](#)

**Learn more about COVID-19 vaccinations:** To learn more about the COVID-19 vaccine situation in Oregon, visit the following webpage ([English](#) or [Spanish](#)), which has a breakdown of distribution and other information.

We appreciate your continued support as we navigate these complex and challenging times together. With gratitude, we thank you for your patience, understanding and diligence in helping us mitigate the risk of COVID-19 transmission by wearing masks, washing and sanitizing hands often, and maintaining physical distance with anyone outside of your household.

Together we are stronger, we will get there!

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Estimadas familias de North Marion,

¡Ha sido otro gran comienzo para los estudiantes híbridos (en persona) en nuestras escuelas elementarias! El martes les dimos la bienvenida a los estudiantes de 1º, 4º y 5º grado al aprendizaje en persona. Estamos muy impresionados con lo bien que les está yendo a los estudiantes con el aprendizaje de los nuevos protocolos de salud y seguridad. ¡Es maravilloso escuchar las risas en el patio de recreo y ver el aprendizaje en los salones!

La próxima semana son las vacaciones de primavera y esperamos que su familia pueda “recargar sus pilas” y los estudiantes estén listos para el último trimestre del año escolar 2020-2021. Si necesita algo, comuníquese con la escuela de su hijo.

## **ACTUALIZACIONES:**

### **Distribución de comidas para las vacaciones de primavera**

**¡ÚNICAMENTE** Servicio de comidas para **llevar el LUNES 22 de marzo!**

- Carril de autobús de la Escuela Secundaria North Marion de 10:00 am a 12:00 pm
- Rivenes Park, Hubbard de 10:30 am a 11:00 am

Se proporcionarán siete (7) días de comidas.

No habrá entregas a domicilio de comida durante las vacaciones de primavera.

Las entregas a domicilio comenzarán nuevamente el lunes 29 de marzo.

## **Recursos de Salud Mental de ODE**

Si bien sabemos que existe la ansiedad, los niños están emocionados y felices de estar de regreso. Algunos estudiantes han experimentado traumas durante el último año. A continuación se presentan algunos recursos para familias.

- [Salud mental y apoyo social para estudiantes y familias](#)

## **Actualización de las Pruebas Estatales**

Según la Declaración de Derechos de Evaluación de Estudiantes, el Departamento de Educación de Oregón (ODE) y los distritos escolares de Oregón deben proporcionar a las familias un "Aviso de pruebas estatales y formulario de exclusión" 30 días antes del inicio de las pruebas estatales. Este año, la escuela se ha visto interrumpida significativamente por la pandemia en curso de COVID-19 y otros factores. En respuesta, ODE solicitó al Departamento de Educación de los Estados Unidos una pausa temporal (también conocida como “exención”) en las pruebas de Artes del Lenguaje Inglés (ELA) y Matemáticas. También se solicita una pausa para las pruebas en la materia Ciencias, pero las pruebas de Ciencias no están sujetas a esta regla de exclusión voluntaria.

- Si se aprueba esta solicitud de exención, las pruebas estatales de ELA y Matemáticas no se realizarán este año y no será necesario que los padres envíen formularios de exclusión voluntaria a la escuela de su hijo.
- Si no se aprueba la solicitud de exención, los períodos de prueba se abrirán el 13 de abril de 2021. Para apoyar mejor la planificación del distrito escolar, le recomendamos

que envíe el formulario de exclusión voluntaria a la escuela de su hijo antes del 6 de abril de 2021.

Compartiremos las actualizaciones sobre este tema con Uds. tan pronto como las tengamos. En ese momento, le explicaremos cómo entregar el formulario de exclusión voluntaria para su hijo, en caso de que así Ud. lo decida.

[Información y Formulario en Inglés para la opción de la Exclusión](#)

[Información y Formulario en español para la opción de Exclusión](#)

## **RECORDATORIO:**

### **Primaria:**

**Para Kinder**, el martes, 30 de marzo comienza el aprendizaje Híbrido (clases presenciales) y se comienza nuevamente el Aprendizaje Integral a Distancia.

### **Para los estudiantes de Kinder Híbrido (en persona):**

- Su hijo NO necesitará traer ningún material escolar nuevo.
  - Mantenga el Chromebook en casa para el tiempo de aprendizaje independiente
- Los artículos para llevar a la escuela todos los días son:
  - mochila
  - Sobre transparente de plástico (que recibirán en la reunión de orientación)
  - Cambio de ropa
  - Tres (3) mascarillas limpias
  - Botella de agua (debe llenarla ud. diariamente)
  - Abrigo o chamarra (depende del clima)