



Dear Parents and Guardians,

In light of recent events and the continued situation surrounding CoVid-19, we will be opening this fall using a hybrid model. This model will have approximately half of our students in the building at a time, allowing for more social distancing, reducing the total students per bus, and reducing the number of people your children come in contact with daily. As part of our plan, parents can decide to engage in distance learning and keep their children home for on-line school at no penalty to your child.

Students will be split by alphabet, and all information will be mailed home shortly. We are currently updating our rosters to ensure we have the most accurate information prior to mailings. Students will be split into A day groups (Monday and Tuesday) and B day Groups (Wednesday and Thursday) with full remote learning for all students on Friday. All lessons will be recorded so they can be watched anytime.

When students are in the building, they will be grouped with a teacher advisor, 2 fellows, and approximately 12 students. Teachers, fellows, and students will not move throughout the day. Students will receive live instruction from their assigned in-class teacher, and live-streamed learning from their other content teachers throughout the day. For example, if I have an English teacher for an advisor, I will have her live in my class. Her lesson will be live on video in another room so those students can have her also. When the math teacher from the other class is teaching their students live, I will watch them on live-video in my room with my fellows and teacher helping me. I can ask live questions using the chat feature or by turning on my microphone. Students who remain home will be allowed to access live lessons through our Learning Management System and can participate also. When students are not in the building, they will have scheduled support time with teachers and fellows, similar to the small groups that we had during the spring.

We will be hosting 3 virtual town-halls on Monday August 17th, Tuesday August 18th, and Wednesday August 19th to provide more information and answer any questions. Please check our website (bridgeport.greatoakscharter.org) or our social media pages for times.

Be well, be safe,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Scalice", written over a light gray background.

John Scalice, Executive Director
Great Oaks Charter School