

Good Afternoon,

When the school doors open tomorrow, more than six months, 188 days to exact, will have passed since the last day of in person instruction at Abington Middle School. On behalf of the entire AMS staff, we are beyond excited to see students again. This is our purpose, it's what we do, and we are glad to be able to do it again. A tremendous amount of planning and preparation has taken part in preparation for this year's school opening and I would be remiss if I didn't take the opportunity to thank those people at Abington Middle School, within the Abington Public Schools, and beyond that have provided the support and assistance necessary for this redesign of our practices and systems to take place. Thank you to all who took part in this work; your efforts will make a difference for our students as we begin the 2020-2021 school year. We know there will be adjustments necessary as we move through the first days and weeks of the school year, and appreciate your continued patience as we navigate these new waters.

Over the past few days our teachers have used Flipgrid to create short introductory videos of themselves. For our incoming fifth graders, we've also included video introductions to portions of the building. We invite you to follow the links below to view these Flipgrid videos. To access the videos, view as a guest and use the password is **GreenWave**.

Grade 5: <https://flipgrid.com/5a07cdd3>

Grade 6: <https://flipgrid.com/d4a0d541>

Grades 7 & 8: <https://flipgrid.com/1b818040>

Tomorrow the Green cohort will have its first day of in person learning. The Wave cohort will be learning from home. Teaching teams have provided assignments for Wave students to work on tomorrow. Green cohort students will access these assignments on Thursday and compete them during their first at home learning experience.

Those assignments can be accessed here: [Day 1 Remote Assignments](#)

Have a restful night. I look forward to seeing everyone tomorrow morning.

Matthew J. MacCurtain

Principal

Sarah Sawyers

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