

Dear Armstrong Families,

This morning the CDC, based on recent studies, released updated guidelines for schools, including new guidance on student spacing if other safety measures (e.g., masks, hand washing) are in place.

Along with San Mateo's move to the orange tier, the overall lower community spread, and the widespread vaccinations of educators, these are positive signs from a health and safety standpoint and wonderful news for students, families, and schools everywhere.

What does this mean for Armstrong?

We are excited to let you know that we will be bringing our students back to campus 5 days a week beginning Monday April 19th. We will continue to provide a remote option for those students who require one - and are sensitive to the fact this change may be a hard one for those students. We will be reaching out to you in a few weeks to confirm whether your student will be remote or on campus for this next period, which we expect to remain in place through the end of the school year.

We know this schedule change is an important transition for our students, families, faculty, and staff. In preparation for this transition, we will hold school fully remotely the week of April 12th (the week after Spring Break). Faculty will be teaching remotely that week from their classroom on campus. This plan will allow us time to prepare our classrooms and campus for our full on-campus schedule the week of April 19th. In addition, this plan provides health and safety protection to our whole community the week after many students are traveling or congregating with family during Spring Break.

We recognize that this new schedule will result in a change to your weekly schedule, and we are working towards doing this new plan in the least disruptive way possible.

As we move to this new schedule, Armstrong will continue to follow public health guidance to ensure the health and safety of all community members.

We are so looking forward to ending our year this way.

Have a great weekend - Jessica