# RE-ENTRY TASK FORCE July 9, 2020

#### Agenda

- Welcome
- Review of NJ Re-Entry Requirements
- Review Parent and Staff Re-Entry Surveys
- Informed Decision of Daily Student Schedule
  - Weekly Format: AA/BB or A/B (both with Friday's virtual)
  - Length of school day
- Next Steps: Survey Parents What % of scholars will be attending in-school

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- General Health and Safety Guidelines
  - "Reasonable Accommodations" higher risk populations
    - Social distancing
    - Frequent hand washing
    - Use of face coverings
- Classroom, Testing and Therapy Rooms
  - Allow for social distancing
  - Required Face coverings students, staff and visitors
  - Ensure adequate ventilation
  - Minimize shared objects
  - Maintain hand sanitizing stations

# NJ Re-Entry Guidelines

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- Student Flow, Entry, Exit and Commons Areas
  - Process and Location for student and staff health screenings.
- Physical guides: tape on floors & signs on walls (Markers 6ft apart)
  - Screening, PPE and Response to Student and Staff Presenting Symptoms
  - Adopt Policy
- Screen students and staff: Isolate the symptomatic
  - Required to notify local health department, families and staff (confidential)
- Contact Tracing
  - Develop contact tracing protocols
  - Recommended Training <a href="https://www.coursera.org/learn/covid-19-contact-tracing?edocomorp=covid-19-contact-tracing">https://www.coursera.org/learn/covid-19-contact-tracing</a>

# NJ Re-Entry Guidelines

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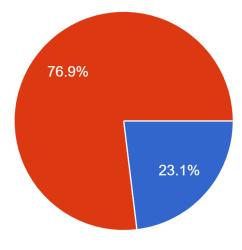
- Facilities Cleaning
  - Schedule for increase cleaning and disinfecting
- Meals
  - Discontinue self-serve/ buffet style
  - Stagger eating times
- Recess/ PE
  - Complete inventory of outdoor spaces
  - Staggered
- Multi-Tiered System of Support (MTSS)

# Teacher Survey Results

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If you had to choose between the two hybrid (mix of in-person and online learning) models, which one would you choose

13 responses



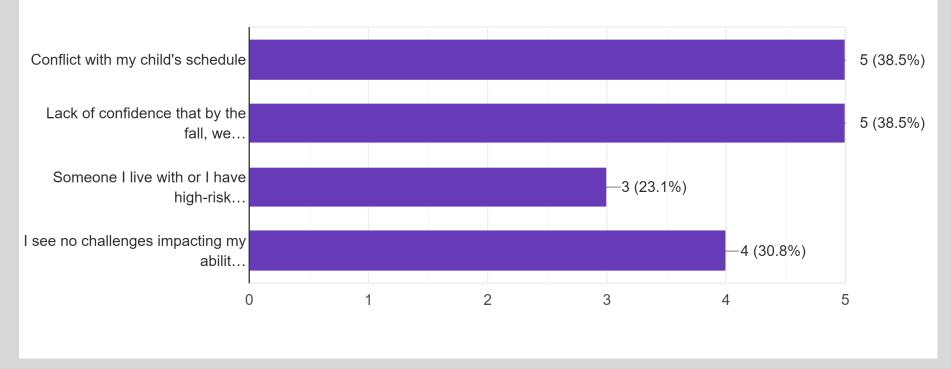
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- Option B: Classes are broken down to three sections. Each section attends the school on alternating days: A-B-C days. Scholars will attend school on a three day cycle.

# Teacher Survey Results

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What are the challenges that would prevent you from returning to work 100% in-person with 1/3 of your scholars meeting daily?

13 responses



• Is there anything else you would like to share that you want the Re-Entry Task Force to consider as we are thinking through these scenarios on behalf of our Team and Family?

Some Parents and Staff are concerned about child care. Also, During the quarantine there were some children that showed signs of depression. Some refused to work because of how they felt. Some of the children have social needs that need to be addressed.

What will the curriculum look like for the ABC day choice?

For option B please consider flexibility, online schooling and interventions. Flexibilty for teachers/parents to change a scholars group. Online schooling should be provided for days that groups are not attending school. Interventions or consequences for scholars who do not perform at all online when they are not physically in school.

I a concerned about their social and emotional development being that there will be no social worker they know or are familiar with when they come back to school.

I am very concern about our children social and emotional well being when there is no one that they are familiar with that they can reach out to on a weekly basis.

I believe it is in our best interest to limit the amount of instruction done in our building. Instruction needs to be at least 80% virtual and 20% in person. Due to the poor ventilation and confined spaces in the building I am afraid prolonged student presence in the building will result in another outbreak.

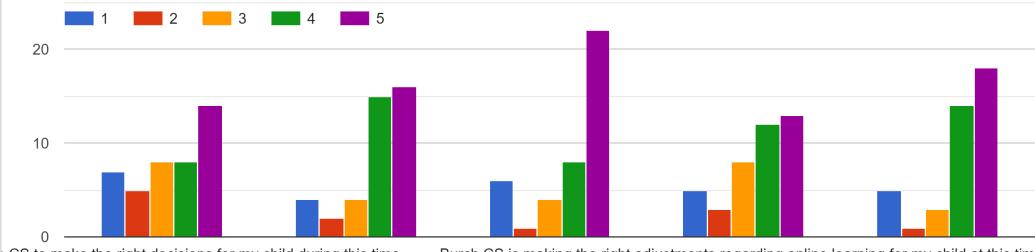
Change my scholars tables to single desks. Each scholar should bring a plastic container with lid to put their personal belonging in.

I think there should be an option with teacher schedules being at home as well at school; as their child's schedule may not allow them to travel to work daily in addition to having personal medical concerns. I am also concerned for the teacher's well-being (social-emotional) as well as the students. There is not a lot of stability when we return and ans seems like on top the the formal structure of change due to the pandemic, there seems to be many internal changes that may be a bit much for teachers to balance/grasp.

# Parent Survey Results

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Please rate the following questions on a scale of 1 (lowest) to 5 (highest).



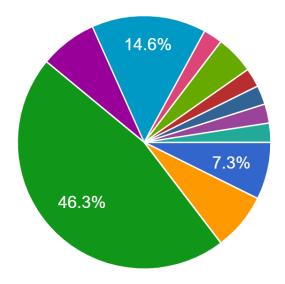
1 CS to make the right decisions for my child during this time

Burch CS is making the right adjustments regarding online learning for my child at this tim

# Parent Survey

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What conditions are most critical to you in the decision to re-open? Choose your top 3. 41 responses



- Decisions by the state.
- Decisions by the county/ city.
- Re-opening of childcare for parents to...
- Impact of re-opening on virus transmis...
- Ability to screen employees and stude...
- Ability to comply with social distances.
- Availability of Personal Protective Equ...
- 467

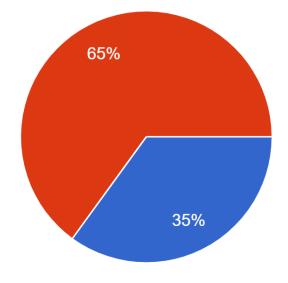
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# Parent Survey

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If you had to choose one of the two hybrid (mix of online and in-person learning) plans we are examining for re-entry, which one would you choose?

40 responses



- Option A: Classes are broken down to three sections. Each section attends the school on their designated week. So, scholars will be online for two weeks then in school for one week.
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# Parent Survey Results

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- Daily cleanliness of the build. Meaning, will the building be clean on the daily basis EVERY DAY.
- WHAT DO YOU NEED THE KIDS IN SCHOOL FOR?? THEY ARE YOUNG CHILDREN. THERE IS ABSOLUTELY NO WAY THAT THEY WILL ALWAYS COMPLY WITH THESE RULES. HAVE THESE KIDS CONTINUE THEIR SCHOOLING ONLINE AND MAKE SURE THAT THEY ARE DOING THEIR WORK. WHOEVER ISN'T DOING THEIR WORK, THEN THE PARENT SHOULD BE REPORTED TO THE APPROPRIATE AUTHORITY.
- How will BCSE work with parents when they return to work if school does not re open in the fall
- Hopefully we fight off this virus.
- I don't think the kids will be able to keep masks on all day and they will not be able to social distances
- Curious on how children will wear mask to avoid suffocation or endangerment to their health

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- I thank all Burch CS staff and teacher for their hard work. However, please do not rush reopening if it's not safe for the staff and the students.
- Proper protective gear for Burch family. Physical distancing throughout the classroom and school. Adequate hand washing.
- I don't think the schools are ready to re-open I don't think you're capable of handling the CDC guidelines of all of the schools and I don't think the kids will be able to handle wearing a mask eight hours a day and being stuck in one
- Please help take care of the children while in school.
- If my daughter still learning at she suppose to have virtual classes every day with the teacher
- There should always be chairs in the gym, so that Scholars won't sit on the floor. In-person learning is plays a vital role in Student's mental and social wellbeing, they need to go back to school! (knowing now that their risk of infection is minimal.

# Daily Schedule Options

- Due to the restraints of NJ Guidelines for re-entry schools cannot open virtually in September and the limits prevent Burch Charter School from re-opening fully in-school.
- Solution: Modified mixed schedule

#### Important Discussion Notes

- Burch Charter School administration has held multiple discussions with the state, county office, public schools and numerous other charter schools administrators (71) to date on logistics of the re-opening plans.
- Burch Charter School has developed protocols for staff, students and visitors entry into the building.
  - Everyone will have their temperatures checked upon arrival.
  - Facemasks are mandatory
  - Social distancing is enforced
- In September, student entry will be staggered and students will enter different points of entry by grade level:
  - K- 2 enter building at 7:50 am
  - 3-5 enter building at 8:15 am
- To reduce student movement and keep social distancing requirements:
  - Students will remain in a single class the entire day.
  - Teachers will transition from class to class.
  - Breakfast and Lunch be in the classrooms
  - Health will be taught the 1MP

#### Important Discussion Notes

- Burch Charter School administration will make accommodations to the schedule to place scholars in the same family on the same schedule: A day group or B day group.
- We are aware that families will have a greater burden for day-care services.
- No after-school programming or activities will occur at Burch C.S. (physical location)
  - Resources may be provided to parents/ scholars for virtual after care programs and activities
- Protective barriers/ shields will be in place in all the offices and on teacher's desk.
- We are investing in cameras and software to provide real-time and/ or delayed instruction to students directly from the classroom to students' homes.

#### TASK FORCE RECOMMENDATIONS

- During our meeting today, July 9, 2020, the Re-Entry Task Force voted unanimously (9 votes) to implement an AA/BB day schedule when school resumes. According to this schedule, "A" day students will attend school on Monday and Tuesday and receive online instruction on Wednesday thru Friday; "B" day students will attend school on Wednesday and Thursday while receiving online instruction on Monday, Tuesday and Friday.
- Also, the task force voted by majority to remain full-time with a 6/3 vote: 6 for full-time and 3 for 1 pm dismissal.

Student Group	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
A Day	In- School	In-School	Online/ Virtual	Online/ Virtual	Online/ Virtual
B Day	Online/ Virtual	Online/ Virtual	In-School	In-School	Online/ Virtual

#### Next Step

- Inform staff and parents of the task force recommendations by:
  - Sharing this presentation on the school's website, Facebook, Classdojo, Twitter, and Instagram accounts
- Survey parents:
  - Identify the number, percentage and identity of scholars that will be attending Inschool sessions during the fall.
- Meet and discuss re-opening plans with Irvington's new superintendent.