

VOORHEESVILLE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

VOORHEESVILLE, NEW YORK 12186



August 22, 2020

VCSD Students and Families,

I am writing to inform you of a shift in the reopening plan that will set the foundations for a safe and instructionally sound school year. The district is going to utilize a phased re-entry schedule for the in-person instruction during the first two student days of the school year (September 10th and 11th).

Phased Re- Entry For September 10th and 11th.

September 10th	September 11th	September 14th
IN- School: Grades K-5, Last Names A-K Grade 6	IN- School: Grades K-5, Last Name L-Z	IN- School: Grades K-6, 10 and 12
Virtual/Remote: Grades 7-12 Family Choice Learners	Virtual/Remote: Grade 6 Grades 7-12 Family Choice Learners	Virtual/Remote: Grades 7,8,9,11 Family Choice Learners

As of September 14th, school will run as scheduled prior the phased re-entry change.

On Sept. 15th, For grades 7-12, this will mark the first day of the three day rotation with grades 7 and 11 in attendance.

The phased reentry days will be used for instruction and to allow students to become acquainted with their teachers and classmates, learn about class expectations, and review the health and safety rules. For the elementary, the phased reentry also acts as orientation days and allows for an increase in individualized attention for the student.

The phased reentry plan allows for grade 6 students to learn and practice both the remote and virtual components of possible 20-21 instructional structures.

Students in grades 7-12 will begin in a virtual model (which is $\frac{2}{3}$ of the new learning structure), providing them with the opportunity to have a full understanding of the new expectations prior to entering the building. Conveniently, this coincides with the BOCES schedule, benefiting our students who attend those programs. It is also important to note that this small delay of in-person instruction at the secondary complex will allow the staff to better prepare the rooms and building for instruction. Although the construction project at the high school looks completed from the outside, many of the rooms and halls have not been released back to the district. Our custodial/maintenance staff have been and are working diligently to prepare the rooms, but they have lost valuable time. Under the current circumstances and the amount of movement that needs to take place, every extra minute will lead us to a stronger, safer, and more effective opening.

On Monday September 14th, the school calendar will be in full swing and students will be in-person based upon their schedule. I do understand that this is a change to the calendar and will have positive and negative impacts. Please understand that this decision was not made lightly, but has been made to allow for the best possible outcomes for our children and students.

Thank you for your understanding.

Sincerely,

Frank Macri

Thursday, September 10th, 2020

- Grades K-5 remote students will be in session.
- Grades K-5 in-Person students, Last Name A-K, will have a phased re-entry/orientation day
- All students in grade 6 will be in-person
- Grades 7-12 will be virtual.

Friday, September 11th, 2020

- Grades K-5 remote students will be in session.
- Grades K-5 in-Person students, Last Name L-Z, will have a phased re-entry/orientation day

- All students in grade 6 will be remote
- Grades 7-12 will be virtual

Monday, September 14th, 2020

- Grades K-5 remote students will be in session.
- Grades K-5 in-Person students will be in session
- All students in grade 6 will be in session
- Grades 7,8,9, and 11 will be virtual.
- Grade 10 and 12 will be in session.

Tuesday, September 15th, 2020

- All learning will be as scheduled.
- Grades 7-12 will be on the start of the three day rotation with grades 7 and 11 in session