



Dear Grady Cluster Families,

Today, our superintendent, Dr. Lisa Herring, announced that Atlanta Public Schools will delay its return to face-to-face instruction due to an unfavorable trend in COVID-19 cases in our community and in consultation with public health officials and healthcare experts. That means the district will postpone all reopening plans for in-person learning until January 2021.

Dr. Herring shared this decision in her blog and her weekly address *The Week* (<https://talkupaps.wordpress.com/>), both of which provide more details about the decision and ongoing plans for Atlanta Public Schools.

APS and our schools need your support and engagement now more than ever. On behalf of the Grady Cluster Principals, we want to thank you for your continued support during the first 9 weeks of the school year. We want to encourage unity across our cluster and our school system as we work together through this pandemic and continue to support and give grace to one another.

We are very grateful for our passionate and dedicated Grady Cluster teachers who have worked diligently to meet the needs of all students. Effective immediately, Wednesdays will return to synchronous learning, where students K - 12 will continue in classes with teachers per the local school's schedule.

Please know that our commitment extends beyond the academic success of our students. We are keenly aware of how isolating this experience can be for both students and parents, and will continue to be responsive to your concerns. Do not hesitate to reach out for resources and support. We are in this together!

Sincerely,

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