



RIDGEWOOD AVENUE SCHOOL

2020-2021

FULL SCHOOL

FULL DAY

MOVING FORWARD

BEGINNING MAY 24TH

Ridgewood Avenue School will use our traditional schedule, which will include lunch and recess for the 17 school days we will have beginning May 24th until the last day of school on June 16th.

SCHEDULE

Students can arrive to school between 8:10 and 8:30am. Each grade will continue to use their assigned doors where health and safety protocols will begin. Students will enter upon arrival. Each entrance is supervised.

Students will report to their homeroom upon arrival.

Students will be marked late if arriving after 8:30am. Students at home will need to sign in via Google Meet no later than 8:30am-

8:30-8:38	Homeroom
8:40-9:20	Block 1
9:22-10:02	Block 2
10:04-10:44	Block 3
10:46-11:47	3rd & 4th Lunch/Recess Block 4- 5th & 6th Grades
11:52-12:52	5th & 6th Lunch/Recess Block 5- 3rd & 4th Grades
12:54- 1:34	Block 6
1:36-2:16	Block 7
2:18-2:58	Block 8



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**HEALTH &
SAFETY
PROTOCOLS
(PPE PROVIDED
FOR STAFF AND
STUDENTS)**

MASK

EVERYONE who enters Ridgewood Avenue School must wear a mask that covers both their nose and mouth.

When possible, classes will go outside where they will remain distanced and have a chance to take a "mask break"

DISTANCING

From the moment arriving on school grounds, physical distancing will be adhered to, including in classrooms and throughout the school building.

Plexi-Glass is used as a barrier in each classroom.

SANITIZING

Hand sanitizers have been installed in classrooms and throughout all areas of the building to encourage constant sanitizing by students and staff.

Students may also bring their own sanitizers.

WELLNESS SCREENING

Please complete the screening daily on the Skyward app

Visitors to the building will be extremely limited but they will be required to follow all health and safety protocols.



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HEALTH & SAFETY PROTOCOLS

PROTOCOLS TO ENCOURAGE HEALTH & SAFETY

STUDENTS WILL STAY IN THE
SAME CLASSROOM

LIMITS ON NUMBER OF
STUDENTS IN BATHROOMS

STUDENTS MAY USE FILLING
WATER STATION BUT MAY
NOT DRINK FROM WATER
FOUNTAIN

STAGGERED ARRIVAL TIME, NO
LINING UP, STUDENTS MUST
LEAVE GROUNDS
IMMEDIATELY UPON
DISMISSAL

EACH AFTERNOON, THE
BUILDING WILL RECEIVE A
DEEP CLEANING THAT
INCLUDES THE DISINFECTION
OF ALL SURFACES AND THE
SPRAYING OF DISINFECTANT
MISTERS IN CLASSROOMS AND
THROUGHOUT THE BUILDING

USE OF OUTDOOR SPACE, AS
AVAILABLE (INCLUDES GLEN &
BOROUGH HALL LAWN)



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**HEALTH
OFFICE**

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Ridgewood Avenue School Nurse

Email- thigh@glenridge.org

Phone- 973.429.8300 ext.3005

The following protocols will be in place for the nurse:



The nurse will be in contact with parents when a student must be picked up and will maintain regular communication regarding symptoms, the possibility of a positive case, quarantine possibility and plans for return to school



The nurse will be in daily communication with district nurses and will be a liaison between RAS and the Bloomfield Board of Health Office



Parents are encouraged to email or call the nurse with any questions regarding symptoms or any other medical issues that may be relevant for your child or family



LUNCH & RECESS

EATING LUNCH

On days the weather permits, students will eat outdoors at the Glen (crossed with class, teacher and crossing guard). They are encouraged to bring a towel, blanket or yoga mat they can sit on if they'd like. Garbage cans will be available. Students will eat with their homeroom and maintain distancing.

On days the weather does not permit, students will eat either in the cafeteria or the auditorium. We have created a schedule for each of the 6 days for each class. If a class is in the cafeteria, they will be distanced at tables. All cafeteria tables will also have plexi-glass. If they are in the auditorium, they will be distanced in the seats.

RECESS (masks will be worn)

On days the weather permits, students will have recess on the school grounds. They will have opportunities to mix and mingle around the property with classmates and friends from other classes. Certain activities will not be permitted or will have limited participation. The teachers will review what is allowed and what isn't allowed with their classes and we will have plenty of supervision outside to help remind the students.

On days the weather does not permit, students will stay in their classroom during recess time. This time will be unstructured and involve choice the way traditional indoor (rainy day) recesses have been.



VIRTUAL

When we move forward on May 24th, the majority of our student will be in-person. Our priority will be on the new schedules, protocols and logistics as we adjust to this final step in our school year.

The day will be longer and mean more screen time for students who are virtual. While their social interactions are extremely important to us, we recognize they will benefit from a screen break during the day. That break will be during the lunch and recess time in their schedule. On days when the students in-person are outside, WiFi doesn't work so well and so they wouldn't have the opportunity to Google Meet and join in virtually. If your child would prefer social interaction on indoor days rather than a screen break--you can discuss that possibility with the teacher.



RECESS

The students have been cooperative and patient all year long. We know how eager they have been to interact with friends from other classes and they will now have that opportunity during recess.

Distancing will continue to be encouraged. Masks will be worn.

Students can run around together, hang and talk, and hopefully use their imaginations while enjoying friends and sunshine. They will be allowed to use playground equipment but will need to stay distanced.

Kicking a soccer ball, "knockout," having a football toss with a few friends or throwing a ball against the wall will all be allowed. Games will not be played. Students cannot form teams and mingle back and forth the way they might usually do in a football or basketball game. Teachers will discuss the possibilities with the students.

The gaga pit will be closed.

Each parent and child have their own comfort level regarding the outdoors and play. We encourage each family to discuss what is comfortable for your child to participate in during that recess time and what is not.



OPEN ENROLLMENT

There will be a final open enrollment opportunity for ALL students to coincide with our moving forward plan on May 24th. ALL students will have one of the following options:

- Attend School for a Full Day, Every Day
- Remain 100% Virtual
- Switch to 100% Virtual
- Hybrid Model- using their assigned cohort day, attend in-person every other day

If your child WILL NOT make a change from their current status for May 24th, there is NOTHING for you to do.

If you would like to make a change, that should be emailed to mdonovan@glenridge.org no later than 9am on Thursday, May 20th. You will receive a confirmation email in return, along with any details you may need regarding the switch.

This will be the final switch of the year.

6th grade students who are virtual will be invited to participate in 6th grade promotion activities such as the trip to Fountain Springs, the BBQ, Promotion ceremony (if participating, they will need to come for practice) and Promotion party.

No other exceptions will be made, so students who are virtual will not have the option to participate in field day or any other grade level activities that may occur in the final days of school.

AFTER CARE

After Care will continue to be an option at RAS. The hours will change to 3:00-6:00 (as they usually are in a regular school year). You can contact Mr. Heitmann with any After-Care related questions or issues

jheitmann@glenridge.org