Deer Park Middle Magnet School’s Opening Information

**Introductory Statement:** Deer Park Middle Magnet School: A learning community that inspires every individual to rise above every challenge, every day. We are Dedicated, Prepared, Motivated, Mindful, and Successful. The reopening information below reflects DPMMS’s dedication and preparation for safety during hybrid instruction. Use this [site](#) to find all resources related to COVID for Baltimore County Public Schools.

### Arrival & Dismissal Procedures

**ARRIVAL**
- Upon arrival students will walk to their grade level area. **Grade 6:** the front door and line up along the grass. **Grade 7:** will walk around the right side (tennis courtside) to the 30’s/40’s hallway outside door line up on the sidewalk. **Grade 8:** will walk to the CAC doors and line up at the ramp and the other side of the stairwell. Students will be allowed entrance (one at a time) at 8 a.m. when the bell rings. Social distance markings are labeled on the sidewalk.
- Team leaders, AP, and a teacher will monitor the lines outside while waiting for the bell to check for all students having a mask on their face before entering the building and to ensure social distancing.

**DISMISSAL**
- Students will be dismissed to classrooms assigned as bus rooms. Walkers and car riders will exit out of the closest exit to the classroom. Students will be dismissed by bus rooms and building zones. Once students exit the building, they will report to their bus. Students can get on the bus one student at a time. Late bus students will be escorted to the cafeteria. Students will practice social distancing.

**RAIN PROCEDURES**
Students will be guided by staff to designated locations. Grade 8 will line up 3 ft apart in the CAC. (Floors are marked) Grade 7 will line up 3 ft apart in the Gym. Grade 6 will line up 3 ft apart in the cafeteria.

### Screening & Testing (**Safety is Our True North**)  
- All families should screen students for symptoms prior to leaving home.
- Please use this [checklist](#) to determine if a student should or should not go to school.
- Persons with COVID-19 symptoms in school will be required to be tested or will be placed on quarantine, in alignment with guidance from the Maryland Department of Health.

### Face Covering (**Safety is Our True North**)  
**Requirements:** All persons, regardless of vaccination status, must wear a face covering while inside a school. Exceptions to this requirement are:
- The person is alone in a private space.
- The person is eating or drinking.
- The person has a documented physical or developmental disability that makes wearing a mask unsafe.
- The person is under the age of two.
- The person is a student athlete engaged in the sport in the field of play.

### Social Distancing (**Safety is Our True North**)  
**Requirements:** Physical distancing of students from each other and between students and adults will be provided to the greatest extent possible, considering school enrollment and facility constraints. Strategies include:
- Use of classroom and cafeteria configurations that provide maximal separation between students.
- Plans for arrival, dismissal and change of classes to reduce gathering of students in any area.
- Restriction of field trips to day trips only, with plans to reduce exposure to large crowds.
- Plans for supervision of restrooms, locker rooms, and school lockers to prevent congregation of students.
Hand Hygiene *(Safety is Our True North)*

**Requirements:** Employees and students have been instructed to adhere to best practices in hand hygiene and respiratory etiquette.

Times for handwashing or use of hand sanitizer to include before and after meals, upon arrival to schools’ offices and home, before and after use of any shared items, after use of the restroom, after sneezing/coughing and other time hands are contaminated.

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Breakfast & Lunch

Meals are available to every student at no cost. No snacks or vending machines will be available. Students eat in the cafeteria by class cohort, socially distanced. There will be 4 lunch shifts. There will be no lunch bunches. There will be reasonable accommodation for special dietary needs. Students will use contactless service, with no pin pads and no self-service of food or milk.

**BREAKFAST:**

*Grab and Go:* Upon entering the building, students will grab a breakfast bag and continue to class.

**LUNCH:**

*Transition to Lunch Procedure*

- Students will sanitize exiting the class. Students will also have the ability to sanitize entering the cafeteria.
- Teachers will pick up students from the cafeteria and return to class. Last lunch will report directly to class (period 4). The cafeteria will have a staggered dismissal.

*Procedure for Lunch Line*

- Students will enter and be seated.
- All café tables will face one direction (4 tables in 8 rows). 2 students per table max. Seats are marked.
- The table will be called.
- Students will stand on social distance markers as they grab their food and return to their seats.

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Supplies & Devices:

- Students should attend school with their charged computer devices, pencil/pen, and a notebook
- Students will wear an appropriate school top which is the color of their grade level or magnet.

  **Grade 6:** Red  **Grade 7:** Green  **Grade 8:** Black

  Students will wear appropriate khaki school bottoms.

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Visitors *(Safety is Our True North)*

- To visit a BCPS school, visitors must have an appointment.
- Visits will be conducted remotely or outside, whenever possible.
- If an indoor visit is required, visitors will be required to wear a face coverings and practice social distancing.
- The number of people admitted to the building will be limited.

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Athletics (Secondary)/Extra Curriculars

- This site contains current information for mitigation related to athletics in BCPS.

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Cleaning/Disinfecting *(Safety is Our True North)*

**Requirements:** BCPS staff will continue to provide safe and clean school environments by ensuring daily cleaning of buildings using Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) approved germicidal agents that kill coronavirus. BCPS staff will:

- Perform frequent cleaning and disinfection of high-contact surfaces and any shared items, at least daily.
- Promote hand washing before and after touch of shared use items.
- Maintain sufficient supplies of soap, paper towels, and hand sanitizer.