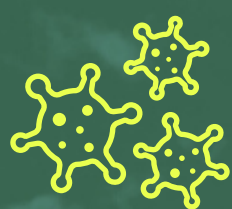


WHAT'S NEW FOR 2021-2022



COVID-19 AND SCHOOL OPERATIONS

Face-to-face instruction is the default option for all FCS students. Although rapidly evolving, COVID-19 health guidelines will be followed with face coverings mandated on buses and remaining optional for students and staff in our facilities when conditions allow based on local data.

BUILDING THE BRIDGE TO SUCCESS

The district will implement its Bridge plan, a multi-year program to address learning disruption and ensure the safety of all. A major plank is its literacy initiative, which specifically addresses and transforms the district's approach to literacy instruction.



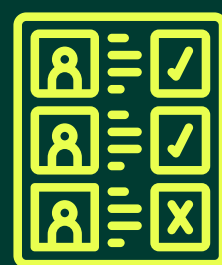
OPENING THREE NEW SCHOOLS



Fulton County Schools' Global Impact Academy and Innovation Academy are STEM-focused high schools offering instruction in engineering, health science, and information technology. The Fulton Academy of Virtual Excellence will serve students in grades 3-11 in a 100% online environment.

ATTENDANCE POLICY

Parents/guardians will be notified more often on absences whether a student is excused or unexcused. Families will be notified of student absences via daily robocalls. Multiple absences will receive letters and staff will follow up with supportive interventions.



LATE START DAYS

On these days, classes start one hour later than usual for students so that faculty and staff can participate in Professional Learning opportunities. Students who arrive early will participate in supervised activities until the school day begins.

'START WITH HELLO' CAMPAIGN

This program promotes connectedness and inclusion. With the pandemic creating isolation due to disrupted social interaction, FCS seeks to help students reacclimate with their peers through student success skills in clubs and other activities.



BILL OF RIGHTS

The Fulton County Board of Education is committed to its stakeholders and strongly believes that their voice matters. Students, teachers, and parents across the district created a Bill of Rights intended to support an environment of reciprocal accountability for each group.

BREAKFAST/LUNCH FEES

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) has waived fees so all students will continue to receive meals at no charge for the 2021-22 school year, allowing school nutrition professionals to focus on nourishing children for success.



HERE COMES THE BUS

Parents and students are encouraged to sign-up for our free 'Here Comes the Bus' app that allows students and parents to track their bus in real time. Alerts notify parents when the bus is just a few blocks away from the bus stop, offering safety for students and peace of mind for parents.

FCS NEWS WEBSITE

All the latest FCS news headlines and feature stories have been consolidated into one easy-to-navigate website. Be sure to bookmark this site and visit regularly to find: Daily Updates, Academic News, Sports News, Music & Arts News, School Board News and more.

