

When Scholars Return - October 26th

The 2020-2021 school year began for all scholars on Tuesday, September 8, 2020. The month of September was 100% remote and we began our first transition of student back to in-person learning (hybrid) on October 5, 2020. We are now ready to transition our next group of scholars back to hybrid learning. On October 26, 2020 Phase 3 will begin. This includes grades 3, 4, 5, 7, and 10, as well as the students who already returned in Phase 2. Projected start and end times will follow our three tier system. In-person learning will have reduced class sizes and reduced building capacity. The goal is for all grade levels to be in a hybrid school rotation by the end of the first semester. Students will be placed in Blue & Gold cohorts and clustered in phases over the first few months of the school year.

Implementation Schedule

NECSD began the school year in a virtual-only instructional model.

- **Phase 3** begins the week of October 26, 2020 for those participating in the hybrid model. (Scholars who selected 100% virtual learning will remain virtual until January).
- **Phase 2** began the week of October 5, 2020 for those participating in the hybrid model.
- Phases are subject to change based on updated public health conditions and implementation experience. Changes will be communicated by your school.

Sequencing

Some students with special needs and who receive specific services and students new to a grade level band are the first returning to school. Medically compromised students with approved documentation are to remain 100% Remote/Virtual until it is determined safe.

Phase 1	100% Remote/Virtual Learning for September 2020
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Elementary School

Phase 2	Pre-Kindergarten, Kindergarten, 1 st Grade, 2 nd Grade, and students with certain specific needs. For students in specific Special Education Programs, the district will consult with schools and families.
Phase 3	Grades 3, 4, & 5

Middle

Phase 2	Grade 6 and students with specific needs
Phase 3	Grade 7
Phase 4	Grade 8

High

Phase 2	Grade 9 and students with specific needs (cohort 2020)
Phase 3	Grade 10 (cohort 2019)
Phase 4	Grade 11 and 12