





# Powhatan Elementary School's Opening Information

8:25 am – 3:40 pm

**Welcome Back, Panthers! Please see the update information provided below.**

Use this [site](#) to find all resources related to COVID for Baltimore County Public Schools

<p><b>Arrival &amp; Dismissal Procedures</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Students will enter and exit their outside classroom doors.</li> <li>Arrival begins at 8:25 am. Dismissal begins at 4:15 pm.</li> <li><b>Walkers-</b> All walkers that arrive before the 8:25 bell are to line up in one of two lines, a line for primary students (PK- grade 1) and intermediate students (grade 2 – grade 5). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Primary and FALS students dismissed as walkers will be picked up at their classroom doors (located in the front of the building)</li> <li>Grade 2 and Intermediate students dismissed as walkers will be brought to this location during dismissal</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>Car Riders-</b> All car riders are to be dropped off (arrival) and picked up (dismissal) through the car rider loop located next to the side parking towards the bar of the building. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Primary students will be escorted to the front of the building by a Powhatan staff member to enter their outside classroom door.</li> <li>Grade 2 and Intermediate students will be directed to their outside classroom toward the back of the building.</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>Bus Riders-</b> All bus riders will be escorted off their buses to line up by primary and grade 2/intermediate. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Grade 2/Intermediate students will be escorted toward the back of the school building by Powhatan staff.</li> <li>When the bell rings, Primary students will be released to enter through their teacher's classroom door.</li> <li>All Bus riders will join their grade level line for attendance prior to loading the bus. Once all bus riders are confirmed, the bus will be loaded and depart the premises.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p><b>Screening &amp; Testing (<a href="#">Safety is Our True North</a>)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All families should screen students for symptoms prior to leaving home.</li> <li>Please use this <a href="#">checklist</a> to determine if a student should or should not go to school.</li> <li>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.</li> </ul> <p><b>Social Distancing (<a href="#">Safety is Our True North</a>)</b>  <b>Requirements:</b> 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:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use of classroom and cafeteria configurations that provide maximal separation between students.</li> <li>Plans for arrival, dismissal and change of classes to reduce gathering of students in any area.</li> <li>Restriction of field trips to day trips only, with plans to reduce exposure to large crowds.</li> </ul> <p>Plans for supervision of restrooms, locker rooms, and school lockers to prevent congregation of students.</p> <p><b>Breakfast &amp; Lunch:</b>  Breakfast takes place from 8:25 – 8:40 and will be “grab and go” style. Students will take a bag containing their breakfast prior to entering their classroom door during arrival.</p> <p>Students have a designated lunch time which will take place in the cafeteria. Students are to enter and sit in their assigned seat and wait to be called the line to pick up their lunch.</p> 
<p><b>Face Covering (<a href="#">Safety is Our True North</a>)</b>  <b>Requirements:</b> All persons, regardless of vaccination status, must wear a face covering while inside a school. Exceptions to this requirement are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The person is alone in a private space.</li> <li>The person is eating or drinking.</li> <li>The person has a documented physical or developmental disability that makes wearing a mask unsafe.</li> <li>The person is under the age of two.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Hand Hygiene (<a href="#">Safety is Our True North</a>)</b>  <b>Requirements:</b> Employees and students have been instructed to adhere to best practices in hand hygiene and respiratory etiquette.</p> <p>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.</p>
<p><b>Supplies &amp; Devices:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>FULLY charged device should be brought to school daily.</li> <li>In addition to the requested supplies located on the school supply lists, students should have 2 face coverings (1 worn, 1 back up)</li> </ul> 	<p><b>Visitors (<a href="#">Safety is Our True North</a>)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To visit a BCPS school, visitors must have an appointment.</li> <li>Visits will be conducted remotely or outside, whenever possible.</li> <li>If an indoor visit is required, visitors will be required to wear a face coverings and practice social distancing.</li> <li>The number of people admitted to the building will be limited.</li> </ul>

**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.