

# August 6, 2020 Webinar: Athletics & Performing Arts Q&A Follow-up



Questions Asked	District Response / Answer
<b>Athletics</b>	
Why are our football players prohibited from practicing while Pop Warner is allowed to be in session now?	Pop Warner is not affiliated with our district or our state association (New York State Public High School Athletic Association - NYSPHSAA). Therefore, Pop Warner's rules and regulations may be different as it pertains to practicing. At this time, we are not allowed to start any practices/tryouts until our fall athletic start date of 9/21/20.
Do you have any information about what the consequences were for the Fayetteville school/coach that was having unauthorized practices?	That would be confidential information for their district and unable to be disclosed.
Will the sports start low risk first on 9/21 that day or all levels of sports?	At this time, the state would allow all of our traditional fall athletic teams to participate. (All levels from modified to varsity.)
What is Family ID?	Family ID is our district's platform to register our student athletes online. Below is a link that will provide you with more information on Family ID. <a href="https://www.bville.org/tfiles/folder949/Fall%20Registration%20with%20new%20PE%20info%20%26%20start%20dates%20re%20Covid.new.pdf">https://www.bville.org/tfiles/folder949/Fall%20Registration%20with%20new%20PE%20info%20%26%20start%20dates%20re%20Covid.new.pdf</a>

	<p>If you have further questions on Family ID you can always reach out to me at <a href="mailto:ccampolieta@bville.org">ccampolieta@bville.org</a> I would be more than happy to assist.</p>
<p>Abbreviated as opposed to NO season?</p>	<p>In the event fall and winter athletics get postponed even further than their original start dates, the NYSPHSAA has been proactive with providing us with “Potential Scenarios” to think about.</p> <p>For example (this is tentative/draft based on a state-wide survey):</p> <p>Season 1 - Jan 4th - Mar. 13th - Sports TBD and could be by risk level  Season 2 - Mar. 1st - May 8th - Sports TBD and could be by risk level  Season 3 - Apr. 5th - Jun. 12 - Sports TBD and could be by risk level</p> <p>There may be some overlapping of seasons. The NYSPHSAA would have to address the scenarios of athletes potentially playing 2 sports at the same time. Again, this is a draft that is certainly subject to change (very likely).</p> <p>The NYSPHSAA is trying to be as creative/flexible as possible under the circumstances. Their goal is to provide our student-athletes the ability to have some type of season as opposed to no season at all.</p>
<p><b>Elementary</b></p>	
<p>How will the library special work and the computer lab?</p>	<p>In the hybrid model, all specials will happen during the 3 days of in-school learning; the special area teachers will come to the room for their instruction. The computer lab will not be utilized due to the inability to social distance and the goal is to maintain students within the classroom.</p>

<p>Hi, from grade K and up? Kids will have a very time staying apart and not goofing around.</p>	<p>Our teachers are well aware of the challenges social distancing will be for all students. Teachers will provide “face covering breaks” throughout the day and will do their best to enforce the 6 foot distance. But all students play a part in making this happen, too. We hope that families will partner with us in teaching and explaining to their students the importance of listening to the teacher when s/he asks them to maintain proper distance and to follow safety guidelines.</p>
<p>Page 14 &amp; Page 41 of the reopening plan contradict each other as far as elementary lessons</p>	<p>We are not sure what the conflict is to which this comment refers. If more details could be shared, please send them to Tony Cardamone, Director of Elementary Curriculum &amp; Instruction at <a href="mailto:tcardamone@bville.org">tcardamone@bville.org</a> so he can respond with specifics.</p>
<p><b>Face Coverings</b></p>	
<p>Do the students need to keep masks on when seated?</p>	<p>Yes, at this time we are asking students to keep face coverings on and teachers will provide face covering breaks throughout the day.</p>
<p>Are students that won't be able to wear a mask all day for medical reasons going to be required to have a medical note from their doctor?</p>	<p>Yes. This note should be given to the School Nurse prior to the opening of school.</p>
<p>Students don't have to wear masks at outdoor recess for 30 minutes ?</p>	<p>At this time wellness time is being incorporated throughout the day with mindfulness breaks, face covering breaks, etc. If students are brought outside then we will evaluate the situation, but at this time face coverings will be maintained. As guidelines change the district will review its practices and expectations of students and staff regarding the use of face coverings.</p>
<p><b>Model Options</b></p>	

<p>What about full remote learning? Only Hybrid was discussed.</p>	<p>K-5 on full remote will have special area learning opportunities. What that looks like specifically is yet to be determined as we need to see how many students this will be.</p>
<p>Will the music teachers be given technical support to facilitate online experiences?</p>	<p>All teachers have access to technical and instructional support via our Learning Coaches. We are also exploring software that the music teachers have asked for to assist them with their instruction.</p>
<p>Given that the music/art/pe teachers are not going to have any in-person classes - are they going to be expected to help in the schools in other ways limiting their daytime ability to hold even the virtual options.</p>	<p>K-5 special area teachers will have in-person specials daily.</p>
<p>Why can't we have smaller music classes in-person?</p>	<p>The social distancing for chorus and instrumentals is 12 feet. At this time we need to evaluate the available space to do this safely. We plan to revisit this in later fall and will provide this opportunity as soon as we can while maintaining student safety.</p>
<p>What is the oversight for teachers in terms of what kind/efficacy of on-line learning they are delivering? There was a very wide range this past spring.</p>	<p>Teachers did an amazing job this past spring, without any notice or preparation. They also want to do what is best for students in this remote setting. They have and will continue to collaborate as a department and receive support in best practices. As always, any concerns a parent has with their student's performance should be shared with the teacher so s/he can support their student.</p>
<p>If this situation continues into the winter, what is the plan for snow days? Will kids that were supposed to be in school that day still have a "day off" or will they simply transition to remote learning for an extra day?</p>	<p>At this time, the district believes we have the ability, based on guidance to utilize a "remote" day so that instruction continues when a "snow" or "cold weather" day would be needed. So, if a student was scheduled for in-person instruction and a "snow" day was called, students would complete remote instruction that day to maintain the instructional day.</p>

Secondary	
If my child is currently enrolled in chorus or orchestra (high school), can they opt for a different class in place? Perhaps, art?	Yes, schedule changes are allowed. Please reach out to your child's guidance counselor for more information.
The MUSICALs - what is happening there?	At this time, all K-12 musicals are canceled until further notice. As conditions change, we will re-evaluate the district's ability to put these events together.
On the days that the students are at Baker HS and scheduled for Band, Chorus, Orchestra what will they do?	All music classes at Baker will take place online. When students are in-person at Baker, they will be scheduled for other classes.
Art class and technology won't be offered to elementary students if fully remote?	Elementary students in the 100% remote model will receive their specials online.
My daughter probably won't sing by herself in front of everyone virtually. She will want to drop chorus. Will she be able to choose another class in its place?	Yes, schedule changes are allowed. Please reach out to your child's guidance counselor for more information.
Can my secondary student receive a PE credit as he participates in two year-round baseball teams that practice at least 4 times a week? We could have coaches sign off on hours.	No, they would have to be enrolled in a physical education class.
Art and technology classes are being offered in person. Does this mean a secondary 100% remote student may not be able to take these classes? PLTW courses?	Students in the 100% remote model will have the opportunity to engage in both art, technology, and PLTW classes. As in past years, if there aren't enough students demonstrating interest in taking a specific course, that course may not be offered.
FACS is a "special" at Ray that is required, so won't students have to take it even if they are 100% remote?	The middle-level requirements for Career and Technical Education (CTE) have changed. Students must take 1.75 credits of CTE which can be any combination of Technology, FACS, and Business. We only offer FACS and Technology at Ray so students typically take courses in each. If students are in the 100% remote model, those students will have the opportunity to take both FACS and Technology.

<b>Social Distancing</b>	
<p>NYSSMA has sent a letter to the Board of Regents and the Governor's office stating that studies with the University of Colorado- Boulder and University of Maryland that 6 feet is fine for music students - why 12 feet?</p>	<p>At this time, the district is following guidance from the CDC, NYSDOH, and the NYSED. If the entities change guidance and we are provided more flexibility, we will make adjustments as needed to accommodate students and programming.</p> <p>Face shields are not permissible as a sole protection. If a student wishes to use a face shield, it must be accompanied with a face covering to meet guidelines for school safety.</p>
<p>With guidelines stating 12 feet apart for singing, can't there be lessons for small groups or one on one lessons? Students could purchase face shields.</p>	
<b>Special Education</b>	
<p>What about students who receive APE services?</p>	<p>APE services will be provided for students. In-person services are likely; however, based on the individual circumstances of students' needs remote instruction may be necessary. Our staff is committed to providing in-person APE instruction and support for students.</p>
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<p>Why isn't anyone in the music department in this meeting or on the panel?</p>	<p>Our music staff was represented in the webinar by the administrators who serve as the fine arts coordinators for the district. Mr. Cardamone and Mrs. Burnett work very closely with the music and other fine arts staff members and met with these parties prior to the webinar to gather their feedback. They are knowledgeable and intimate with the needs of our music and fine arts instructors.</p>
<b>Wellness Time</b>	

Will the children still have wellness or recess?

At this time wellness time is being incorporated throughout the day with mindfulness breaks, face covering breaks, etc.