



## ***PGMS Family Overview for Distance Learning 2020-2021***

**Introduction** - This is an overview of the current plan to reopen Pacific Grove Middle School. Monterey County schools will offer distance learning only as school reopens in the Fall, per the Monterey County Health Department and County Office of Education. The plan is flexible enough to allow us to shift into a blended model of instruction (a combination of virtual and in-person classes) when County officials determine it is safe to do so. As the county guidelines change, our plan for reopening may be adjusted. We realize that this will not answer all of our community’s questions, so if you have questions or comments, please contact Principal Sean Roach by email at [sroach@pgusd.org](mailto:sroach@pgusd.org).

### **Program Offered**

1. Full Distance Learning - All students attend classes and receive instruction virtually, five days a week.

	Monday		Tues/Thurs	Wed/Fri	
7:45- 8:25	Period 1*	8:00 - 9:15			
8:30- 9:10	Period 2	8:35 - 9:15	Period 1* (*PE, AVID, Choir only)		Synchronous Instruction
9:20- 10:00	Period 3	9:15-9:35	Break (20)		Asynchronous Work Time
10:10- 10:45	Advisory 10:10-10:40	9:35 - 10:55	Period 2	Period 3	Breaks
10:45- 11:00	Break	10:55-11:15	Break (20)		
11:00- 11:40	Period 4	11:15 - 12:35	Period 4	Period 5	
11:50- 12:30	Period 5	12:35-1:20	Lunch (45)		
12:30- 1:15	Lunch	1:20- 2:40	Period 6	Period 7	
1:15- 1:55	Period 6	2:40 - 3:00			
2:05- 2:45	Period 7	3:00 - 3:40	Period 8* (*Jazz Band only)		
2:45- 3:00	Break				
3:00- 3:40	Period 8*				

### **Full Distance Learning - Strengths of Recommended Schedule**

- Students do all learning from home
- Instruction will be computer based, but will also include traditional materials (paper, workbooks, manipulatives, etc.)
- 160 minutes of synchronous online learning per week, per class, with 80 minutes of asynchronous (independent) work spread over the week.
- All students have live interaction with a teacher and classmates every day (5 days/week)
- Structured schedule offered for Monday asynchronous work
- All asynchronous instructional minutes fit within a typical school day (8-3), so school time doesn’t need to interrupt family time
- Character development and social-emotional learning work continues in weekly Advisory class.
- Block schedule allows for lesson flexibility within each class period (Gradual Release)
- Only three classes Tues-Fri reduces likelihood students will feel overwhelmed
- Attendance and online engagement will be monitored each class period
- Teachers available for individual student support throughout lessons and during office hours (TBD)

**Special Education**

- Students who qualify for Special Education will be contacted by the Special Education department regarding the reopening plan and your students' individual education plan (IEP).

**Lunch**

- Lunches will be available to qualifying students at multiple pickup locations, coordinated by the Nutrition Director, Stephanie Lip.

**Timeline (Dates are tentative and may change)**

Aug. 4 - 11 - Teacher preparation and trainings

Aug. 12 - Current start date of school

- First day of school will follow the Monday schedule (above), however, all classes will be live virtual meetings.

**Student Supplies**

- A list of recommended student supplies will be sent out via email and posted on the PGMS website ([pgmiddle.pgusd.org](http://pgmiddle.pgusd.org)) as soon as it is available.