



Cambridge Return to F2F

October 14, 2020

We've opted into _____, can we opt out?

We opted in for F2F... after the first phase, my student is not comfortable. Can I opt her out now, before full time starts?

Yes - complete this [form](#) on our website. *This form is now closed.*

If my student chooses face-to-face, but after attending, does not feel safe, can she change to remote instruction? How?

The district is putting together a mechanism for change. There will be criteria and a process. As soon as it is available, we will push out to the community.

Building Questions

Where should Young Harris dual enrollment classes meet at Cambridge? Current schedules do not list a room number.

If this class falls in the middle of the day, students will report to 2428 for classes. If it is in the morning or afternoon (1st or 7th periods), then the student may come in for 2nd period or leave after 6th period and take the class at home.

What is the percentage of students going back F2F? And how is social distance going to look like in phase 5?

We have been holding steady - with 92% of the school responding to the original district survey, 71% are opting for F2F, and 29% will be staying remote. Approximately 1,460 students will be in the building for F2F, approximately 580 will remain at home for remote learning (this data is based on the district survey as of 9:00 am on 10/7/20).

How will students move between classes in a socially distance/safe way?

We will continue to use our one-way hallway/stairs system. Students will be stagger-released by teachers into the hallway to help students maintain distance.

How will classrooms with 25-30 students remain socially distanced and safe?

We will do the best we can to distance students. All desks will be facing the same direction, and we will put as much space as possible between desks.

Have teachers received cleaning supplies? How will classrooms be kept safe with so many students in the building?

All teachers received cleaning supplies for their classrooms during pre-planning. Teachers have been cleaning desks, chairs, and high touch surfaces between each class in phases 3 & 4. This practice will continue.

Are they doing lunch in homeroom? Will lunch be available for purchase?

Lunch will be in the cafeteria. Lunches are currently free for all students (grant that should last until mid-November or early-December). Additional snacks will also be available for purchase. All food will be pre-packaged. Students will be asked to show their student ID barcode ([link to create here](#)) on their phones, tablets, or print out of the barcode to keep delivery contactless.

Would they get lockers or all on tablet/carry backpack around?

We are not issuing lockers for first semester.

Will the one-way directions per hallway be enforced or ignored?

Our One-way direction hallway and stairs system will continue to be enforced.

Will there be randomized COVID symptoms checking for students on a regular basis?

Random temperature checks will continue in the building. We continue to ask all families to do a self-check of symptoms before sending a student to school. If a student is sick or exhibiting any symptoms, we ask that the student stays at home.

Are visitors or volunteers allowed in the building, and what are the protocols?

People entering the school building are required to wear a mask and use hand sanitizer. Visitors are limited to the lobby or front office, and no visitors are allowed in classes. Any non-staff must have an appointment and be prepared to be scanned or provide assurance of good health prior to entry.

What if I need to drop off something for my student?

To limit the number of visitors to come to our front door, we ask for your help to keep drop-offs for students to must-have items only. If a parent or guardian needs to drop off an item, please let the front office know that you are dropping off an item for pick up when you ring the doorbell. The door will be unlocked, and a cart will be placed immediately inside the door for you to leave your item. When entering the building you must wear a mask. Please ensure your student's name is clearly marked or labeled on the item, and you must notify your student that you have dropped off the item. The school cannot be responsible for items left for pick up.

Note, only parents or guardians can drop off an item. We do not allow for food deliveries from a restaurant, Uber Eats, Door Dash, etc.

Have there been adjustments to the process for checking a student out during the school day?

Due to COVID safety protocols currently in place, the student check out process has been adjusted. It is important that you send a note in with your student if you need to check him/her out during the school

day. Pre-approval allow the student to check out at the appointed time and parents/guardians do not need to enter the building. Emergencies do come up and if you need to check your student out, please call or email the attendance office prior to coming to the school. This will allow the attendance office time to request that your student come to the attendance office at your specified time. For complete details, view our [student checkout procedures](#).

We have decided to remain virtual, can my student give his/her parking pass to a friend? Can I get a refund?

Parking passes are not transferable, per the parking application guidelines. This includes selling, renting, leasing, lending, or permitting the use of an on-campus parking space to a student who has not been approved by the school administration to park on campus. Only the school administration can authorize on campus parking for students. Students deciding they will not use their on-campus parking for the school year may return the parking pass to the front office not later than Friday, October 16, 2020 for a full refund. Once the pass is returned, the student will no longer be permitted to park on campus even if there is a decision in the home to switch from virtual to face to face.

Student parking on campus is a privilege extended to students and families that follow the process outlined for securing an on-campus parking space. It is also a serious responsibility for our student drivers to be aware of other drivers as well as students who are walking. Safety is the primary concern with respect to student parking. In order to maintain a safe campus for all students and families, we ask all approved student drivers to adhere to the guidelines of the on-campus parking application.

For additional questions you may have regarding parking on campus and guidelines in place to ensure student safety, [visit Student Parking on our website](#).

Teaching Questions

When will we know if our student's teacher will change? This directly impacts our decision to choose face-to-face or remote learning.

At this time, there should be few schedule changes. Teachers who are making a change will communicate that to students 10/8 and 10/9 before the weekend. All teachers will be teaching simultaneously.

How will a quarantined student keep up with class if they were face-to-face, but their teacher does not offer simultaneous online class?

All teachers are offering F2F classes and teaching simultaneously.

Who will teach face-to-face when a face-to-face teacher is quarantined?

We will have subs if a teacher is sick. If a teacher is able to teach, a sub will be in the room, and the teacher will teach remotely for a quarantine.

Will face to face students have the same resources as online students for graded assignments? Books, notes, phones, etc.

Yes

Will students be on devices all day in class like they are at home?

Students will still use devices but will not be in Teams meetings - as they are F2F.

Will there be a mix of remote and F2F students in a class?

Yes

Will students who've had teacher disruption (teachers leaving, excessively absent, changing math teachers multiple times) be given an opportunity for retakes or remediation?

All students have the option of retakes. Please reach out to your current teacher or the content department chair for more information on a specific concern.

Can students attend help sessions with teachers in person on days they are on campus or are all of those meetings going to continue to be held virtually?

Once we are back F2F, it will depend on the teacher. If the meeting can be held virtually, we are still doing so as this is safer for all involved. Some teachers may opt to have F2F help sessions if they feel it is necessary.

My child has been attending 1 day during phase 3, and the teachers have been teaching to the online students, not the face to face ones. Will this change once face to face begins? To whom will the teachers be directing their lessons?

Teachers will be teaching to the students in the room (not on Teams call) AND the students at home (on a Teams call). This will be new for all involved. We ask for patience, flexibility, and grace as we all step into simultaneous teaching.

Could a system be implemented to manage better all of the different platforms currently used to teach classes? For example, currently students are expected to check multiple platforms for each class, and it is easy to miss assignments.

All classes are only through Teams. Contact the teacher and/or department chair directly for a specific concern.

If we choose virtual for the remainder of the semester, will the teachers change? Do these students have to enroll in Fulton Virtual? What happens to the electives/pathways?

Students will not enroll in FVS, they will be taught simultaneously with their current teachers.

District Questions

What criteria will be used to identify and notify students and staff if they have been exposed to COVID and/or need to quarantine?

We will work in conjunction with our Student Health Services staff and the Fulton County Health Department to notify any who have been exposed. Those students and their families will be notified by Student Health Services and/or myself.

If a student is exposed to someone with COVID (at school or other), how do they notify the school and get approved to move back to URL while they quarantine instead of being marked absent if they were supposed to be F2F?

The district is working on this process now and will send out to all families soon.

If a student is sick with a mild illness and would like to participate in URL for the day, instead of missing school entirely, may they do so?

First, if a student is F2F and is sick, they should stay home. For safety purposes, we will mark the student absent if they are not in the building. Students will then be able to get an excused absence upon return.

Phase IV in person is going well and I feel my child is safe. However, I do not feel it is safe to move to full F2F by Oct. 14. Will the school consider remaining at Phase IV until the virus outlook improves?

The district will make the decision based on the reopening matrix, which relies on data from the Epidemiology reports by Fulton County Health Department.

The Wednesday Asynchronous learning day has been a very beneficial time for my student to get extra help from teachers and catch up on work. Can we keep the Asynchronous Wednesdays during F2F full time?

Once we are F2F, we will not be able to keep Asynchronous Wednesdays.

How will attendance be taken during the return to Face to Face.

All students have now been populated into Infinite Campus (IC) as Remote Learning or Face-to-Face (F2F). Parents and students have until Monday, October 12 at 11:59 pm to change that election by filling out our Cambridge form.

Attendance will be taken as such:

- If a student is F2F in Infinite Campus, they will be marked absent if they do not come to class. The student may still participate remotely and bring in a note to turn the absence into an excused absence upon return (as we have always done).
- If a student is remote, all participation will be done through FCS Information Technology (IT). If a student logs into Class Link or Teams for a class, IT will generate that information nightly and automatically mark "participation" or "does not attend" in Infinite Campus.
- For students who are F2F and told to quarantine, these students will be assigned to a new learning group ("Assigned Remote") on a temporary basis and will be allowed to participate from home during quarantine. IT will automatically mark "participation" or "does not attend", just like remote students.