



February 26, 2021

Dear Tilden Family,

I want to thank everyone who was able to attend Wednesday's Town Hall meeting. I hope that we were able to answer many of your questions. For those of you whose schedule did not permit you to join us, the links and the presentation are posted on our website. As we get closer to in-person instruction, I will be sharing a lot of information with you. Please remember that all of my weekly communication letters, along with critical updates and links are posted on our [Tilden Website](#).

Calendar:

- **February 26th:** Last day for families to contact the school to request changes from original selection.
- **March 8th:** Professional Day for Teachers, No School for Students
- **March 1st - 12th:** Blackout period, no changes to preferences, schedule finalized
- **March 9th – 11th:** Asynchronous Days for Students
- **March 12th:** Half-Day for Students
- **March 15th:** Re-open for Signature Programs
- **March 29th - April 2nd:** Spring Break

Parent Survey Change:

- Below is the Google Form that you can use to switch from virtual to in-person, or from in-person to virtual. Today is the last day for parents to change their survey choice.
- Students who change from virtual to in-person will be placed on a waitlist. Parents will be notified when an in-person space becomes available.
- Request Form: [Request to Change Learning Preference](#)

Chromebooks:

- MCPS Chromebooks will be provided to students who have been using their own personal devices.
- Students will not be able to bring their own device to school.

Buses:

- The bus schedule will be released around March 1st. The information will be posted on the Tilden website and on the MCPS website.

Signature Program Parent Meeting

- A virtual parent meeting for our students in the Learning For Independence, Aspergers, and Hours Based Programs will take place on Thursday, March 4th at 7:00 pm.
- Here is the Webinar link:

Please click the link below to join the webinar:

<https://mcpsmd.zoom.us/j/87037865452?pwd=RWNSSSTdFMVU1ZFIBcVVSRRDRDVFlpZz09>

Webinar ID: 870 3786 5452

Passcode: 236485

Or iPhone one-tap :

US: +1301-715-8592,=236485#

Answers to Town Hall Meeting Questions:

- Tilden students who attend Walter Johnson High School in the morning and are returning to Tilden for in-person instruction will only report to Tilden and will attend their WJ HS classes virtually.
- Students will have to keep their masks on all day, unless they are eating lunch at their own desk.
- On short weeks, Wednesday becomes an instructional day (A or B day).
- The building will be cleaned daily.
- The windows open, the filters are new, and an additional purifier will be provided to the Health Room.
- MCPS will provide us with information regarding COVID testing, attestation forms, and travel implications for staff and students.
- Students might not be able to eat outside, as they would have to sit on the ground, but we will explore this option once students return.
- Students will not be able to switch Blue and Gold teams based on friend requests. We will help students create new friendships; we understand that this is a very stressful time for all of our Timberwolves.

Wishing you a lovely weekend,

Irina LaGrange