

## Phillip O. Berry Academy of Technology

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Dear 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Cardinal Parents,

My name is Kimarcus Lockhart and I am the newest member of the POB admin team. I am honored to be your child's assigned Assistant Principal and a part of their high school journey. I am joined by a group of warm teachers, staff, and school leaders who are just as eager to assist your child as they enter this huge milestone. Our mission is to provide a bridge for successful transition from middle school to high school by ensuring that their academic and social emotional needs are addressed through meaningful, standards aligned, rigorous and relevant instruction in environments that are safe and learner centered.

On August 13, drive through pick-ups will be hosted for the retrieval of technology devices and AVID binders. This will ensure that your child is equipped with the necessary tools needed to actively participate in all courses. Beginning on August 17, the official first day of school, students are required to participate in orientation with their core and elective teachers where they will receive guidance on academic expectations, attendance and grading expectations, and other pertinent information.

**Please note that daily attendance, active participation during web conferences/class meetings, and on time task completion are mandatory.**

There are multiple factors that contribute to a student's success including attendance, performance, behavior, parent involvement, and support. We look forward to collaborating with you to help your child succeed. Please keep your contact information current with the school to ensure that you receive Connect 5 calls. The school's website and social media pages are also good resources for staying abreast of current events. Students will receive messages via Naviance, REMIND, and through Canvas so please remind them to check their inboxes daily.

I can be reached at the following:  
[kimarcus.lockhart@cms.k12.nc.us](mailto:kimarcus.lockhart@cms.k12.nc.us)

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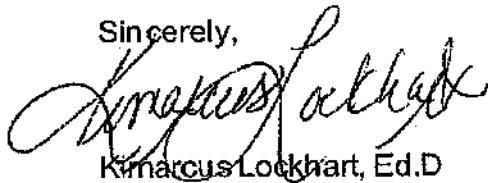
To join me on REMIND

1. Send a text to:  
81010
2. Text this message:  
@aa98ff



We are looking forward to meeting and serving each of you.

Sincerely,

  
Kimarcus Lockhart, Ed.D



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August 7, 2020

Greetings 10th Grade Families,

As the administrator of 10th grade families, it is my pleasure to welcome back everyone to another great year at Phillip O. Berry. The Cardinal staff is excited to be back and ready to fill students with energy and enthusiasm for learning. We are committed to helping every student feel welcomed, connected, and a part of the Cardinal family.

During this unusual school year due to Covid-19, we need to keep all lines of communication open and know that all questions or concerns are welcomed. The primary method of communication will be Canvas. Students will automatically be enrolled in the 10th grade Canvas course and parents can gain access through the student account. Directions for parents to become an observer will be posted within the canvas course. The secondary method of contact is Remind. Text the number 81010 with the message @kg2d86 to join our Remind class. Please remember to stay connected with your grade level counselor, Ms. Marsh (A-F) or Ms. Dentu (G-Z).

Feel free to contact me at [reneem.hay@cms.k12.nc.us](mailto:reneem.hay@cms.k12.nc.us) or (980) 349-6775 with any questions or concerns. I look forward to having a productive year and getting to know everyone. Let's go Cardinals!

Sincerely,

*Renee Hay*  
Renee Hay



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**8/10/20**

Welcome Berry Juniors and Families:

I am very excited to welcome you to the 2020-2021 school year! Given the events of the past five months, this will be a school year like no other. My promise to you, as the administrator for our juniors and their families; I will do my **ABSOLUTE BEST** to provide support, guidance and assistance to ensure your junior year is the best it can be.

To achieve the above goal, we all need to work together, take our remote learning seriously, ask questions when you need help and support, and by all means, take of yourself. There are still many unanswered questions about what is going on around us, and I don't know all the answers. However, you can always talk with me, via phone, email or virtual meeting, to share concerns and seek answers to your questions.

Reaching out to Mr. Hitt:

- Email: [brian.hitt@cms.k12.nc.us](mailto:brian.hitt@cms.k12.nc.us)
- Remind: text @berryju to 81010; parents and students should join the junior class remind
- Cell Phone: 704-726-4522

This is going to be a challenging, but **PHENOMENAL** year. I will be right beside you, virtually and in spirit, as we make our journey through this most interesting of times! BE well, and talk soon.

Mr. Hitt



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August 8, 2020

Greetings Class of 2021,

Welcome to the 2020-2021 school year. I hope you are as excited to begin your **Senior** year as I am to have the privilege to be your administrator for the school year. I understand the anxiety some of you may feel as we start the year but want to assure you that I am prepared to work to guide each one of you through these unprecedented waters. This is a special time for you as you prepare for the future, so we will be creative as we celebrate all the milestones associated with this year. We will meet the challenges together, so **let's get to work!** Graduation is over the horizon.

Some important information as we start the year:

1. Virtual Welcome Back Orientation is Monday, August 17, 2020 from 5:30-6:30 at <https://bit.ly/pobopenhouse12th>
2. Schedule change document is open until August 20, 2020 -- <https://bit.ly/pobschedulechange>
3. Attendance will be taken daily/per period, so it is important that you participate daily in instruction. Follow the daily schedule posted
4. I have created a Canvas course to communicate important information with the class.
5. I encourage each of you to join my Class of 2021 Remind @pobsr2021.

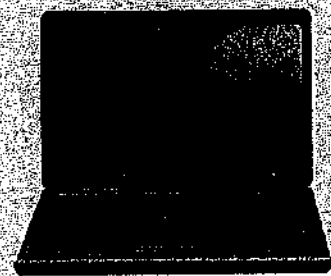
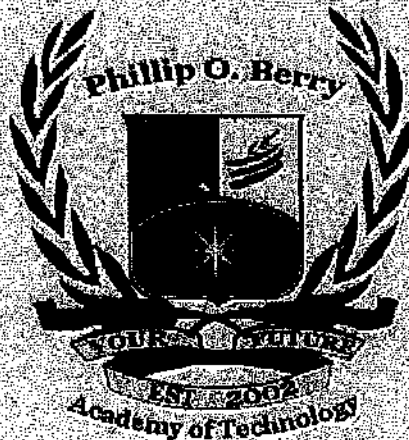
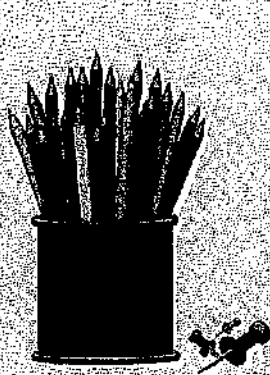
I hope you enjoyed our summer reading selection, *The Work*, and have had time to reflect on the overall message. The messages that resonated with me were about failure and our roles in life. It is natural to experience failure, but the question arises as how do you respond to situations? Take chances and risks knowing that tomorrow is a brand new day. Allow yourself this time to experience challenging situations knowing that you will grow and become resilient in the process. In doing so, you will begin to work not out of fear but out of purpose, passion and love. We will engage in additional conversation throughout the year.

Class of 2021, if you have any question or concerns, please feel free to reach out to me. I am ready to hold hands with each of you to get through this current situation which we can **Together** as we are **DOB Strong**.

Respectfully,

Tonya Grimes  
Assistant Principal of Instruction





## 2020-2021 SCHOOL SUPPLY LIST

- ★ CMS Issued Chromebook & charger
- ★ Internet Access (Hot Spots can be provided if needed)
- ★ Rapid Identity Log-In
  
- ★ TI-84 Calculator or familiarity with [www.desmos.com](http://www.desmos.com) (online graphing & scientific calculator)
- ★ Notebook & Graph paper
- ★ Composition or Spiral Notebooks for each course
- ★ Binder
- ★ Pencils & Pencil Sharpener
- ★ Colored Pencils or Pens
- ★ Highlighters
- ★ Post-its
- ★ Post-it Posters
  
- ★ AP Central Login (For AP Courses Only)

### \*Visual Art Classes Only\*:

Markers (Classic Colors), Colored Pencils, Pencils, Pencil Sharpener, Erasers, Scissors, Glue Sticks, Black ultra fine point pen or Sharpie, 9x12 Spiral bound sketchbook (can purchase from Wal-Mart, Target, Amazon, Dollar General, Michael's)

## Fuel Your Student's Remote Learning With



CMS School Nutrition Services is excited to introduce CMS Eats @Home! CMS Eats @Home is designed to provide "fuel for remote learning" to CMS students.

**Beginning August 11<sup>th</sup>**, parents can preorder meal bundles that will include five days of breakfast and lunch for each student. Pre-ordered meal bundles will be available for parent pick up at the assigned locations or may be delivered to the student's CMS bus stop. Parents will receive a confirmation email when placing an order. When picking up meal bundles, parents will need to provide the student's name and student ID number or present their student identification card.

Meals will be charged to the student's meal account based on their current free, reduced or paid meal status. Parents are encouraged to complete a 2020-2021 family meal application to see if they qualify for meal benefits. The online application can be completed by visiting our website at [www.cms.k12.nc.us](http://www.cms.k12.nc.us), clicking on departments, School Nutrition Services, Free & Reduced meals.

Students enrolled in Community Eligible Provision (CEP) schools will not be charged for breakfast or lunch. Parents do not need to complete a meal application if all students in the household attend a CEP school. For a list of CEP schools please visit our website at [www.cms.k12.nc.us](http://www.cms.k12.nc.us), click on departments, School Nutrition Services, Community Eligibility Provision (CEP).

Meal bundles will be preordered using our current online payment system PayPAMS. Parents that have not previously registered their students for this service, will need to do so to be able to preorder meal bundles. There is no fee to the parent for using this service.

To sign up, parents will go to [www.PayPAMS.com](http://www.PayPAMS.com) and click on the "SIGN UP NOW!" button on the home page. Select NC, then select Charlotte Mecklenburg Schools. Create a username and password and enter your contact information. Add your children to your account.

### Meal Prices:

#### Breakfast

- Breakfast will continue to be offered to all students at no charge.

#### Lunch

- All students approved for free meals will receive lunch at no charge
- Students approved for reduced price lunch will receive lunch at no charge. For the 2020-2021 school year, NC Session Law 2020-80, House Bill 1023 eliminated the 40 cent copay charge for students.
- Paid students may purchase a five-day meal bundle for \$15.00.

We will no longer provide free meals for all children who are 18 and younger because we are now operating under the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) and the School Breakfast Program (SBP). Meals will only be available to Charlotte Mecklenburg School students.



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This institution is an equal opportunity provider.  
To view the complete USDA Non-Discrimination Statement, use the link below:  
<http://childnutrition.ncpublicschools.gov/information-resources/>



**AUGUST 10-21, 2020**

# **SCHEDULE CHANGES**

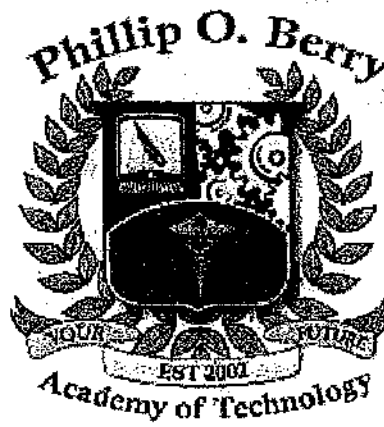
**STUDENTS CAN ADD THE  
FOLLOWING COURSES:**

**HONORS ANATOMY & PHYSIOLOGY  
HONORS FORENSIC SCIENCE  
HONORS LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES  
HONORS MICROBIOLOGY  
HONORS SPANISH III, IV  
MARINE SCIENCE  
ROTC I, II, III AND HONORS ROTC IV  
VISUAL ARTS**

**COURSE REQUIRES PRE-REQUISITES**

**SCHEDULE CHANGE REQUEST FORM:  
[HTTPS://BIT.LY/POBSCHEDULECHANGE](https://bit.ly/pobschedulechange)**





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Student Technology Support Information 2020-2021 School Year



### **CMS-ISSUED CHROMEBOOK**

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Students are required to sign in to the CMS web filtering (zscaler) system when accessing websites on the CMS-issued Chromebook while off-campus.

Step 1: Log on to the Chromebook using the CMS Google Password

- Username: StudentIDNumber@student.cms.k12.nc.us
- Default Password: 8 digit birthdate (YYYYMMDD)

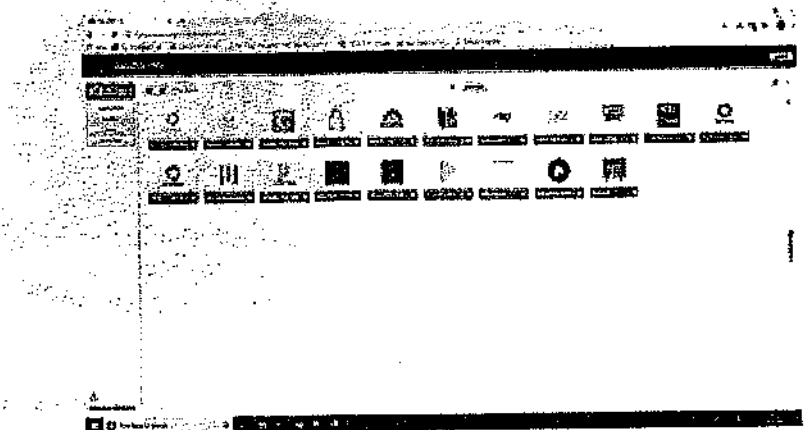
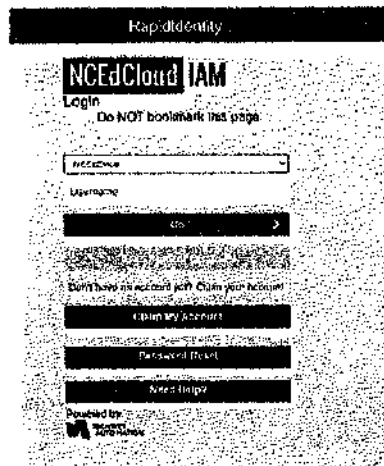
*\*Note: The default password is changed by the user the first time that you log in this school year*

Step 2: Log into the web filtering system

- Open the Chrome Browser
- Username: StudentIDNumber@cms.k12.nc.us (**Do not include the "student" from your normal student email address**)
- Password: 8 Digit Birthdate (This password doesn't change)

Any Chromebook issues should be reported using the **Student Technology Support Form** <http://bit.ly/studentchromebookissue>

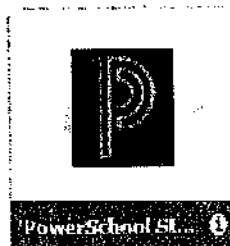




## NCEdCloud

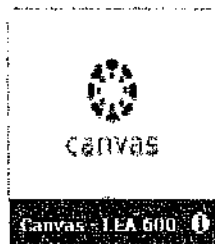
- Allows students to access Canvas, Powerschool, and Clever student applications.
- Students who are new to CMS must first claim his or her NCEdCloud account in order to access this portal. Instructions: <http://bit.ly/claimingstudentaccount>
- Login Instructions
  - URL: <http://my.ncedcloud.org>
  - Username: Student ID Number
  - Password: Student generated
- If a student forgets his or her NCEdCloud information, students can do one of the following:
  - Click the "Forgot my Password" button and answer the security questions
  - Contact one of his or her current teachers. Any teacher who currently teaches a student has the ability to reset his or her NCEdCloud password.

## Powerschool



- Provides access to student class schedule, attendance, and grades.
- Students can access through NC EdCloud. See instructions above.
- Parents should contact main office to receive access information.



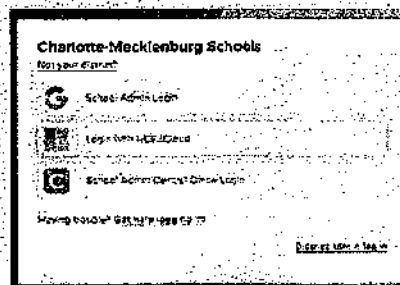


## Canvas

- Learning management system that allows students to access and submit course assignments.
- Students can access through NCEdCloud. See instructions above.
- Parents can gain observer access to view student's assigned courses in Canvas. Instructions: <https://bit.ly/pobcanvasobserver>

## Student Email

- Each CMS student has a student email account connected with his or her CMS Google Account.
- Students will receive emails daily from teachers and other staff members. It is very important that students check their email accounts on a daily basis.
- Login Instructions
  - URL: <http://mail.google.com>
  - Username: [StudentIDNumber@student.cms.k12.nc.us](mailto:StudentIDNumber@student.cms.k12.nc.us) (example: [12345678@student.cms.k12.nc.us](mailto:12345678@student.cms.k12.nc.us))
  - Default Password: 8 digit birthdate (YYYYMMDD)
- Please note that students generally are required to update their CMS Google password at the beginning of the school year. The most updated password should be used to access their email account. It will be the same password that students use to log in to their Chromebook.
- Students should complete the **student technology support form** if he or she forgets their password.



Naviance



## **Naviance**

Naviance is a comprehensive website that you can use for college & career research and planning.

For students to access Naviance:

- 1. GO TO YOUR NCEDCLOUD ACCOUNT**
- 2. CLICK ON "CLEVER"**
- 3. CLICK ON "LOGIN WITH NCEDCLOUD"**
- 4. SCROLL DOWN AND CLICK ON NAVIANCE**

Throughout the year, Berry administration and student services team will email students information and opportunities.

Parents interested in receiving these emails should submit their email address to be added to our school's Naviance email distribution list. This can be done by emailing our school registrar [Kimberlyr.Oden@cms.k12.nc.us](mailto:Kimberlyr.Oden@cms.k12.nc.us) with the information below:

- REQUEST: "PLEASE ADD ME TO MY STUDENT'S NAVIANCE ACCOUNT"
- STUDENT NAME (FIRST AND LAST NAME)
- PARENT(S) NAME (FIRST AND LAST NAME)
- PARENT(S) EMAIL ADDRESS

**Student Technology Support Form:**  
**<http://bit.ly/studentchromebookissue>**

## **What is the AVID Binder?**

The AVID Binder is a system for keeping essential school materials and class assignments organized into one binder. A proper AVID Binder contains all the materials in the "Required Items" section of the AVID Binder Checklist in the order outlined in How to Organize Your AVID Binder.

AVID binder checks weekly. Teachers leading the weekly AVID Binder checks will be looking for "Required Items" and overall organization.

## **How can I support my child at home?**

Regularly check your child's backpack and AVID Binder. All papers should be placed in binder rings in the proper class section. Remove unnecessary papers. Ensure all required materials are present.

## **What is AVID?**

AVID, Advancement Via Individual Determination is a global nonprofit organization dedicated to closing the achievement gap by preparing all students for college and other postsecondary opportunities. For more information about AVID, visit their website at [avid.org](http://avid.org) or the POB AVID page: <https://sites.google.com/cms.k12.nc.us/avidpob/home>

Thank you for your partnership and support. If you have any questions about the AVID Binder, do not hesitate to contact us.

## **Required Contents:**

- ☐ Good quality 3-ring, 2" binder with pocket inserts
- ☐ 5-6 tab subject dividers to separate classes, including AVID Elective
- ☐ Zipper pouch to store supplies
- ☐ 2 or more pens (red and black or blue)
- ☐ 2 or more pencils
- ☐ College Notebook Paper
- ☐ Agenda/daily planner/calendar (in or outside of binder)

## **Suggested Contents:**

- ☐ 1 or more colored highlighter pens
- ☐ Notebook
- ☐ Color pencils
- ☐ Manual pencil sharpener with shavings receptacle



# { Commit to Student Success with AVID }

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AVID Stands for **Advancement Via Individual Determination**. It designed to help students with high academic potential prepare for entrance to colleges and universities. We do this through WICOR strategies supporting Writing, Inquiry, Collaboration, Organization and Reading.



## WICOR

### Reading

- Deep Reading Strategies
- Note-Taking
- Graphic Organizers
- Vocabulary Building
- Summarizing
- Reciprocal Teaching

### Organization

- Deep Reading Strategies
- Note-Taking
- Graphic Organizers
- Vocabulary Building
- Summarizing
- Reciprocal Teaching

### Writing

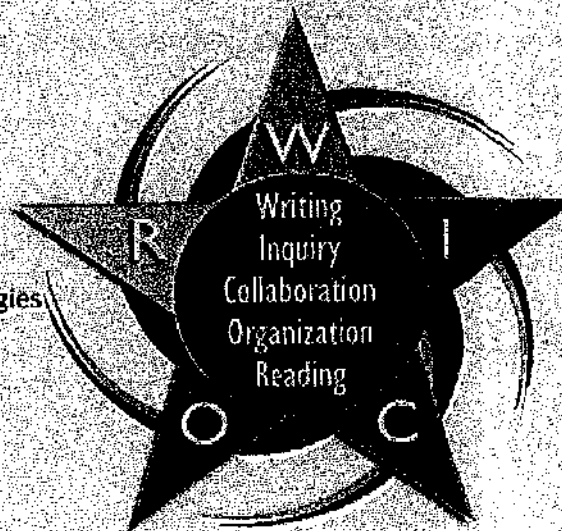
- Cornell Note-Taking
- Learning Logs
- Quick-writes & Reflections
- Process Writing
- Peer Evaluation
- Authentic Writing

### Inquiry

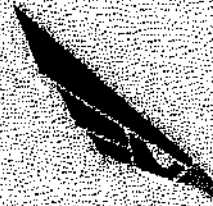
- Skilled Questioning Techniques
- Costa's Levels of Thinking
- Socratic Seminars
- Tutorials
- Investigations
- Questions that Guide Research

### Collaboration

- Socratic Seminars
- Tutorials
- Philosophical Chairs
- Group Activities & Projects
- Peer Editing Groups
- Service Learning Projects



# 2020-2021 Student Clubs and Organizations



<u>Club Name</u>	<u>Advisor</u>
Multicultural Club	debbieb.kennedy@cms.k12.nc.us.
Gay- Straight Alliance	williams.wertz@cms.k12.nc.us.
Speech and Debate	kimberlyr.oden@cms.k12.nc.us
Cardinal Ambassadors	anas.cunningham@cms.k12.nc.us. kimberlyr.oden@cms.k12.nc.us
Key Club	melissar.downing@cms.k12.nc.us.
Right Moves for Youth (Girls)	tricia.parkins@cms.k12.nc.us
Right Moves for Youth (Boys)	Officer Gilchrist - mgilchrist@cmpd.org
Mu Alpha Theta (Math Honor Society)	omur1.yakuphafizoglu@cms.k12.nc.us
National Honor Society	t.guilfoyle@cms.k12.nc.us
HOSA	samanthad.petty@cms.k12.nc.us.
National Technical Honor Society	deepal.patel@cms.k12.nc.us
Art Club	jenniferl.burgher@cms.k12.nc.us
Photography	virginia1.johnson@cms.k12.nc.us
Wake Up Club	dundrad.mcmore@cms.k12.nc.us
NSBE**	janettan.mack@cms.k12.nc.us.
Healthy Minds	kaphleent.chavannes@cms.k12.nc.us
Drama Club	williams.wertz@cms.k12.nc.us.
JROTC	eugene1.simon@cms.k12.nc.us
Game Club	marvinr.robinson@cms.k12.nc.us



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Japanese Club	tiemi.halverson@cms.k12.nc.us
Berry S.P.L.T.S. (SPeaking IT Strongly) (Spoken Word Poetry)	natashat.wall@cms.k12.nc.us
Spanish Honor Society	hecmarie1.beckham@cms.k12.nc.us
Latin Dance Club	hannahh.evans@cms.k12.nc.us
Technology Student Association	keitho.hargrave@cms.k12.nc.us
Brown Girls Big Things	ashleym.hampton@cms.k12.nc.us

**PHILLIP O. BERRY VIRTUAL SCHEDULE 2020-2021**  
**BEGINNING FRIDAY AUGUST 21**

<b>Block I:</b>	<b>8:00-9:27</b>
<b>Block II:</b>	<b>9:37-11:04</b>
<b>LUNCH:</b>	<b>11:04-11:35</b>
<b>Block III:</b>	<b>11:40-1:07</b>
<b>Block IV:</b>	<b>1:17-2:45</b>
<b>Virtual Ending to School Day:</b>	<b>2:45</b>

**Each block consists of the following:**

- 12 minutes of SEL (Social and Emotional Learning) Time
- 40 minutes of Synchronous (live, real-time engagement with teacher) learning
- 35 minutes of Asynchronous (independent work time) learning

**A Day/B Day Designations:**

- Friday August 21<sup>st</sup> will be an "A" day
- Monday August 24<sup>th</sup> will be a "B" day
- Tuesday August 25<sup>th</sup> will be an "A" day
- Wednesday August 26<sup>th</sup> will be a "B" day
- Continue to alternate for remainder of year