

Dear FAW Families,

How is it possible we're just a little more than a week away from the first day of the 2020-2021 school year? With physical distancing and face coverings in place, the amazing faculty and staff will return to the building on Monday to prepare for what will be an experience like none they have ever had before. There is sure to be a flurry of activity with arrangement of classroom spaces and planning for blended learning to accommodate for and engage with both our distance and in-person learners. No matter which location your child will be in for the start of the year, we are so excited to be gathering again as a school family!

Here is some important information about the upcoming week and the plan to hold two Back-to-School events in lieu of our traditional Open House.

### **Back-to-School Visit**

Any family (both in-person and distance learning) that is comfortable with and would like to visit their child's classroom can sign-up for a block of time to do so on Thursday, August 20th. In an effort to minimize the number of people in the building at any one time and to maintain physical distancing, please use this [link](#) to schedule your visit. The purpose of the visit will be to find your new classroom space, say hello to the teacher, and drop off your supplies. When you arrive for your visit, you can proceed directly to the classroom. You do not need to stop by the office unless you need to see Mrs. Bowles for something. Please note that face coverings will be required for everyone over the age of two, and we kindly ask that you honor your scheduled time slot.

### **Back-to-School Virtual**

For those families who prefer not to visit in-person, you are invited to join the homeroom teacher for a virtual Back-to-School Google Meet on Monday, August 24th. This will give students and parents the opportunity to see their teacher(s) and receive a welcome back message. The Google Meet schedule for that day is as follows:

9:00 - Pre-K	9:30 - K	11:30- 1 <sup>st</sup>
12:00- 2 <sup>nd</sup>	12:30- 3 <sup>rd</sup>	1:00- 4 <sup>th</sup>
1:30- 5 <sup>th</sup>	2:00- 6 <sup>th</sup>	
2:30- 7 <sup>th</sup>	3:00- 8 <sup>th</sup>	

Additional information for joining the Google Meet will be shared in a separate communication. If you are unavailable at the scheduled Google Meet time or if you have specific questions that pertain to just your child, please plan to contact the teacher(s) directly.

### **Materials Pick-Up**

On Friday, August 21st families who have chosen the distance learning option will need to come to school to pick-up their child's books and materials, including any devices (Chromebook or iPad) you have requested. We ask that you pull up alongside the curb as you would for car rider drop-off/pick-up and a staff member will deliver the materials to you. Please arrive according to the following schedule:

Family Last Name A-G, 10:00-10:30

Family Last Name H-Z, 10:30-11:00

If you are not available during the scheduled time, you can contact me to make other arrangements.

As we embark on this teaching and learning journey together, I leave you with this quote:

"People working together in a strong community with a shared goal and a common purpose can make the impossible possible."  
— Tom Vilsack

*Ms. Francisco*

After the town hall on Sunday, as families submitted their learning option, updates could be made to classroom assignments. The map now reflects the changes and indicates where classrooms will be located.

