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# Dear Pershing Families:

Welcome back to the 2020-2021 school year! I hope that you and your families are continuing to be safe and are well! As the Principal of Pershing High School, let me be the first to share with you how excited I am to begin a new school year. As we open this year, our primary goal is to create a safe and secure learning environment where all students have the opportunity to achieve at the highest possible levels. Although this journey will look different, I am grateful we are in this together and feel confident that we can achieve our goals.

Our school will be offering Virtual Learning for grades 9-12. All students will be provided the opportunity to receive instructional support onsite in the Learning Center utilizing electronic devices and supported by staff. Also, they will receive additional academic support, including breakfast and lunch.

#### **Orientation**

Please make an extra effort to join our virtual orientation:

Topic: Pershing Parent Back to School Informational Meeting Time: Sep 2, 2020 11:00 am

Join Zoom Meeting

#### By Web/App

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86325973170 Meeting ID: 863 2597 3170 Passcode: Fall2020

By Phone

312 626 6799 Meeting ID: 863 2597 3170 Passcode: 47240170



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# **Instructional Learning Model**

There will be 100% Virtual Learning which will occur for nine weeks from September 8, 2020, through October 19, 2020. The decision to go 100% virtual was based on the parent surveys that indicated less than 15% of the students requesting face to face and limited number of teachers we have to teach in a face to face setting. Please read this detailed reopening plan as we begin to prepare for the return to learning.

# What Does Virtual Look like at Pershing?

Students Can expect to have six classes that follow the Bell schedule, which begins at 8:00 am and ends at 3:20 pm. Students will log in all their courses at the start of each class period. Students must keep their cameras on the entire time. There will be strict guidelines as to when students can move around.

# Virtual learning expectations

Students in a virtual environment are expected to follow all the terms and conditions of the code of conduct. Students will also be expected to have their uniform tops on while their cameras are on for the entire school day. Students should be on camera for the entire class session. Students will be permitted to carry clear backpacks while in the building.

## **COVID-19 Safety Protocols**

## PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE)

The District has purchased and will deploy Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) for staff and students as part of the reopening of schools. The first delivery will take place prior to the start of the school year. The initial delivery will include reusable materials (face masks and face shields) along with consumable items (surgical masks, hand sanitizer, disinfectant wipes).

The initial delivery will include a two-month allocation of consumable PPE (September & October). Then schools will receive a monthly delivery to ensure there is always supply available. (*Please note that all spray bottles are intended for surface cleaning.*) The deliveries will be made by the District's warehouse staff and distribution vendor.



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PPE Item	<b>Delivery Frequency</b>	Recipients
Reusable Face Masks	One-time/September	Staff and students
Reusable Face Shields	One-time/September	Staff
Surgical-style Masks	Monthly	Visitors, staff & students as needed
KN95 Masks	Monthly	First Responders & School Health Teams
N95 Masks	Monthly	Trainable Aides at Center Based Schools* & Nurses
Hand Sanitizer	Monthly	Classrooms & Offices
Disinfectant Spray	Monthly	Classrooms & Offices
Disinfectant Wipes	Monthly	Classrooms & Offices
Gloves	Monthly	Office & School Health Teams



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Specialized PPE will be provided to center-based schools and to nurses, security staff, and nutrition staff. Additional PPE will be available for each school (4-person) School Health Team, for when they need to respond. The following items will be available by request at all schools:

- Clear Face Masks\*\*
- Gowns
- Shoe Coverings

Staff and students are expected to utilize reusable masks. Disposable masks will be provided in the event a visitor, staff member, or student does not have their reusable mask that day. Just like reusable masks, disposable masks are expected to be worn for the entire day.

#### TEMPERATURE CHECK

The District procured and is installing temperature kiosks for every school. The kiosks will be installed prior to the start of the school year. In addition to the temperature kiosks, schools will receive at least two touchless thermometers (one for the nurse's office and main office) which can be used to take student, staff or visitor temperatures.

The kiosks and touchless thermometers will alert schools if staff or students have a temperature at or above 100.4. Those individuals with temperatures above 100.4 should be sent home.

\*If aerosolized procedures are conducted additional specialized PPE will be provided.

\*\*Available if required for student IEP.

### ADDITIONAL REOPENING MATERIALS

The District is committed to supporting staff during the reopening of schools and is providing additional materials. All teachers, counselors and social workers will receive \$100 to procure student supplies and materials.

Additionally, teachers providing in person instruction will have the option of receiving a cart to assist in the movement between classrooms.



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#### INSTRUCTIONS ON DISTRIBUTING SUPPLIES TO STAFF & STUDENTS

PPE materials will be delivered to the school office, who will be responsible for managing the inventory and distributing it to eligible staff members. Schools will need to document distribution of classroom PPE and materials to staff. This process should follow the school's normal documentation of distribution of supplies or materials.

Below is the chart of the items, description, and distribution recommendation. As outlined above, some items will only be delivered one time.

Item	Description	Distribution
Adult Face Masks	Black Reusable	2 for each staff
Student Face Masks	District Monogrammed, Reusable	2 for each student
Face Shields	Plastic, Reusable	2 for each staff
Surgical-style Masks	Disposable, Blue	1 box each: classrooms & office
Hand Sanitizer	Gallon-sized with Pump	1 each: classrooms & office
Disinfectant Spray	Spray Bottle with Trigger	1 each: classrooms & office
Disinfecting Wipes	Soft pack of 50 or 100 wipes	1 each: classrooms & office

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Students will enter thru Door #1. Students will get a temperature check and asked to read the system checker questions that are posted on the wall at Door 1.

Any students who display symptoms during the school day their parents will be notified and asked to pick the student up. The student will be placed in the first aide room adjacent to the gym.

# **Student Movement during the School Day in Learning Labs**

All students and staff will follow the signage directions on the floors. Students will permit them to go to restrooms freely.

Learning labs will be assigned for the entire day.

# **Daily Morning Messages**

Morning announcements will be emailed to all instructors to be read at the beginning of second hour.

#### Schooloogy

The District has adopted Schoology as its new learning management system (LMS) in the 2020-2021 school year. As a full-featured LMS, Schoology will work with the rest of the District's digital tools and online resources to help us provide excellent instruction to our students. Teachers will be able to use Schoology to assign work, distribute reading and media to students, assess student progress, communicate with families, and create an online classroom environment. Schoology will also make it possible for the District to better support teachers by enabling us to share course resources that you can easily add to your courses and giving us a new way to support professional learning.



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 Click on Clever desktop short cut or open Google chrome and go to; Clever.com/in/dpscd

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- · Click login with Active Directory
- Enter student's username in the space identified. The username will consist of the students Id# with @thedps.org appended on.
- For example: 12345678@thedps.org
- 4. Enter the students password. The password consist of the following
- · First letter of first name in upper case
- · First letter of last name in lower case
- · 2 digit of their birth month
- · 2 digit of their birth year
- · 01(male) or 02(female)
- For example: Jane Doe's birthday is May 13, 2004 her password is Jd050402
- 5. Click on the application you are interested in accessing

SCHOOLOGY TUTORIAL LINK FOR PARENTS/ STUDENTS

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZhhLK-DTIVE



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#### **TEAMS**

#### What is Teams for Education?

Teams for Education is the platform our teachers use to stay connected with students while in and out of the classroom. District teachers have Teams automatically rostered for each of their courses, and students are automatically enrolled in Teams for each of their courses. Teachers can conduct check-ins (via chat and video) with students and families, provide one-on-one or small group assistance for those who need more support, conduct whole-class discussions or lessons, and assign and provide feedback on submitted assignments.

#### **Attendance and Grades**

Student attendance will be taken daily and hourly. All students are expected to be on time for each period. Late students will be marked tardy. Tardy students will be granted access to the class by the teacher. I teacher will receive a notification from the Dean who will flag all tardy students hourly

Grades - Students will receive grades based on a traditional point scale

A - 100-90; B - 89-80; C-79 - 70; D - 69 - 60; F - 59 & below

**TEAMS Chat Usage** Students are strictly prohibited from communicating in the chat unless directed to do so by the presenter of the session or if they have a question.

#### **Virtual Dress Code**

All students are expected to wear a blue or white top and have bottoms on.

# **Pershings Learning Center/Learning labs**

All students will have daily access to learning labs. Students that would prefer work from school will have that options. The requirements for learning lab utilization are as follows

- 1. Students are expected to be in dress code daily.
- 2. Students must wear their mask the entire day expect while they are at lunch
- **3.** Students will arrive at 7:30 am for breakfast in the Long front Hallway, where they must maintain social distancing. They will report to their learning center at 8:00 am.
- **4.** Students will be Dismissal is 3:20 pm.



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- 5. Students will be assigned a learning lab according to grade level
- **6.** Students are expected to bring their Connected futures devices daily
- 7. Students will adhere to the Student Code of Conduct

**Staffing Update** We would like to welcome our new staff members Science Mr. Steur, Social Studies Mr. Kohler and French Schweitzer

# **Connect Your Future Tablet, Material & Textbook Pick for Virtual students**

When you arrive, please come first to the Check-In Station Location Use the South Entrance at Door 9 on the far south side of the building. All students must wear a mask and adhere to all safety protocols. Students will enter the south gym (Door Number #9) and pick books and materials for all core subject at stations according to the schedule below. Then students will exit the North Gym door. We will service 10-20 students at a time. All students must wear a mask. All students must remain in their vehicles or six feet apart while waiting to enter the building

#### **Distribution Schedule**

#### **Deployment for Tablet FINAL Make-Up Dates:**

- 8:30 am-3:30 pm on Friday, August 28, 2020
- 8:30 am-12:30 pm on Saturday, August 29, 2020
- 8:30 am-3:30 pm on Tuesday, September 1, 2020
- 8:30 am-3:30 pm on Wednesday, September 2, 2020
- 8:30 am-3:30 pm on Thursday, September 3, 2020

Pick up of books, supplies (distribution of instructional materials) and (1) uniform shirt from (9:00 am to 2:00 pm)

- 9th Grade Tuesday, September 8, 2020
- 10th Grade Wednesday, September 9, 2020
- 11th Grade-Thursday, September 10, 2020
- 12th Grade- Friday, September 11, 2020



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## Please remember the following:

- Adhere to all social distancing rules, and do not forget your masks!
- Be sure to report to the check-in station first
- Be sure to check out at the end to ensure that you have received all the appropriate materials for your student(s)

#### Lunch

Students will be permitted to have lunch while maintaining social distance in the lunchroom given the size of the cafe and the number of students in each lunch period. At no time will we have more than 50 students in the café, Cyber Café and Courtyard.

- Cafeteria
- Room 201 A
- Room 201B

# **First Day of School**

Students should log on to the general assembly virtually on September 8, 2020. Students will have access to the Pershing's Channel via TEAMs Students will receive an overview of Social Distancing expectations, Overview of TEAMs, Schoology, Meet New Staff and receive the Principal's Message. Students will be released to go to their first-hour class at 8:30 am then follow their normal school day scheduled

# Thank you in advance Doughboys and Doughgirls!

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