

Preparing for the 2020-2021 School Year

With school starting in a few weeks, we wanted to reach out to you to provide some helpful points that you can emphasize with your students as you prepare them to return to Maltby

- 1. No matter what it looks like (in-person or remote) school will always be there!**
 - a. While school may look and feel different, our teachers and staff will be there to provide the same high quality instruction all students receive at BAS. Students will be learning and assessed in any phase we may be in. What is important to stress is that while school may alter in form, it will never lose its importance.
- 2. Everyone has a role in keeping Maltby clean!**
 - a. Hand sanitizer will be available in all classrooms and throughout the building. Students must get used to using it every time they pass a dispenser.
 - b. Everyone must get used to managing their own space and materials. Students will need to be diligent about cleaning their space and keeping track of their materials.
 - c. If you touch a surface that has germs on it then touch your face, you could get sick. This is not just something that is important now, but has always been important and true!
- 3. When you are stressed, nervous or anxious, Maltby staff is here for you!**
 - a. Reach out early and often when you are feeling stressed or nervous. Those feelings are completely reasonable and a normal part of any change. Whether you are learning from home or at school, everyone at Maltby is here to support you. Our counselor, Ms. Anderson is available every day.
- 4. When you don't know something, ASK!**
 - a. If you don't understand why we are doing something, please ask.
 - b. Staff are always here to answer any questions you may have.
- 5. And YES, you have to wear a mask or face covering at all times at Maltby!**
 - a. Everyone will be wearing them.
 - b. We are going to build into our schedule outside mask breaks!
 - c. You don't have to wear it when you are eating lunch.