



North Carolina School for the Deaf

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Message from Principal Amy Sargent

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Dear NCSD Parents and Students,

We will be starting the transition process from full remote learning to dual instruction on October 20, 2020. Dual instruction is the return to a full day schedule of on campus instruction with some families opting to continue instruction virtually. So, classrooms will be equipped with web cameras to stream live class instruction (via zoom) as it happening in the classroom to students opting to learn from home. Students will learn simultaneously in class and at home. How does this differ from full remote? The major impact will be the class time schedules. The abbreviated full remote class schedule will stop and convert to all day instruction both at school and at home. Please see the comparison chart below.

Comparing Full Remote Instruction and Dual Instruction

<i>Full Remote</i>	<i>Dual Instruction</i>
Everyone is learning from home	Most students are back in the classroom (with some families opting to still learn from home via zoom at the same time kids are learning in the classroom)
No Lunch Break	Scheduled Lunch Break
Abbreviated Bell Schedule: Classes start at 8:30am and finish at 12:30pm (PreK-8th) and 12:40pm (high school)	Full day bell schedule: Classes start at 8:00am and school dismissal is at 3:30pm (even students at home attend ALL DAY)
Abbreviated Group instruction in the mornings with afternoon 1:1 support	Normal School Day

Prek-8th grade will return to school on October 20, 2020 and all families opting to stay home will be dual instruction and follow the full day bell schedule October 20th.

9th-12th grade (high school) will tentatively return to school on November 2, 2020 and all families opting to stay home will be dual instruction and follow the full day bell schedule on November 2nd. From October 20, 2020 to October 30, 2020 high school students will continue to follow the abbreviated full remote schedule.

Please direct all questions and concerns to me, Amy Sargent at Amy.Sargent@esdb.dpi.nc.gov or call 828-432-5317

Sending Smiles, ☺

Amy Sargent, NCSD Principal