

Good Morning PK Families,

We wanted to share responses to questions we have received:

Question from the Community	Leadership Response
DCPS has shared 8/31 and 9/3 as start dates for Pre-Kindergarten. Please confirm which start date is correct.	Pre-Kindergarten will start with Virtual Home Visits on 8/31. Our goal is to move the traditional home visit to a virtual space on Monday 8/31 and Tuesday 9/1. We are planning for instruction based on the distance learning schedule to begin on Thursday 9/3. We will collaborate with teachers during preservice to determine schedules and structures for home visits and plan for parent communication.
When will teachers be reaching out to Pre-Kindergarten students and how will they make contact?	We are working on moving the home visits to a virtual space. We will share class lists and determine a schedule during preservice next week. Teachers will make contact based on enrollment information available (call, text, email). Grade level town halls will occur Thursday for ECE as well as our K-5 classes.
When will my student receive their login information for Canvas?	Our plan is to confirm with teachers and share this information with families next week during preservice.
The original schedule for Pre-Kindergarten had 30-60 minutes of live instruction. The schedule now has 110 minutes minimum. Why the change?	We revisited the schedule to offer more live sessions in consideration of small group opportunities, individual student/family check-ins, and opportunities for social time (lunch bunch). Though the block of time is live, not every student will be live for the duration. They may be completing asynchronous assignments.
On the Pre-Kindergarten schedule, what do groups A, B, C and D mean?	We have taken the larger class time and made four opportunities for small group differentiation and personalization of learning. Each student will be assigned to one small group by teachers. Small Groups A and C only meet Mon and Thurs & Small Groups B and D only meet Tues and Fri.
Can you explain the difference between the left and right side of the schedule for PK3/4?	There will be times when the larger class is divided into smaller groups. Part of the class may be working with the teacher and the other part is working with the para, specialist or independently with asynchronous assignments.
Are lunch bunch and literacy lesson in the afternoon both live sessions for students?	Yes, these sessions will be live/synchronous.
When will my student receive their login information for Canvas?	Our plan is to confirm with teachers and share this information with families next week during preservice.
When do we find out a student ID number?	You can email virginia.turner@k12.dc.gov for your child's student ID number.

Who should we contact if we have not received the summer mailer?	You can email virginia.turner@k12.dc.gov for your child's teacher. All other contents of the summer mailer can be found using the distance learning link provided below.
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If you still have a question, feel free to reach out to us and check out these helpful links:

<https://www.capitolhillclusterschool.org/principalmessage>

<https://www.capitolhillclusterschool.org/distance-learning>

<https://dcpsreopenstrong.com/>

We wish you all well!