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To the families of **9th and 10th graders**,

On behalf of the entire BTWHSPVA faculty and staff, we are excited to welcome our 9th and 10th grade in-person learners to campus on **Monday, October 5th**. Beginning this week, freshmen and sophomores who have elected to attend in-person will come to campus on Monday and Tuesday for their in-person art classes and attend academic classes virtually on Thursday and Friday. Wednesdays will be an asynchronous learning day for students to complete and turn in work and check in with their teachers.

Regardless of your mode of learning (in-person or remote learner), the time schedule will change next week based on the days of the week. You will still have the same classes; however, they are grouped differently by day:

9th and 10th grade on-campus			
Monday and Tuesday	Start	Stop	Duration
Entry Procedures	8:30 AM	8:50 AM	0:20
Flex	9:00 AM	9:45 AM	0:45
Morning Arts Block*	9:55 AM	12:35 PM	2:40
Flex Lunch	12:45 PM	1:45 PM	1:00
Afternoon Arts Block*	1:55 PM	4:15 PM	2:20
Flex & Exit	4:25 PM	4:35 PM	0:10

*Arts Blocks will be your 6th, 7th and 8th period classes. Your Conservatory Director will provide information about how these classes are divided among the AM and PM arts blocks

Wednesday: All students will be learning at home on Wednesdays and checking in with their teachers for FLEX and during assigned teacher office hours

9th and 10th grade at-home learning			
Thursday and Friday	Start	Stop	Duration
Wake up and Get Ready	8:30 AM	8:50 AM	0:20
Individual Studying	9:00 AM	9:45 AM	0:45
1st period online	9:45 AM	10:35 AM	0:50
2nd period online	10:45 AM	11:35 AM	0:50
3rd period online	11:45 AM	12:35 PM	0:50
Flex Lunch	12:45 PM	1:45 PM	1:00
4th period online	1:55 PM	2:45 PM	0:50
5th period online	2:55 PM	3:45 PM	0:50
Individual Studying	3:55 PM	4:35 PM	0:40

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Video: We have prepared a video overview which explains our Hybrid model. Please take a moment to review it by clicking [here](#).

Designated Entrance/Exit: On Monday and Tuesday, please remember your conservatory's assigned entrance and exit:

Dance: Student Entrance near the Faculty Lot

Theater: Visitor Entrance near the Circle Drive off of Routh Street

Visual Arts: Historic Entrance off of Flora Street

Music: Montgomery Arts Theater Lobby off of Jack Evans Street

New students: For new students that have not yet been on campus, there will be teachers and staff members at each entrance to help guide you to your FLEX class location.

Safety Requirements: You must wear a mask from the time you enter campus until the time you leave. Bus riders must wear their mask while on the bus. The mask must be worn properly over your mouth and nose. We must be 100% compliant with this rule for your safety and the safety of others. If you haven't already received them, each student will receive three reusable BTW masks, a bottle of hand sanitizer, an optional face shield, and a personal plexiglass tri-fold divider (which will be used and kept at school). All on-campus students will eat breakfast and lunch with their FLEX groups in their designated classroom. Remember – school breakfast and lunch are free for all students. Sanitize your hands often throughout the day. Social distancing rules will be in effect in classrooms, hallways, and outdoor locations at all times.

Your FLEX teachers should have reviewed all of this information with you; however, I know it is good to see it on paper. Reminder: if you elected to be in-person, your on-campus days are **Monday and Tuesday**.

Please remember our vision statement – *We are an intersection of innovation and creation. We are a home for the young artists and thinkers that will write the next chapter of our society.* Our BTW community has been innovative and creative with our schedule to maximize your arts learning while preserving the strong academic foundation we have built. Our approach may be different, but I know that our creative revolutionaries will continue to amaze us with their determination. We look forward to seeing all of our in-person 9th and 10th graders in their FLEX at 9 AM on Monday morning!

In CommUNITY,

Scott M. Rudes, Ph.D
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