

ARMS FAQ Document for Parents and Students

Note: Check this document often as it will be updated when/if plans change.

Notes for the Start of the 2020-2021 School Year

- All students will participate in a remote learning orientation the week of Sept. 8-10.
- School will start remotely for all students on Sept.14.
- The week of Sept.28th students will be participating in an in-person orientation with their homeroom cohort for one full day.
- The week of Oct.5 student learning will shift to the learning choice that they made with the front office (remote or in-person)
- This year attendance will be taken during all classes and learning will be moving forward. Students must participate in class meets and complete assignments as if they were in school, even if they are remote.
- When students are learning from home, parents should plan for a quiet place for their child to participate in remote learning. This will ensure the privacy of other members of their home as well as help the child focus on their learning.
- If you have multiple children working remotely, it will be important to provide them with their own space for Google Meets so that each child can fully engage in their lesson without distractions.

Logistical Questions

What are the Chrome book distribution dates?

ARMS students are invited to pick up chrome books outside the front entrance according to the following schedule:

Date	Time	Students by Last Names
9/8/20	11am-1pm 4pm-6pm	A-F Any one who can't pick up during the day and parents with students with different last names.
9/9/20	11am-1pm	G-N
9/10/20	11am-1pm 4pm-6pm	O-Z Any one who can't pick up during the day and parents

		with students with different last names.
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How will I get in if I'm remote?

Teachers will be hosting "virtual orientation days" next week, Sept.8-10, to help students become oriented with remote learning.

In addition, we will be holding a virtual parent tech meeting on Sept.10 at 1:00pm via Zoom in collaboration with our Dean of Students and school staff. A link will be sent to parents via email 24hrs before this meeting.

What do I do if I get kicked out of the Google Meet or my technology fails?

If you lose connectivity, please try to reconnect to the meet. If you cannot connect, please reach out to the teacher as soon as your connection is restored so that you can make up any work missed. You are responsible for completing the assignments you miss.

When will I get lunch if remote?

During remote learning at the start of the year, while everyone is remote, lunches will be dropped off at bus stops as they were during the spring and summer.

Once students return to school, remote students will have pick-up spots around town to pick up their lunches from. Those locations will be announced soon and posted on the district website.

How is the HVAC system at ARMS?

The HVAC system has been checked and is functioning properly at ARMS.

What are the chemicals in the fogger?

Chlorine, just like in pool water. A fine mist is sprayed over the the space to disinfect it.

Can I change my child from one plan to a different one?

Yes, but this will take about a week for the change to go into effect. Please contact the office if you need to change your child's learning option.

How do I turn in start of the year paperwork?

We will have drop box locations outside of the school building during school hours from Sept.14-Sept.22. Please drop materials in the box.

What happens if a child is suspected of having covid?

Our first line of defense is parents at home. Please do not send your child to school if they are exhibiting symptoms of covid.

If a child presents with symptoms at school, a teacher will notify the nurse. The nurse will then escort the student to the safe room and evaluate their symptoms. The student will have brought

their Chrome book with them so that they can continue their work remotely. Their caregiver will be contacted and the student will remain in the safe room, supervised by a staff member, until their parent is able to pick them up.

Remote Learning

What time will the kids need to be logged in?

Students will be following the normal school day schedule. They will have links to lessons for each of their classes via Google Meet. They are expected to login at the start of class, participate in the lesson, and then remain logged in while completing their assignments in case they have questions about their assignments. Lessons will be interactive and assignments will be both online and offline activities that students complete individually and in small groups.

Once some students return to in-person learning, this plan will remain in place and teachers will stream their in-person lessons to remote learners.

What will their day look like (this applies to both remote and in-person learning):

The schedule may change a bit because some of our buses may need to run double runs due to capacity limits which will shift our times slightly and may shorten class periods.

Sample Schedule of the day:

5th and 6th Grade Sample Schedule

Period	Subject
7:30-7:53	Homeroom & Advisory
7:56-8:51	Math
8:52-9:47	Science
9:48-10:43	Unified Arts
10:44-11:07	Lunch and Break
11:08-12:03	ELA
12:04-12:59	Extensions
1:00-1:55	ELA

7th and 8th Grade Sample Schedule

Period	Subject
7:30-7:53	Homeroom & Advisory
7:56-8:51	ELA
8:52-9:47	Math
9:48-10:43	Science
10:44-11:39	Social Studies
11:40-12:35	Unified Arts
12:35-1:00	Lunch and break
1:00-1:55	Extensions

What am I expected to do this year if I am remote?

Again, all students are expected to fully participate in Google Meets and submit their digital assignments via Google Classroom. You must be logged in and actively participating in all Google Meets.

What supplies will I need?

Students will need chrome books, pencils, notebook, crayons/markers/colored pencils, possibly math manipulatives, workbooks for ELA and math. Some basic supplies will be sent home with students during Chrome Book pick up. When students return to in-person learning they will be required to bring their Chrome Books, workbooks, and supplies to school with them.

What do we do if our child has an appointment and has to leave (remote learning) early or not be in at all?

Please follow our school's attendance and tardy policy and call the office to report your child's absence or early dismissal as you would if they were in school.

In-Person Learning

How will busing work?

Closest students will be picked up last. Farthest students will be picked up and dropped off first. In the afternoon this will be reversed.

How will kids get into the building?

5% will use the front door and be dropped off second by the bus company.

7/8 will use the side doors and be dropped off first by the bus company.

Students will be greeted by an administrator and a guidance counselor who will check for masks and administer hand sanitizer.

Where will students store their backpacks?

Lockers will be off limits this year, so students will hang their backpacks from the back of their chairs so that they have easy access to their materials.

What classrooms will look like?

Classrooms seat 15-17 students at this time with desks close to 6-ft apart.

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Teachers will move from class to class.

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The students will be assigned specific stairwells to utilize throughout the day.

They will be following one-way traffic patterns in the hallways.

They will be practicing 6-ft distancing in the hallways and on the stairs.

How will the bathrooms work?

Only 1 child let out at a time from classroom

Child signs out on a Google Form, keeps form open, enters return time when they return and hits submit at that point. This will track who was in the bathroom when in a Google Sheet.

Single Use Bathroom Passes will be utilized.

No bathroom usage during transitions.

Bathroom or hall monitors utilized, teachers near bathrooms to also keep an eye on the capacity regularly.

When will kids be able to wash hands?

Students will be able to wash their hands when they are using the bathroom or if they are in classrooms with sinks.

Students will be sanitizing their hands every time they enter and leave a classroom.