

FALCON CREEK MIDDLE SCHOOL

RETURN TO SCHOOL: BLENDED LEARNING INFO FOR PARENTS



What is Blended Learning?

- Students will participate in in-person learning at Falcon Creek two days a week
 - Cohort A-Tuesdays and Wednesdays (Students with Last Names A-K)*
 - Cohort B-Thursdays and Fridays (Students with Last Names L-Z)*
- Students will participate in asynchronous learning from home three days a week.
 - Mondays-All Students
 - Virtual Office hours will be provided as well as Social Emotional Lessons Extensions, and Platform Assistance
 - Cohort A-Thursdays and Fridays (Students with Last Names A-K)*
 - Cohort B- Tuesdays and Wednesdays (Students with Last Names L-Z)*
- Cohort Weekly Schedule (**To Start on August 24th**)

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Cohort A (Last Names A-K)	Asynchronous Learning + Office Hours	In-Person Learning	In-Person Learning	Asynchronous Learning	Asynchronous Learning
Cohort B (Last Names L-Z)		Asynchronous Learning	Asynchronous Learning	In-Person Learning	In-Person Learning

*Siblings and families will be assigned to the same cohort session. Exceptions may be made for academic reasons. Consideration will also be given to align attendance of household co-residents. Student with IEP's, G/T, ELS or other services may need to be assigned to the alternate cohort.

What is The Schedule for the Phase-In Week (August 17-21)?

To ensure a smooth school re-start, the following schedule will be followed for the week of August 17th-21st. All students are asked to view the Orientation Google Sites page on Monday. Students will only attend Falcon Creek in-person one day this week. The schedule is as follows:

- Monday, August 17th-Asynchronous Learning (View Student Orientation Google Site)
- Tuesday, August 18th-Cohort A 6th Graders Only (Student Last Names A-K)
- Wednesday, August 19th-Cohort A 7th and 8th Graders (Student Last Names A-K)
- Thursday, August 20th-Cohort B 6th Graders Only (Student Last Names L-Z)
- Friday, August 21st Cohort B 7th and 8th Graders (Student Last Names L-Z)

What Will In-Person Learning Look Like? (Two Days per Week)

Students will participate in two days a week of in-person learning. Guidance from CDHPE, Tri-County Health, CCSD Office of Health Services, and the CCSD Office of Performance Improvement will be followed for health, safety, and educational decision making. **Physical distancing and cohort distancing** will be implemented throughout the school day to the

greatest extent possible. All staff and students are to **wear masks** daily except for recess, P.E., playing musical instruments, and eating. **Handwashing and regular cleaning of student spaces** will be practiced throughout the day. **Instructional materials will be cleaned** between grade level cohorts and/or a separate set of instructional materials will be created for each grade level cohort. All students are encouraged to **bring a water bottle from home**. Students will not have access to water fountains but may refill water bottles from sinks and/or water bottle dispensers.

What is the Bell/Class Schedule?

Students, while in person two days a week, will attend an 8-period day with 48 minute core and elective classes. Students will also attend a 19-minute Advisory class. [Click on the Blended Learning Bell Schedule on our website to view a copy of the schedule.](#)

What is the Blended Learning Calendar for the Year?

Students will be in the building two days a week and will be assigned to either Cohort A or Cohort B. Cohort A contains students with last names A-K. Cohort B contains students with last names L-Z. [Click on the Blended Learning Calendar on our website to view an overview for the year.](#)

How Will My Child Receive His/Her Class Schedule?

Student schedules will be available via Powerschool on Friday, August 14th at 4:00 PM. Please visit <https://www.my.cherrycreek.org> to access student schedules. If possible, please send your child to school on the first day with either a printed copy of their schedule or a photo of their schedule.

How Can I Help My Child Transition to a Safe Return to School?

It is normal for students to be nervous and anxious about their return to school. You can help ease this transition by doing the following:

- 1) **Acknowledge your child's feelings.** The Phase-in Week will help promote safe protocols for returning to school.
- 2) Read through the **Return to School: Blended Learning Information for Students located on the Falcon Creek Website with your child.** This provides information on what a typical day will look like, including protocols to keep students safe. This contains information for both students and parents alike.
- 3) Have your child view the **Falcon Creek Orientation Google Site.** This will be available via a link from the Falcon Creek Website on Wednesday, August 12th.
- 4) Help your child access their **class schedule on Powerschool on Friday, August 14th.** Have your child print a copy of their schedule or take a picture of it to create accessibility for the first day of school.

- 5) Help your **child organize their backpack**. A school supply list is posted on the Falcon Creek website. Students will NOT have access to lockers so it is important students stay organized and do not bring non-essential items to school.
- 6) Help your child **pack a lunch or put money into your child's lunch account**. Please note that students will NOT have access to microwaves during lunch this year. To access the CCSD café click on: <https://www.cherrycreekschools.org/Page/4038>
- 7) Help your child **pack a water bottle**. Students will NOT have access to water fountains but will have access to water bottle filling stations.
- 8) Help your child understand the symptoms of COVID-19 and report any symptoms to you immediately.
- 9) Help your child identify their **bus stop**, if assigned, and understand the departure/arrival times. For transportation questions, please call the CCSD East Terminal at 720-886-4109.
- 10) Promote the 3W's with your child: **W**ear a Mask, **W**ash Hands, **W**atch Distance. Help you child **build stamina with wearing a face mask**.
- 11) Ensure your child does not arrive on campus until 8:35 AM to limit students congregating in large groups. **Doors will open at 8:40 AM**. Remind students to clear campus at 3:45 PM to limit students congregating in large groups.
- 12) Encourage your child to do their best.

What Will Asynchronous Learning Look Like? (Three Days per Week)

Students will participate in asynchronous learning three days a week. Guidance from the CCSD Office of Performance Improvement and Information Systems will be implemented. Students will continue their learning when they are not in-building. **Students are expected to complete asynchronous lessons and assignments as they will be graded, with timely feedback on progress towards mastery of standards. Schoology will be the Learning Management platform for asynchronous learning.**

Mondays Only-Office Hours Schedule

Students can participate in online drop-in Office Hours to meet with teachers to seek additional assistance based on the schedule below.

6th Monday Office Hours		7th Monday Office Hours		8th Monday Office Hours	
1 st ACC	9:00-9:20	1 st Core	9:00-9:20	1 st Elective	9:00-9:20
2 nd Core	9:25-9:45	2 nd Core	9:25-9:45	2 nd Elective	9:25-9:45
3 rd Core	9:50-10:10	3 rd Advisory	9:50-10:10	3 rd Core	9:50-10:10
4 th Advisory	10:15-10:35	4 th Elective	10:15-10:35	4 th Core	10:15-10:35
5 th Core	10:40-11:00	5 th Elective	10:40-11:00	5 th Core	10:40-11:00

LUNCH	11:05-11:35	LUNCH	11:05-11:35	LUNCH	11:05-11:35
6 th Core	11:40-12:00	6 th Core	11:40-12:00	6 th Advisory	11:40-12:00
7 th Elective	12:05-12:25	7 th Core	12:05-12:25	7 th Core	12:05-12:25
8 th Elective	12:30-12:50	8 th Core	12:30-12:50	8 th Core	12:30-12:50