

# JACOBS SCHOOL BLUE NOTES

January 29, 2021

## A Note from the Principal

As we temporarily transition to a fully-remote model, I would like to reiterate remote expectations. Students will follow their remote schedule provided by their classroom teacher. They are expected to be dressed, sitting at a desk or table with their school materials, and participating appropriately. We recognize that a fully-remote model requires different teaching and learning approaches and can be very challenging at times, *but we are prepared to learn anywhere!* Thank you in advance for the support and help you provide your child to make our remote model work.

The school office will be open for materials pickup should a teacher request that students access specific class supplies.

Please reach out if you have any questions about our remote learning model.

If your child exhibits any symptoms or they get tested, please contact Ms. Keegan.

Take care,

*~Mrs. Cappadona*

## What about the Read-A-Thon?

We have decided to postpone (not cancel!) the Read-a-thon. It's truly one of the most exciting weeks of the school year for many of our students and we'd like to provide them with the full experience when we return to in-person learning. The staff and PTO have created many fun incentives and activities that will take place throughout the week that cannot be replicated remotely. Please hold on to your Read-a-thon packets as we will use them during this year's Read-a-thon. We will make sure to announce the rescheduled dates as soon as they are established.

## Mark Your Calendar!

Jan 29-Feb 5—Remote Learning  
Feb 8—Return to In-Person Learning  
Feb 10, 24—Remote Wednesday  
Feb 15—Presidents Day  
Feb 15-19—February Vacation  
Feb 26—12:15 Dismissal

## Notes on Virtual Meetings

During this temporary fully remote period and throughout the year, teachers and staff will hold virtual class meetings using the district Go-to-Meeting platform.

### Student Expectations for Virtual Meetings:

- Find a space that is quiet and away from distractions
- Mute yourself upon entry into a remote meeting and stay muted unless speaking
- Classroom and school rules still apply
- Respect each other
- One person talks at a time
- Raise your hand if you have a question or need to respond
- Do not record, save, share or post the session
- If you or your parents/guardians do not agree to these rules, please disconnect from the session and contact your teacher for an alternate learning opportunity

**Unfortunately, we will not be exchanging Valentine cards in school this year.** 😞

## Distance Learning Outlines: February 1-5

These links will bring you to the Distance Learning Outlines for each grade level. We will update the outlines each week and post the links in the Blue Notes. Please email your teachers with any questions.

[Preschool](#)

[Kindergarten](#)

[Grade 1](#)

[Grade 2](#)

[Grade 3](#)

[Grade 4](#)

[Grade 5](#)



**Flu Shots for Students**

Thank you to all who have already returned their flu documentation to the school. At this time the Massachusetts Department of Public Health is removing the requirement for flu vaccination for attendance in childcare/preschool, primary, secondary and postsecondary education. Preliminary data show that this has been a mild flu season to date, presumably as people have received their seasonal flu vaccine and have been adhering to mask-wearing and social distancing due to COVID-19. DPH continues to strongly recommend that everyone age six months and older receive their seasonal flu vaccine each year.

**COVID-19 Testing**

Manet Health Center in Hull is now offering COVID-19 testing on Wednesdays.

Please see the attached flyer for specific information.

**Travel Guidelines**

To help prevent the spread of illness, all members of the Hull Public Schools community have a shared responsibility that extends beyond our schools and into our homes. It is crucial that we all remain committed to the current health and safety guidelines to keep students, staff and families safe. If your family plans to travel outside of Massachusetts. Please refer to the **COVID-19 Travel Order** as described in the link below for protocols on returning to Massachusetts. As always, please contact your school nurse for any questions and/or concerns. Thank you.

<https://www.mass.gov/info-details/covid-19-travel-order>

***WANTED: RAD PHOTOS!***



Please email photos of your RAD Pirates learning at home in their Core Value T-Shirts or school colors to Mr. Shaw at [kshaw@town.hull.ma.us](mailto:kshaw@town.hull.ma.us) Photos will be featured in our next Spirit Day Video!

**Meal pick-up will be available for all  
Jacobs School Students  
At Memorial Middle School**

With the news of the Jacobs School going all remote through February 7<sup>th</sup>, we want to ensure that all students are offered breakfast and lunch daily. Meals can be picked up on Mondays and Wednesdays at Memorial School, 81 Central Avenue (lower door in the front of the building) between 10:00-11:00am.

Although it is not required, it would help the staff with the meal planning, if you could sign up using the link below, if you plan to pick-up meals on either day or both days.

Click this link <https://forms.gle/thSVttLhsTGTAipz5> and choose the "Jacobs School Remote" option.

If you have any other questions or concerns please contact Patty Gardiner at 781-925-4400 X1112 or by email [pgardiner@town.hull.ma.us](mailto:pgardiner@town.hull.ma.us)

**PTO Meeting February 3 at 7:00 pm via Zoom.**  
Please email Caryn O'Connor at [secretary@hullpto.org](mailto:secretary@hullpto.org)  
for the zoom meeting ID and password