

Parents/Guardians,

On Monday, August 24th we will officially open our doors and digital windows for instruction at 8:00 am. Our teachers have been working tirelessly preparing for a hybrid combination of in-person on campus students, and eLearning students who will be engaging in classes in real time. In communicating with you today, I hope to answer some lingering questions about what our opening looks like and how the hybrid model might work. We are really looking forward to serving our families and I am sure we will continue to identify areas for improvement. As we get more information about school operations, we will send the notifications out as timely as possible. I wish to again thank all our parents and our community for your ongoing patience as we all deal with the effects of COVID-19 on our school functions. Please note the bulleted FAQ information below:

- **How do I sign up for FOCUS?** The first thing that will need to happen is for parents to, if you have not already done so, activate your FOCUS account (call the front office if you need help). It is essential for you to be able to monitor your students progress and communicate with teachers. Your student should already have an active account that will roll up automatically from their homeschool.
- **When will I receive information from teachers for my eLearning student?** Our staff has started reaching out to eLearning students/parents. You may not receive information until the first day of school and you will find all necessary information on the teacher FOCUS webpage.
- **How do I sign-in to eLearning?** Students choosing our eLearning or synchronized learning option will simply need to log into FOCUS, Google Classroom, Odysseyware or Zoom through their Launchpad for each class. **On the first day of school, students will find all necessary information on the FOCUS teacher webpage.** Students will be in each class for 100 minutes and must be in class for the duration, whether in-person or eLearning from home. Attendance will be taken both in-person and eLearning as they are synchronized in real time.
- **Will eLearning be like last year?** eLearning will be synchronous for each course. Students will interact with their teachers each day and will participate in virtual lessons/discussion. All students, on campus and eLearning, will follow the same pacing and expectations for the classroom.
- **How should I prepare at home for my child to do eLearning?** If your child is eLearning, please set up a school space at home that is free of distractions. Students participating in eLearning will follow our block schedule.
- **What are the requirements for eLearning and are they the same as in-person instruction?** Students participating in eLearning are South Pine Grove students and should follow our code of conduct. All eLearning students will need access to technology and the internet every day. Since eLearning and in person are synchronous students on both platforms will move at the same pace with equivalent assignments.
- **Will the school be taking students temperatures?** Mr. Sejeck may be checking student's temperatures in his office and will adhere to FERPA laws to ensure confidentiality. If you do not want your child's temperature taken by Mr. Sejeck, please send your request in writing to South Pine Grove secretary, Ms. Jennifer Bowen (bowen.jennifer@brevardschools.org)

- **What should I do if I want to meet with a teacher, guidance counselor or administrator?**
Unfortunately, we must limit any parental walk-ins and ask that you schedule an appointment before coming on campus. Our staff is readily available by phone, email, skype, or Zoom in the event you would like to discuss anything. In the event of an emergency drop off of a forgotten lunch or school supply, those can be made in the front office.
- **What should I do if I am an in person on campus student and get sick at home or school?** We ask all parents to please self-screen your child each day before sending them to school by taking their temperature and screening for any symptoms of illness. If your child has a temperature or is not feeling well, please keep your child home from school until they are temperature and/or symptom free for 24 hours. If a student gets sick at school, we will follow all BPS procedures and ask parents to pick the student up in a timely manner.
- **What should I do if my child takes medication and I need it administered at school?** Parents will need to bring medication to the front office. Please call or email Michell Myers myers.michelle@brevardschools.org make an appointment to drop off medication and complete all necessary paperwork.

We know there are probably many more questions but hopefully this document assists with some concerns/questions prior to the start of the school year.

Sincerely,

Shannon Sejeck
Assistant Principal