

**September 22, 2020**

*Dear PHS Family,*

*We are excited to begin our face to face, "A" Week/"B" Week learning, next week. We miss seeing the incredible energy our students bring to campus and can't wait until they are back.*

*This academic year is certainly going to look and feel a bit different than past years, but we are confident that we are poised to make it another great year for the Pisgah Bears. At the same time, we continue to ask all of our students and staff to do their part by wearing face coverings, practicing social distancing, and washing hands regularly. Remember, we're all in this together. We are going to continue the "Pisgah Family" approach here at school.*

*Go Bears!*

**Schedule:**

PHS has compiled a list of students wishing to start Blended Learning and those students wishing to stay Remote Only from responses to the HCS intent survey and individual phone calls. Students will have the option to change learning plans until Oct. 9th. All other requests are Principal discretion. Please use the below form to switch from Remote to Blended Learning.

[PHS Blended Learning Request](#)

- Blended Learning (Face to Face)
  - A Week: Students with the last name beginning with **A-K**
    - "A" Week students will begin face to face learning at PHS with their current schedule and teachers on Monday, September 28th. The students will start remote learning the week of October 5th- 9th. They will continue to alternate between face to face learning and remote learning.
  - B Week: Students with the last name beginning with **L-Z**
    - "B" Week students will continue remote learning with their current schedule and teacher for the week of September 28th- October 2nd. "B" week students will start face to face learning at PHS on Monday, October 5th. They will continue to alternate between face to face learning and remote learning.

\*\*\*Blended Learning students course schedules will remain the same.

\*\*\*\*In families where siblings have different last names, siblings will attend face to face the week assigned to the oldest student.

- Remote Learning Only
  - PHS will be in contact with students who have chosen this option to inform them of their new PHS Remote Learning teachers and schedule. We will contact you via AlertNow phone call, email with new schedule and google classroom codes by Friday, Sept. 25th. In most instances, students' schedules will change and

teachers will be different. This selection will require students to be very mature and diligent to stay on pace with each course due to the amount of rigorous curriculum that will be covered. This program will be a module based asynchronous learning format. Students will be expected to independently work on assignments throughout the semester. These courses will be rigorous in nature and graded to count towards graduation credits and GPA. Remote Learning students will only be permitted to campus after 3:00 for scheduled school events. Students choosing this option will need internet access.

### **Attendance:**

- **Blended Learning (Face to Face)**
  - Face to Face Weeks: Attendance will be taken as normal. Students will be expected to attend everyday. If students are absent they should bring a doctor's note to make the absence excusable.
  - Non-Face to Face Weeks: Attendance will be taken remotely. Students will be expected to complete assignments and/or attend Google Meets as required by their teacher to be marked present. If a student is absent due to doctors appointments and/or sickness they need to communicate this with their teachers to make the absence excusable.
  
- **Remote Learning Only**
  - Attendance will be based on module completion and scoring rubrics. Students will be expected to complete assignments and/or attend Google Meets as required by their remote learning teacher to be marked present. Students that do not complete assignments on Google Classroom will be in danger of failing the course.

### **Contacts:**

- Any concerns or scheduling questions can be communicated with the following school personnel:
  - **Counselors:**
    - Mr. Alt- If your last name begins with **A-G**
      - [ralt@haywood.k12.nc.us](mailto:ralt@haywood.k12.nc.us)
    - Mrs. Mills- If your last name begins with **H-O**
      - [lmills@haywood.k12.nc.us](mailto:lmills@haywood.k12.nc.us)
    - Mrs. MacLeod- If your last name begins **P-Z**
      - [cmacleod@haywood.k12.nc.us](mailto:cmacleod@haywood.k12.nc.us)
  - **Athletics**
    - Ms. Morgan - Athletic Director
      - [hemorgan@haywood.k12.nc.us](mailto:hemorgan@haywood.k12.nc.us)
  - **Administration**
    - Mr. Conner- **12th grade**
      - [cconner@haywood.k12.nc.us](mailto:cconner@haywood.k12.nc.us)

- Mr. Conard- **11th grade**
  - [cconard@haywood.k12.nc.us](mailto:cconard@haywood.k12.nc.us)
- Ms. Wells- **10th grade**
  - [kwells@haywood.k12.nc.us](mailto:kwells@haywood.k12.nc.us)
- Mrs. Baldwin- **9th grade** and any **bus** concerns or questions.
  - [abaldwin@haywood.k12.nc.us](mailto:abaldwin@haywood.k12.nc.us)

*Good luck to all of our students, faculty and staff as we start the return to campus next week, and stay tuned for regular communications from Pisgah High School as blended learning begins. We are excited to see you all in a few weeks.*

*Sincerely,  
PHS Admin and Staff*