Antioch High School is dedicated to providing information for our families. This document will provide frequently asked questions. We will update as we receive new and additional information.

Metro Nashville Public Schools has district specific information available at [www.mnps.org/backtoschool](http://www.mnps.org/backtoschool) and a similar FAQ document

**TECHNOLOGY & SUPPLIES**

**How will I get a MNPS provided computer or hotspot?**

MNPS will provide computers and internet hotspots to families who need them. However, there are limited supplies on hand for the start of school and delivery is anticipated in late September. Use this link to sign up [tinyurl.com/bearlaptop](http://tinyurl.com/bearlaptop)
Will there be training on how to use the technology to access our classes?

MNPS will offer training sessions to help students and families learn how to use devices that will be issued to families that need them. The training sessions will be translated in the primary languages spoken in MNPS. Additionally, we are expanding the help desk to better support students and families using technology.

What about technology training for parents?

Definitely! As we receive more information from the district, we will work to ensure that families are prepared for both the virtual and in-person learning environment.

https://www.research.net/r/MNPSpreferencesurvey

Will there be a way that parents can oversee the student learning without having to sit beside them?

Yes. Specific information and training on how parents can oversee Schoology will be available soon.

What do I do if I am having trouble with the technology?

Students should begin by working with Antioch staff, but additional technology support will be offered through the MNPS Help Desk at (615) 269-5956
How do I get access to the MNPS Parent Portal?

You can access the portal on the internet or by app. If you do not have your activation key, contact Tabaitha Harris provide your name and the name of the student in your contact household. In most cases, you will be able to access all of the students from one household with a single login once your account is activated.

Will meals still be offered at no cost for students who are learning virtually?

Antioch will offer no cost breakfasts; however, families will need to apply to receive free or reduced lunches. You can apply here to https://www.myschoolapps.com/Application

What if someone in my family needs crisis or emotional support?

The Social-Emotional well-being of our families is very important to us. Our school and our district have a variety of supports available for virtual intervention. If you need assistance, please inform your Academy Counselor, Academy Principal, or a Teacher, and they will help direct you to assistance for specific needs.
When will school start?

The first day of school is August 4, 2020. Students will attend school virtually and will not report to the school building. We will continue to follow the MNPS District Schedule.

Will there still be Orientations/ Meet the Teacher opportunities before classes begin virtually?

Absolutely! It is important to us that we maintain our culture and community regardless of the learning style. Antioch will host a virtual Student Orientation July 29, 2020 at 6pm
https://tinyurl.com/y2mlwgc7

When will we get to go into the school building?

We will be working virtually until at least September 7, 2020. Metro Schools will continue to monitor the spread of COVID-19 in consultation with the Metro Health Department to determine when it is safe for in-person education, following the Mayor’s roadmap for reopening when possible. Key factors will include the rate of community spread, with the goal of being at or below an R0 of 1. Decisions will be communicated at least two weeks prior to a shift back to in-person classes so that students and staff can appropriately prepare.

Will we be given the choice or returning to school or remaining virtual?

MNPS has stated that families will have the opportunity to choose between virtual and in-person classes. Please fill out the survey below to assist the district on your family’s choice.
https://www.research.net/r/MNPSpreferencesurvey.
If a student chooses the virtual option for the semester, will they be able to change their mind?

No, once a student has made the choice to receive their education virtually or in-person, their choice will be for the semester. This will allow the school to have appropriate staffing for each learning platform.

What will Schedules look like at Antioch this year?

All zoned high schools (like Antioch) will follow a 4x4 schedule. Instead of having the typical A/B schedule, students will now have 4 classes each semester that students will attend all five days. This would be like taking all their A classes in the Fall and all of their B classes in the Spring. For example, a student would have English, Art, Chemistry, and PE in the Fall and would attend all five days. During the second semester, the student would take Math, History, Computer Apps, and CTE. Log into Infinite Campus for updates and to view your schedule.

Students will complete one full year of learning in one semester. There will be semester exams at the end of every 9 weeks.

Our goal is to balance the schedules in order that students do not have all their heavy academic courses in the same semester.

How will my classes be arranged in the 4x4 design?

Our goal is to balance the student schedules so that a student does not have all their academic requirements in one semester and electives in another.

If a student has a main class (like Math) in the first semester of the 4x4 schedule, how can we ensure that they are prepared for the next level of the course a year later?
Students who would like additional enrichment in a specific subject can request that subject as their PLT.

**Will Freshman who are double blocked for English and Math have those courses in both semesters?**

Yes, for Math Integrated Math IA and IB will be double blocked. English I and English I-Link will be double blocked as well.

**When will we get our schedules?**

Schools are working to redesign their Master Schedule to reflect the 4x4 design. As we have the schedules designed and balanced, they will be loaded to Infinite Campus so that families will have the ability to access them.

**What if there is a problem with my schedule?**

Students will contact their academy school counselor for any issues aligned to their schedule.

**How will I know who to ask when I have questions?**

Each student at Antioch will be assigned to a Personalized Learning Time (PLT) class. The PLT teacher will help the student directly when possible and will also act as a resource for connecting the student with district level assistance when necessary.

**CLASSES**

**Why has Metro Schools adopted a standardized curriculum for learning?**

MNPS will be utilizing the Florida Virtual School Curriculum as a standardized basis of learning for all students. The purpose of this is to ensure that all students, regardless of learning platform, have
parity and consistency in their offerings. Schools have the opportunity to enhance this curriculum.

**What about Cambridge, AP, Dual Enrollment, and Dual Credit?**

All our advanced academic classes will take place as previously offered. MNPS is working with our partners at Nashville State for Dual Enrollment options. Please contact your academy School Counselor.

**What if I am taking a semester long class (like Government/Economics)?**

Classes that were initially scheduled to be a semester long will now take place over 9 weeks.

**What about courses like Band and Theater that would like to meet for the entire school year?**

These courses will meet for credit one semester of the year. Students who would like to continue their experience in a course may have opportunities during their PLT and/or after school activities.

**What platform will I use to access the online learning?**

High School students will access their learning through Schoology.

**Will attendance be taken?**

Yes. Antioch will monitor that students have logged in to the system DAILY (M-F), and standard truancy rules will apply.

**While we are learning virtually, will I get to talk to a live teacher?**
All classes will have both synchronous (together live) and asynchronous (by yourself) learning times. The specifics of this are still in process, but there will be designated times where students can work live with the instructor and/or their classmates to enhance or clarify their learning.

**How long will the school day be? How long will I have to sit in the class?**

Teachers will have set hours that they are teaching synchronously with students in attendance. This learning will also be recorded; students can choose to attend virtually (asynchronously) later. The amount of time that a student spends virtually “in class” with a teacher will depend upon their need for the synchronous/asynchronous learning.

**What about Semester Exams?**

Semester exams will take place at the end of the first 9 weeks in a course.

*If the class has an assessment at the end (like an EOC, Cambridge, or AP test), when will the test be given?*

Tests will still take place and will be given at the end of the course where possible. Students who cannot take the exam close to the end of their course will be offered time during PLT to connect with their teacher to reinforce learning.

**How will IEP/504 Plans be handled in a virtual environment?**

All students will have equitable access to core content provided by teachers. There are teams working to provide materials and supports that are differentiated and focused on meeting each student’s need.

For students with an IEP or a 504 plan, we are developing a COVID-19 Continuous Learning Individualized Plan (CLIP) that you should receive by August 4. The CLIP will identify how MNPS intends to
implement the services and supports outlined in your child's IEP or Section 504 Plan when we are in a virtual setting. It is our goal that students are learning the first day of school (August 4) and that students are being assessed for any regression that has occurred during school closures. Teachers and related service providers will begin supporting access to core content and interventions as well as related services at the start of the school year. School staff will establish a schedule of ongoing check-ins and expectations for parent communication. School teams will continue to collect data and monitor your child's progress to determine if their needs are being met. For students engaged in transition activities, school staff will explain how employment and community-based instruction will be addressed as a result of the Metro Health Department’s order that mandates what phase the city is in.

How will English Learners services be provided with online instruction?

EL services will continue to occur daily from certified EL teachers in the virtual setting. EL services align with grade-level standards and curriculum. Schools select service models from district service model options based on each student’s English proficiency level and Individual Learning Plan (ILP). The service model selected in a regular setting carries over to the virtual setting. ELs with more than one WIDA ACCESS domain score below 3.5 shall receive one hour per day of virtual ELs service from an EL teacher (sheltered ELD/ELA class, co-teaching, or services during PLT). Students scoring 3.5 or above on WIDA ACCESS composite, reading, writing, and one (1) other domain on the WIDA ACCESS and ELs in kindergarten scoring between 20 and 27 on all domains of the W-APT may have services tailored to their needs, including fewer hours of virtual EL direct instruction based on their ILP, skills-based interventions, and other services that are differentiated for each EL.

What do I do if I need to recover a credit?

Students will contact their academy counselor to verify classes needed to take in Edgenuity.