



**TO:** Monongalia County Schools' Community  
**FROM:** Dr. Eddie Campbell  
*Superintendent, Monongalia County Schools*  
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**re:** MCS Second Nine Week Schedule

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As Monongalia County Schools looks forward to successfully completing the first nine weeks of this extraordinary academic year, we're planning ahead through the upcoming holidays to the second half of our first semester.

MCS' current Blended and Distance Learning models have been extended through Jan. 20, 2021, the end of our second nine-week grading period. MCS Blended students will continue to receive in-person instruction in our schools every other day and our Distance learners will continue to access instruction virtually through Jan. 20.

However, through this coming Monday, Nov. 2, 2020, students currently enrolled as MCS Distance learners have the opportunity to join the county's Blended students for every-other-day, in-person instruction through the end of the first semester. I encourage parents interested in taking advantage of this opportunity to contact their children's school principals by end-of-day Monday.

Our staff, administrators and Board of Education appreciate the challenges both Blended and Distance Learning models pose for our students' families: we're looking forward to welcoming all our students back into our classrooms every day, too. However, current COVID-19's trends and projections by public health experts indicate that this pandemic is not going away in the immediate future. We will continue to operate with an abundance of caution following the re-introduction of some of our MCS Distance learners into our classrooms. Additionally, we'll monitor COVID incidence rates especially closely during the weeks following our fall and winter breaks as we plan our second semester schedule.

Speaking of breaks, here's a quick review of the MCS overall calendar for the next two months – and here's hoping you enjoy your time off safely.

**Nov. 23-25** – Non-traditional days of instruction/remote learning for all students

**Nov. 26 & 27** – Schools and offices closed

**Dec. 22 & 23** – Non-traditional instructional days/remote learning for all students

**Dec. 24 & 25** – Schools & offices closed

**Dec. 28-30** – Schools closed, offices open

**Dec. 31 & Jan. 1** – Schools & offices closed