



A message from
INDIAN HILL HIGH SCHOOL

Dear Indian Hill High School Braves:

Welcome to the 2020-2021 Brave Return to School. We are so excited to see our students for what we know is going to be an incredible experience.

As you are aware, school is going to look a little differently than it has in the past. We want to begin with this quick video to let you see some of the changes you can expect. Click the image below to launch the video.



As previously communicated, our District will be opening beginning Thursday, August 27 in Plan B.

- We will remain in the Plan B (hybrid model) for the first two weeks of school, and evaluate our plan by September 10.
- By September 10, if we are still in the Orange level, and other health data are trending positive, we would communicate a shift to Plan A, 5 days per week in person, to start September 14. (Should indicators trend in a negative direction, we would assess any required or necessary shift as well.)

What does Plan B look like for your student?

Hybrid learning is a mixture of in-person instruction and online distance learning. Students will be in smaller groups (half their class size) during their in-person days and will be provided additional instruction in an asynchronous manner by their Indian Hill teacher(s) throughout the week. Hybrid learning allows for additional social distancing in the classroom, which is a critical risk mitigation strategy. Communication was already sent assigning your student to either Team 1 on Mondays and Tuesdays or Team 2 on Thursdays and Fridays.

If your student is on Team 2, he/she will be face-to-face in our building both Thursday, August 27 and Friday, August 28. While we remain in Plan B, your student will attend on Thursdays and Fridays.

If your student is on Team 1, she/he will be face-to-face in our building beginning Monday, August 31 and Tuesday, September 1. While we remain in Plan B, your student will attend on Mondays and Tuesdays.

Important note: The first experience we want your child to have with our educators for our face-to-face educational model is in-person. We want our educators to have the opportunity to meet and greet your student with get-to-know sessions, much like we have planned for our students who will be attending our new Brave Virtual Academy learning model. Additionally, our students will need some instruction about how to access distance learning materials prior to successfully completing tasks in an asynchronous manner. As such, our Team 1 students will start their school year with face-to-face instruction on August 31 and September 1 and will not have distance learning responsibilities until Thursday, September 3.

Brave Virtual Academy

The first day of school for students in Brave Virtual Academy is Thursday, August 27. However, as we work through each student's personalized learning plan, there will be some situations where students will start on Monday, August 31 to allow for consultation time with a counselor and a Brave Virtual Academy liaison to finalized the student's schedule and enrollment into each course. Each student will receive communication from their assigned teacher in preparation for this start date.

Attendance

For all students, whether in-person or in Brave Virtual Academy, parents/guardians should report absences to the school attendance line at (513) 272 - 4705 or email us at ihhs.attendance@ihsd.us by 9:00 a.m.

Families should feel supported in making decisions for students to remain at

home if symptoms related to COVID-19 are present. School districts have been given great flexibility for how parents can report illnesses, such as having a doctor's note or a parent report. However, school districts have been given strict guidelines for recording student attendance. Part of this guidance is our responsibility to track attendance for all school circumstances, including within Brave Virtual Academy and asynchronous days of instruction in Plan B. Our face-to-face time with students is precious; thank you in advance for scheduling any necessary appointments for students on asynchronous instructional days in Plan B.

High School Arrival

To help minimize opportunities for students to congregate, we will be asking our Braves to utilize a variety of entry points as they come into school.

- Students in the Class of 2023, 2024 who will be dropped off are asked to enter through the science neighborhood entrance.
- Students in the Class of 2022, 2021 who will be dropped off are asked to enter through the main lobby.
- Students who will be riding the bus are asked to enter through the Athletic Wing.
- Please refer to the IHHS Entrance Diagram [HERE](#).

PickUp Patrol

We are very excited to share with you our District's plan to ensure all Braves, from our staff to our students, are healthy before coming to campus. PickUp Patrol (PUP), which has been used at Indian Hill Primary School and Indian Hill Elementary School in past years for transportation purposes, offers a daily health screener for schools. As part of our Brave Return to School safety protocols, our District will utilize this tool for the 2020-2021 school year to conduct at-home health screenings.

As a parent-guardian, you will use the PickUp Patrol app to screen your student each morning before leaving for school.

You will receive an alert by 7:15 a.m. reminding you to complete this process before sending your student to school. You will be asked a few COVID-19 risk-related questions. Based on your answers, your student will either receive a response to proceed to school or to follow the provided instructions. Your responses will be monitored by authorized school administrators.

Please note: Any student who does not have a response registered within PUP will be removed from class on arrival, and a health screening will be conducted. We appreciate your assistance in completing the PUP questions before arrival.

Bus Route Information

If you selected for your student to ride the bus, you will need to go to [this link](#) to access your student's bus route. Instructions are included within the site on how to access this information.

You will soon receive a PUP welcome letter directly from the PUP system with your registration information. It will guide you through the process.

GO BRAVES!



Dedicated to the success of our Braves,

Mr. Jeffrey M. Damadeo
Principal



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My #IHPromise - to work tirelessly for our students, providing them with the most exceptional educational opportunities & experiences to help ensure that they are not only simply great academic students upon graduating but also develop into fine young men and women.



Drew Renner, Assistant Principal
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My #IHPromise - to apply my full effort, while working alongside my team, to provide an exceptional high school experience while encouraging students to be great people and great scholars.



Brian Phelps, Athletic Director
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My #IHPromise - to provide the best athletic experience possible for our student-athletes and to be a servant leader to our students, our coaches, and to our community.



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We are a campus committed to kindness; [click here](#) to report an incident, and administrators will be notified.

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