

THE TUES. NEWS

8-12-2020



BRENT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Coming Up

Wednesday, August 12
Back to School Community Meeting
8 - 9 p.m.
Log information:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89532644899>
Meeting ID: 895 3264 4899
Passcode: oCLgNB

Monday, August 17
New Parent Orientation
8 - 9 a.m.
Join Zoom Meeting
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88664273582>
Meeting ID: 886 6427 3582
Passcode: 7JJKh8
OR
6-7 p.m.
Join Zoom Meeting
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85251602318>
Meeting ID: 886 6427 3582
Passcode: 490943

Student Supply Kit and Requested Technology Pick-Up
Thursday, August 27, 3-6 p.m.
Friday, August 28, 3-6 p.m.
Saturday, August 29 9 - noon, 1 - 4 p.m.
Monday, August 31 3 - 6 p.m.
Tuesday, September 1 3 - 6 p.m.

BRENT ELEMENTARY
COUNTDOWN TO SCHOOL
OPENING

AUGUST 31, 2020

2021



Brent Virtual Community Meeting – This Wednesday, August 12 from 8 - 9 p.m.

Norah Lycknell, Brent's principal, along with staff and parent leadership, will lead a community meeting on Wednesday, August 12 to update the school community on school opening for SY20-21.

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Volunteer to Build Virtual Community Connections

The start of this school year is unlike anything the Brent community has ever experienced. It is a critical time for Brent families to come together to discuss the challenges and opportunities of a virtual start to the school year. Interested in helping coordinate the discussions for families at your grade level? To volunteer please email Brent parent, Danielle Drissel at Danielle@

websterious.com with your name, email address and grade level you want to help support. We will have a planning meeting on Thursday evening 8/13 at 8pm. Stay tuned for additional detail on the virtual meet up next week.

Student Supply Kits and Technology Pick-Up

Grade level teams and specials teachers are in the process of creating grade level at home supply kits for every student. Brent will host supply-pick up events on the following days:

Thursday, August 27 3 – 6 p.m.

Friday, August 28 3 – 6 p.m.

Saturday, August 29 9 -noon, 1 – 4 p.m.

Monday, August 31 3 – 6 p.m.

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Families who complete the DCPS tech survey and requested a device, will need to schedule an appointment to pick-up the device. Please visit

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/BrentTechpick-up> to schedule an appointment. Appointments are available during the student supply kit pick-up days. Please keep in mind that when picking up the device, families will need to log into the device while on Brent's network and open up Microsoft Teams. Families do not need to make an appointment if they are only picking up student supply kits.

DCPS ReOpen Strong Updates

As Brent is part of the DCPS system, Brent families can learn more about DCPS's system-wide updates and policies on DCPSReopenStrong.com.

Below are some recent policy updates from DCPS:

New Mayor's Order: Masks

IT'S SIMPLE: WHEN YOU LEAVE HOME, YOU MUST
WEAR A MASK. 

Common allowable exceptions:



You are under the age of 3



You are actively eating or drinking



You are vigorously exercising outdoors and not close to anyone else



You are in an enclosed office and alone

Wear a mask. Save lives. Stop the spread.

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DC MURIEL BOWSER, MAYOR

Are DCPS teachers or staff able to offer babysitting or tutoring to DCPS students outside of virtual learning?

Although DCPS does not have a policy specifically addressing babysitting or staff tutoring of DCPS students, the general DC Government ethics rules have strict provisions regarding outside employment and conflicts of interest. Those provisions serve to prohibit staff members from tutoring or babysitting students of a school where the staff member is employed, prohibit staff members from advertising themselves as DCPS employees to make them more competitive for additional earned income, and prohibit the use of District government resources to advertise or promote any outside business activity.

How Will Attendance Be Taken During The All-Virtual Learning At Home Period?

For learning at home, attendance will be recorded based on the student logging into Canvas, DCPS' Learning Management System, each day between 6:00 am and 11:59 pm. Canvas participation will be transferred to a student's Aspen attendance record on a daily basis. Teachers will monitor participa-

tion in live synchronous instruction as well as tracking successful engagement with online learning activities. In the rare cases, if students need to miss a live synchronous class, they should communicate with a teacher about how to make up for missed learning.

How Will I Hear More From DCPS On Operating Status And Access More Information?

You can learn more at DCPSReopenStrong.com that includes information for families and a staff page about SY20-21. You can also visit the DC Public School's homepage at dcps.dc.gov.