



# Franklin Public Schools

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Dear Franklin Families,

I am writing today to share the FPS Reopening Proposal (attached) that outlines a proposed remote start with a phased transition to a hybrid model for the 2020-2021 school year. This proposal has been submitted to the School Committee for discussion and action through a vote on Tuesday, August 11. As this is a fluid situation, the plan may be amended. The Final Reopening Plan for FPS will be submitted to DESE by Friday, August 14.

Last weekend I wrote to indicate that we submitted the preliminary reopening plans for all three instructional models (in-person, hybrid, and remote) to the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education with a leaning towards starting the 2020-2021 school year in a remote fashion. In that update I wrote, “by opening in a fully remote way, we will be able to spend the next several weeks building a strong virtual learning environment with an overall goal to have as many students and staff return safely to school. We will build towards a hybrid of in-person and remote instruction in a phased way. We will monitor the efficacy of remote learning and we will examine readiness for students to be present in-person at benchmark dates.”

I wish to thank community members for sharing questions and comments. We are continuing to update our FAQs based on the questions we receive. Email volume has been very high and we appreciate your patience as we try to respond.

Please continue to send questions to [reopening@franklinps.net](mailto:reopening@franklinps.net) and we will incorporate your questions into our FAQ page.

Sincerely,

Franklin Public Schools

*Please contact the Superintendent's Office at 508-553-4819 with questions.  
Alternatively, you can e-mail [reopening@franklinps.net](mailto:reopening@franklinps.net) as noted above.*