

1. Is the school going to ask the kids who choose option A and/or faculty and staff to take a COVID 19 test or antibody test?

No. Students, faculty, and staff will be encouraged, but not required, to be tested.

2. If we choose option A, but for some reason, we don't feel comfortable travel in crowding trains, can we change to option B later in the school year?

We would like you to make a selection from September 8 through Thanksgiving. If you would like to change your choice before Thanksgiving, you will need to speak with Ms. Knowlton and Ivan.

3. Will the school be providing private transportation (a school bus) for kids?

We will not provide transportation.

4. Will the school provide masks if needed?

Students must arrive to school in a mask, and we encourage them to wear masks while they commute as well. This will reduce exposure for our entire community. We will have some extra masks at school in case one is lost, soiled, or ripped throughout the day, but in general, families must provide their own masks.

5. Has the school made any upgrades to the filtration system?

The school building is quite new and our HVAC system is more advanced than most other NYC schools. The HVAC contractors have visited the school several times this summer to do maintenance and perform updates for the upcoming school year, even as recently as this past Monday. Per the advice of doctors and our building's architects, we will keep windows and doors open to provide fresh air during the day.

6. How will the school be cleaned?

Our superintendent, Donald Albert, has been keeping the school clean for years. Our faculty and students' respect for the building helps him in his effort. The school will be cleaned according to the specifications of local and national guidelines.

7. Who will be the "go to" personnel for medical concerns?

We urge you NOT to send your student to school if they are feeling even slightly ill the night before or the morning of school or if their temperature is above 100.0 degrees in the morning before school. Ivan, Ms. Knowlton, Ms. Warren, and Ms. Duncan will be on hand to help. We will designate a separate area for students who are not feeling well and who are waiting to be picked up.

8. If students select Option A, but they are sick for the day, can they log into classes from home that day?

Yes.

9. What sports will the students play?

The sports program from 1:00-3:00 will feature soccer, lacrosse, and other field sports at Randall's Island and in Central Park.

10. Can I pack my own lunch?

No, unless your student has an allergy and has been approved to bring their own lunch.