

07-23-2020

A message from SATELLITE HIGH SCHOOL

Hello Returning Scorps and Welcome New Scorps!!!!

**PLEASE REVIEW THE BREVARD PUBLIC SCHOOLS REOPENING OPTIONS BELOW FOR SECONDARY STUDENTS AND WHAT EACH OPTION MEANS FOR SATELLITE HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS.**

**AFTER READING ALL INFORMATION AND OPTIONS BELOW, PLEASE CONTACT A SCHOOL COUNSELOR TO DISCUSS AND DECIDE ON THE BEST OPTION FOR YOUR STUDENT. 321-799-2000**

Please be sure to review the school district's school reopening plan here

<https://www.brevardschools.org/cms/lib/FL02201431/Centricity/Domain/4/Reopening%20and%20CARES%20FINAL.pdf>

First, we want to thank you for your comments, ideas, opinions, and most importantly – your support regarding school opening procedures. On July 14, 2020 the Brevard County School Board approved a block-schedule model for all secondary schools for the 2020-2021 school year. In addition, they also approved a number of attendance and enrollment options for parents and students to consider in light of the COVID-19 crisis and in an attempt to minimize the possibility of exposure for both students and staff. Parents and students should carefully consider the choices they make regarding the variety of options outlined below. If you have any questions please contact the front office. 321-779-2000

- **Satellite High (and all secondary schools) will move to a block schedule.**
  - a. Block Schedule = students take four full-credit, 90 minute classes first semester, and four full-credit, 90 minute classes second semester. Students will earn 1 full high school credit for each SHS class completed each semester.
  - b. If students are taking a 0.5 credit class, they will need an additional 0.5 credit class to equal 1 block. This applies to ALL options: SHS in-person, SHS e-learning, BVS, and Dual Enrollment.
  - c. In the spring, students submitted a schedule request for 7 classes for the 2020-2021 school year. Under a block schedule, they will take an 8<sup>th</sup> class. Every effort will be made to utilize your student's alternate choices, but please understand we may have to schedule them based on class availability.
- **There are now several enrollment choices for parents/guardians to choose from based on their personal preference for student safety and socialization:**

1. **Full-Time Satellite High School student:** under this option, students would be scheduled for 4 classes in each semester with a Satellite High School teacher.
  - a. **Option 1:** In person attendance – students will attend their SHS classes on campus and in person.
  - b. **Option 2:** E-Learning attendance – students will attend their SHS classes from a remote location. THIS OPTION IS NOT SELF-PACED or FLEXIBLE; it is SYNCHRONOUS. Students are expected to login to their class based on its start time during the normal school day.

\*Parents/Guardians may choose the in-person or e-learning option for each individual class – schedule permitting. Students participating in e-learning are expected to be logged in for attendance at the designated class start time – the same as we expect in-person students to be on time in the classroom. The option for in-person or e-learning must be officially selected and honored until officially changed. Students cannot attend a class in person one day and then attend the same class remotely another day. However, due to transportation and timing restrictions, we HIGHLY RECOMMEND that you choose one option or the other for all four classes. Additionally, mid-day transportation is NOT PROVIDED.

2. **Full-Time Brevard Virtual School:** under this option, students will withdraw from Satellite High School and enroll with Brevard Virtual School (BVS) full-time. They will no longer be considered an SHS student. If you are a senior that selects this option, you will graduate from Brevard Virtual School and NOT Satellite High.
3. **Full-Time Dual Enrollment:** Available ONLY to 2021 seniors WITH guidance counselor approval. Under this option, SHS seniors are still SHS students, but they are enrolled in at least 4 high school credits of Dual Enrollment classes and do not report to campus.

\*\*SHS recommends full-time dual enrollment students take 5 high school credit classes. In the event a class needs to be dropped, they would still be enrolled in 4 high school credit classes and considered full-time. If a senior initially enrolls in 4 high school credit classes and has to drop one, they would lose full-time dual enrollment status and need to pick up an equivalent number of credits via SHS or BVS.
4. **Part-time SHS/Part-Time BVS and/or DE:** under this option, students would take some classes at SHS (In-Person attendance or E-Learning attendance), and some classes via Brevard Virtual School\* and/or Dual Enrollment\*\*. Depending on the number of BVS and dual enrollment classes a student wishes to take, it is possible that NO SHS classes will be scheduled during a semester.

\*Brevard Virtual School:

- 1 full-credit Brevard Virtual class = 1 full-credit block class. Students may enroll in as many BVS classes as they wish in a given semester. However, these are asynchronous, self-paced classes.
- As long as students are taking at least 1 full-credit SHS or Dual Enrollment class they will be considered SHS students.

\*\*Dual Enrollment:

- Only available to students in 10<sup>th</sup> grade and older who meet the eligibility requirements. Please check with your guidance counselor if you're interested.
- Under block schedule, 1 full-credit dual enrollment class = 1 full-credit block. Students will need to enroll in either SHS in-person, SHS e-learning, or BVS to complete 4 full-credit blocks.

- **TRANSPORTATION**

**NO MID-DAY TRANSPORTATION WILL BE AVAILABLE.**

For qualified students, bus transportation will be available from home to SHS in the mornings for the start of the day, and from SHS to home at dismissal ONLY. Any additional transportation needs for in-person, e-learning, BVS or Dual Enrollment will need to be provided by the student or student's family.

- **STUDENT SERVICES**

Students with ESE, IEP, and 504 services will be accommodated virtually where possible. However, some services MAY require in-person appointments.

When an official school start date is announced, we will follow with a new date for registration.

Feel free to contact me any time.

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