ANSWERS TO FAQ REGARDING MADFUN REOPENING

Students hours are 7:45A- 1:55P K5 and 7:45- 2:15 MS. Students can enter campus starting at 7:15A.

DUE TO COVID: DROP OFF AND PICK UP ARE FROM CAR LINE ONLY

Part of being a good steward in our community is respecting the wishes of local businesses. The business community (Publix Shopping Center, Walgreen's, McDonald's, Chase Bank, and Extra Space Storage, and our friends at the Fisherman's Ideal Supply House) and local neighborhood request that you do not direct your children to be dropped off or picked up from their locations before or after school. Some families block driveways to residences and or/the entrances/exits to businesses. They also use the businesses as a second or third car line which discourages patronage from the community. It also prevents their staff from reporting to work on time. Additionally, students may not look out for motorists who sometimes don't see them, so safety is a strong concern. Staff are not available to monitor appropriate student behaviors. The school is in lock step with the businesses and do not advocate parking in private parking lots.

As a friendly reminder, our school begins at 7:45 AM. The elementary student day ends at 1:55PM. The middle school day ends at 2:15 PM. (Do not drop off your child before 7:15 AM. The latest student pick up times are 2:25 PM K5, and 2:45 PM middle grades).

Please be mindful that our school hosts an onsite before and after school program provided by the YMCA. They can be reached at 727.895.9622 if you are in need of after care. This program is especially helpful for our families who need child care during the windows of time when the school is not in session.

Friendly car line reminders:

- 1. Use a dashboard name sign at student pick up. This is especially helpful so those calling names can just walk by your car and say your last name without stopping to ask you to roll down a window.
- 2. Please remember to close all gaps and always pull forward when directed.
- 3. Use a left turn signal to pass out of the line, and have your students drop off/ pick up ready with backpacks, folders, and music instruments in hand, and ready to exit or enter their vehicle.
- 4. At no time should students enter vehicles from the driver's side, nor should you get out of your vehicles when using car line.
- 5. At no time should students ever walk across parking lots without an adult to chaperone them.
- 6. Please refrain from cell phone use when the car is in motion.

Where do students get dropped off in the mornings?

We ask students to do not arrive to school prior to 7:15A, and when arriving not congregate due to social distancing guidelines. If arriving before 7:15A we ask that you remain in your car with your child. **Parents will not be allowed to park and walk up. There will be no walk ups at this time.**

K5- At 7:15A students arrive using red loop and are dropped off at the elementary arrival gate. They will sit at distanced at the covered PE court. Students should arrive with a mask on and practice social distancing. At 7:30A students will report to their classroom. Class begins at 7:45A. **MS**- At 7:15A students will arrive using the blue loop and be dropped off anyplace across the front of the school. Students will report be distanced and report to the MS cafeteria. Students should arrive with a mask on and practice social distancing. At 7:30A students will report to their classroom via the Dolphin gate until 7:45A. (After 7:45A students can only enter thru the front office). Class begins at 7:45A

What time are students allowed on campus?

7:15A

What if students arrive at school prior to 7:15A?

Families should remain with their student in their car.

Where do the students go for breakfast?

All breakfasts will be pre-packaged and available via a bag, clamshell box or a wrapped serving plate as a "Grab and Go" breakfast. Students will have a choice of a hot or cold entrée, choice of milk flavor, fruit choice and an orange juice.

K5 breakfast will be served by cart at the elementary car circle by the gate, and students will sit at the benches. At 7:30A students needing breakfast will bring breakfast to class.

MS breakfast will be served in MS Cafeteria using a cart at 7:15A. At 7:30A students needing breakfast will receive their breakfast at the MS cafeteria and bring their breakfast to class.

Will students get breakfast if they are tardy?

If a student arrives after 7:45A breakfast may not be available.

<u>Parent/ Student Wellness Expectations:</u> Each day parents will be asked to assess their child's health before bringing them to school. Students with any of the following symptoms should not come to school:

- Temperature above 100.4/chills
- Vomiting or gastrointestinal issues
- Chronic cough/shortness of breath
- Loss of taste or smell
- In general, if your child is not well, they should stay home
- Been in close contact (15 minutes or more at less than 6 ft) with someone diagnosed with Covid-19 in the past 14 days

If a student exhibits any of these symptoms while at school they will receive care in a space away from other students and staff. A separate clinic space will be utilized for everyday student care. Parents will be called to pick up their child immediately

Face Masks: Each student is required to wear a mask. Masks and lanyards will be provided, however students may wear their own personal masks. Masks must cover their mouth and nose. Students must be masked before entering campus. Masks may not have any inappropriate words or visuals. Students will have mask breaks throughout the day.

<u>**Cleaning:**</u> Each day our school will be thoroughly cleaned using a rigorous protocol outlined by our District. Our plant operators will also be cleaning high touch surfaces throughout the day.

Teachers will be provided with their own individual, safety approved sanitizing products so that classrooms can be wiped down throughout the day.

Classroom/school Environment: Classrooms have been arranged to optimize social distancing guidelines. In classrooms with tables student seating will be separated with plexiglass shields. Waterless soap stations are located throughout the campus to ensure that students clean their hands throughout the day. Teachers will require students to clean their hands before and after all transitions. Students may bring their own sanitizer to school and will have access to it throughout the day. Students will transition to the art/music/ PE areas for specials.

Lunch: All lunches will be pre-packaged and available via a clamshell box or a wrapped serving plate. Students will have a choice of: • a hot entrée, cold sandwich, peanut butter and Jelly, or an entrée salad, choice of milk flavor, fruit and vegetable

Lunch will be served through the existing serving lines and/ or mobile carts will be used when feasible. If mobile carts are used, schools must establish serving lines with social distancing reminders to discourage students from clustering around the mobile carts.

Do students eat in the cafeteria?

Yes. And in other places too. During lunches we are reducing the occupancy in the cafeterias at one time to 50%.

ES- The cafeteria is set up so four grade level classrooms can eat while maintaining social distancing of 6ft.

MS- We can space up to 150 students to eat while maintaining social distancing of 6ft. We can set up the AVID classroom to seat up to 70 students to eat while maintaining social distancing of 6ft. We can also use the outdoor picnic area for up additional students during lunch periods.

Will the master schedule of lunch times be adjusted to meet the needs of social distancing and cleaning?

Yes, in some cases, but to accommodate delivery of lunches and cleaning, lunch will remain at 30m. It is VERY important that students are delivered to lunch on time (K8) and picked up from the lunch area on TIME (K5 only).

Can we eat with our students in our classroom or other location?

Yes, if you would like this option you are more than welcome to eat with your students. This is a great way to support social/emotional needs and build strong relationships.

No comp time is offered if you volunteer your time.

Students will need to know the routine for lunch if you are out sick or on a personal leave.

If you choose this option, please inform the Principal of this decision.

Extra trash bags will be provided.

Will students stand in line to get their lunches in the cafeteria? How will they be able to social distance?

Each teacher will have an assigned table/ area for lunch.

All teachers will walk their students to the assigned table/ area and then leave for lunch.

Students may receive a choice of a hot or cold entrée, choice of milk flavor, fruit choice and an orange juice as pre-packaged lunch and available via a bag, clamshell box or a wrapped serving plate. Students may be served by cart or serving line

Dismissal

How will students be dismissed?

There will be a staggered dismissal process to ensure social distancing. Parents will NOT be permitted to park and walk up to pick up their child at this time. You will be required to use the car line. All car riders will remain in their classrooms until they are called to come to the car line. Once social distancing can be assured, students will report holding areas for pick up. We are continuing to work through the logistics and refine this process. Please be patient as we do our best to keep your child safe and healthy.

Visitors

At this time, we are unable to have volunteers or family events on campus. Once guidelines are changed we will welcome all our families back on campus. Our Annual Title I Meeting and Open House will be held virtually.

MBFS Fundamental Guidelines

- Sign the parent commitment letter affirming, in writing, that they will abide by all policies, procedures, and rules of the school as a condition of enrollment.
- Understand that fundamental schools are designed for those students who excel in a structured learning environment.
- Understand that continued enrollment in this school depends on cooperation and compliance with all fundamental policies and procedures.
- Adhere to the parent/guardian requirements concerning attendance at Parent-Teacher-Student Association (PTSA), School Advisory Council (SAC) or other approved meetings. <u>Required parent general membership meeting requirements are postponed</u> <u>thru December 2020.</u>

Attend parent/teacher conferences, when requested. At the elementary level, parents must attend at least three conferences per school year. <u>Parent conferences</u>, (including <u>Open House</u>) will be held virtually thru December 2020.

- Adhere to the Homework/Classwork Guidelines and Discipline Guidelines.
- Review and sign all homework assignments and agenda book nightly

Acceptable dress in K5 traditional:

- Since locker rooms will not be utilized, and students will not need to change into 'PE clothing, Shorts WILL be permitted. Shorts, skirts, or dresses may not be shorter than three inches above the knee. Cargo shorts uniform or non-uniform are <u>not</u> acceptable <u>thru</u> <u>December 2020.</u>
- Shirts, blouses, sweaters with sleeves
- Jeans, pants, slacks, sweat pants, nylon jogging pants
- Shorts, skirts, or dresses may not be shorter than three inches above the knee.

- Sweaters or jackets when desired
- Leggings or jeggings can be worn **with** a skirt or dress. Skirts or dresses must be no more than three inches above the knee even when wearing leggings or jeggings.

Unacceptable dress in K5 traditional:

- Sleeveless shirts, tank tops, sleeveless dresses, or sleeveless blouses
- Pants shorter than ankle length (unless they are approved shorts)
- Clothing that has holes or tears on knees, front, back, or other strategically placed locations
- Bare-midriff dresses, blouses, or shirts
- See-through shirts or blouses, halter dresses, or "tops" with spaghetti straps
- Skorts, culottes, or divided skirts
- Backless shoes, thongs, or sandals
- Hats, sunglasses, and bandanas, except when permitted by Administration
- Clothing which displays profanity, sexually suggestive phrases, alcohol, tobacco, drugs, or advertisements for such products or other phrases
- Any item of clothing deemed disruptive by school administration
- Skirts must be no more than three inches above the knee, even with leggings, or jeggings.
- Spandex, jeggings or leggings with a shirt, pajamas, or yoga pants would NOT be appropriate.
- Prohibited are hairstyles and unnatural hair colors (to include streaks) (ex: red, blue, green hair not permitted), and other fashion styles, which are disruptive to the school environment or educational process.

Acceptable dress in the fundamental middle school includes:

- Since locker rooms will not be utilized, and students will not need to change into 'PE clothing, shorts WILL be permitted. Shorts, skirts, or dresses may not be shorter than three inches above the knee. Cargo shorts uniform or non-uniform are <u>not</u> acceptable <u>thru</u> <u>December 2020.</u>
- Dresses or skirts may be no shorter than 3" above the knee (including when leggings or jeggings are worn underneath)
- Top of the slit in a skirt may be no more than 3" above the knee
- Leggings or jeggings as long as the skirt or dress is no more than 3" above the knee.
- Ankle-length pants or slacks, nylon jogging pants, sweat pants
- Shirts, blouses and/or sweaters for both boys and girls at no time should bare midriff be exposed including sitting, bending, standing or raising your hands over your head. All shirts, tops, and dresses shall have sleeves and cover the shoulders.
- Shoes with some form of heel straps
- Clothing as outlined in special bulletins for special events

Unacceptable dress in the fundamental middle school includes:

- Dresses, shirts, and blouses, which bare the midriff
- Culottes or skorts
- Tank tops
- Hats, head coverings such as scarves or bandanas
- Thongs/flip-flops, sandals and shoes without back straps
- See-through clothing

- Halter dresses or blouses with plunging necklines
- Hats, sunglasses and bandanas, except when permitted by Administration
- Visible body piercing (except ears)
- Clothing disruptive to the learning environment
- Exposed tattoos, real or drawn
- Any writing or drawing on the body
- Neck collars such as dog collars or other heavy chains
- Clothing and/or jewelry depicting profanity, violence, weapons, sexually suggestive signs
 or symbols, drugs/tobacco/alcohol, cults/gangs, groups/clubs and organizations/activities
- Spandex, jeggings, leggings, pajamas or yoga pants would NOT be appropriate.
- No loungewear. This includes pajamas, or pajama type clothing, yoga pants, spandex, slippers are not allowed under any circumstances
- Distracting styles, including but not limited to, dark mascara, black nail polish
- Jeans or pants that have holes or tears on knees, front, back, or other strategically placed locations and frayed edges
- No unnatural hair color (to include streaks) (ex: red, blue, green hair not permitted)

What will school look like for Students, Teachers and Instructional Support Staff when school reopens?

Students

- Students will physically come to their school for their learning. While attendance at school is critical for success, students should not attend if they are unwell or exhibiting any symptoms.
- Students will physically see and interact with their teacher(s) and classmates and follow their class/course schedule each day.
- Assignments, activities and classroom-based assessments will be developed and conducted by their teachers.
- ESE, ESOL and Gifted services will occur as outlined in student-specific plans.
- All students will be expected to complete and submit assignments as determined by the assigned teacher. All assignments will be graded and posted into FOCUS.
- Code of Student Conduct and school expectations remain in effect.
- All students will follow the PCS Assessment Calendar and participate in all local and state assessments.

What will be different from previous school years?

Students

- Each morning, students and families must review wellness to ensure students are well and symptom-free prior to coming to school each day.
- PCS health and wellbeing protocols will be implemented, and students and families need to adhere to all expectations to ensure the safety of all students, families and employees.
- While students will physically see and interact with their teachers and classmates, collaborative activities may look different or be lessened to ensure the safety and wellbeing of the school community.
- Classroom spaces will be rearranged to maximize social distancing and minimize any shared items (see sample classroom layouts).

- Some classes may look different. Classes that involve high-contact such as band, chorus and physical education may have changes. See section below.
- Lunch rooms will be modified to maximize social distancing.
- Large group gatherings will be reduced.
- Parent meetings and/or conferences will be scheduled to occur virtually, until it is deemed appropriate to have larger number of individuals on campus.
- For students who receive ESE services, please see the ESE section for additional information.

Specialized Areas and Electives:

We are committed to providing a well-rounded educational experience that develops the aptitudes and interests of every student. In addition to the areas above, some electives and specialized areas of instruction have additional considerations when planning for the reopening of schools.

Kindergarten

What will be the same as previous years?

- Continued focus for young children to learn through play and their interactions with the teacher and other students.
- Hands-on materials to develop conceptual understanding, to show and revise their thinking, and to develop social/emotional skills such as self-regulation.
- Classroom arrangements will remain developmentally appropriate, with modifications to support health and wellness.
- Continue to use outdoor spaces as part of the learning environment.

What will be different from previous years?

- All adults will be wearing masks/face coverings and/or shields.
- Classes will remain as cohorts throughout the day to limit cross-exposure amongst other students.
- Students will be issued masks/face coverings and should be used to the greatest extent possible.
- Limiting the sharing of materials.
- Regular disinfecting and rotating the use of materials.

Physical Education

What will be the same as previous years?

Students will have the opportunity to engage in physical education classes in alignment with Florida requirements

- Elementary 150 minutes physical education
- Middle Semester of physical education per year

What will be different from previous years?

- Classes will be conducted outside, to the greatest extent possible, with high-contact activities reduced/limited.
- In elementary grades and specialized populations, cohorts of students will remain together to limit cross-exposure amongst students.
- Focus will be on individual skills and fitness as opposed to game play.
- Masks/face coverings will not need to be worn when outside and when social distancing can occur. Students and staff should have their masks/face coverings with them to ensure they are available, if needed.
- o Locker rooms will not be utilized, and students will not need to change into 'PE clothing

Performing Arts: Band /Chorus/Drama

What will be the same as previous years?

- High-quality, engaging music, theatre (and dance where applicable) programs including music ensembles (band, chorus, orchestra).
- Authentic rich face-to-face teaching and dialogue.
- Live class rehearsals and experiences.

What will be different from previous years?

- Greater focus on instrument care, hygiene, choral singing safety as well as personal health.
- Focus on smaller ensemble works, likely more project-based work due to smaller ensembles and opportunity for independent learning.
- Performances and assessments may be streamed live or recorded rather than performed live.
- Rooms arranged to maximize social distancing and, in some cases, relocation of room for more space including potential outdoor classes and/or rehearsals for some groups.
- Creative performance opportunities including live streaming, recorded or multiple performances to address size of audiences.

Visual Art

What will be the same as previous years?

- High-quality, engaging, live instruction from certified art educator.
- Authentic rich face-to-face teaching and dialog.
- Access in all schools to quality art supplies and materials.

What will be different from previous years?

- Limiting the sharing of materials.
- Regular disinfecting and rotating the use of materials.
- Enhanced use of art to support social-emotional wellbeing and expression.

World Languages

What will be the same as previous years?

- Students will still listen to, read, write and speak the language they are studying as well as learn about the cultures of the regions where the language is spoken.
- Students will interact with each other in class in authentic ways using a variety of print and digital resources.

What will be different from previous years?

- Students will have expanded opportunities to use the language they are acquiring through technological resources that are part of our new curriculum.
- Outside of class, students will engage with technology to listen to and read the language they are studying.
- Teachers will wear face shields so that students will be able to see their faces as they teach new vocabulary and structures as well as indicate agreement as students test new learning.
- Additional precautions will be needed to use the language labs, including heightened cleaning of the headsets between student users.

Classroom Protocols

Handwashing protocols will be built into the daily schedule: Visuals will be provided to each school with self-contained classrooms for placement within each classroom. Any time a student is using shared materials, they would be washing hands at the transition time.

Social Distancing: Students will be socially distanced to the greatest extent possible. When it is not possible to socially distance, students should engage in more frequent hand washing, and whenever possible, wear masks/face coverings.

Personal Protective Equipment- PPE (masks, face coverings and shields): Understanding that there may be students, due to the nature of their disabilities, who will not be able to wear/utilize a mask/face covering, staff in those cases will need to wear a mask/face covering and shield. In addition, social distancing to the maximum extent possible should be considered when developing lessons and activities. Therapists, teachers and other staff working with students who are Deaf/Hard of Hearing, will need to wear face shields, but not masks/face coverings to

ensure proper communication. Shields will also be worn by all Speech Language Pathologists (SLPs) when providing therapy and students should wear shields for speech therapy. For staff that may not be able to socially distance, it is expected that they wear appropriate PPE as determined by the ESE department. Staff will receive training regarding processes and procedures for delivery of services.

Student Instructional Components Regarding COVID-19: Social stories will be provided to staff and will be included in instruction upon return to school. These social stories are focused on developing understanding of new protocols and the importance of maintaining healthy processes and decisions. In addition, visuals for lining up, hand washing, schedule and classroom routines will be provided to schools and should be posted where students are able to see them. The routines should be practiced during the school day.

Equipment and Material Cleaning – Where possible, students should have individual sensory items, classroom tools (e.g. Pencils, crayons, etc.) that are in separate containers. In most cases, students will follow the expectations set forth for all classrooms. In circumstances where students are included, but there are additional considerations noted above, such as sensory concerns that prohibit the wearing of masks/face coverings, a shield will be recommended. If a shield and mask/face covering are not possible, then the student will need to engage in frequent hand washing and social distancing from other students will be maximized. Visuals and social stories will be available to any classroom that needs them.

This is an important message regarding the first day of school for 2020-2021 for current 6th graders

By law, incoming 7th grade students (2019-2020) will not be permitted to attend class on the first day of seventh grade without proof of the required immunizations or valid documented exemption. Students will need to have received one T-D-A-P booster and two chickenpox vaccines. Pinellas County Schools are required to enforce these immunization requirements and strongly encourage you to get this completed as soon as possible.

After your child has received these vaccines, please turn in a completed certificate of immunization or exemption to the school.

You can contact your child's healthcare provider to request these vaccines. If your child does not have a healthcare provider, immunizations are available at no cost at your local Department of Health location, no appointment is needed.

If you have any questions about these vaccine requirements, you are welcome to call the School Health Services department at 588-6320 for assistance.

We hope that all students are prepared for seventh grade! Thank you for your attention to this matter.