



October 16, 2020

PCS Families,

Please take a moment to read through this week's updates and reminders -

### **COVID Data**

Disclaimer: our information is self-reported and often dependent on what people tell us, so that should be considered when evaluating our data. Reporting of system data has been a local decision, and there is no process or consistent format currently required by the state. Comparisons of information from other local systems may not be evaluating the same data sets. For Pelham City Schools, our numbers are based on current cases that are causing a school absence. Therefore, a positive case or quarantine case will likely be counted for at least two weeks in the data until that person is returned to school.

For the week ending October 16:

We have 8 reported COVID positive cases under quarantine which includes 5 students (0.2% of our on-campus student population) and 3 staff members (0.8% of our staff population).

We had 88 total quarantine cases which include the reported COVID positive cases, close contacts of positive cases, and people who are exhibiting COVID symptoms as identified by the ADPH. These 88 cases include 80 students (3.6% of our on-campus student population) and 8 staff members (2% of our staff population).

As all schools go back to more of a traditional schedule, it is important that we remain vigilant in our health and wellness measures. As more students return, we should prepare for the possibility that more quarantines will occur. Please know that we will monitor the information closely, and we will continue our efforts to keep our schools safe and open.

For the most recent guidance from the Alabama Department of Public Health related to COVID-19 symptoms and quarantine guidance, [click here](#).

### **Attendance Schedule by School**

- Pelham Oaks Elementary and Pelham Ridge Elementary will continue with in-person instruction for Traditional students Monday through Friday. Students who selected the Remote learning option will continue learning at home.

- Pelham Park Middle School and Pelham High School will continue with in-person instruction for Traditional and Blended students Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday. Traditional or Blended students will not attend school on Wednesday, but they are expected to do coursework remotely. Students who selected the Remote learning option will continue learning at home.
- [Click here](#) for a quick glance at the attendance schedule by school.

### **Pelham Homecoming Week - October 19-23**

- Students at all schools are invited to take part in themed Dress Up Days throughout the week. [Click here to view the theme for each day of the week.](#)
- The homecoming football game featuring Pelham taking on Chilton County at Ned Bearden Stadium will take place on Friday, October 23 at 7 pm.
- Recognition of the Pelham High School Homecoming Court and crowning of the Homecoming Queen and King will take place at half-time during the October 23 football game.
- For those who purchased Homecoming Spirit Shirts from the Pelham City Schools Foundation, the shirts will be delivered to the schools the week of October 19 (shirts will be delivered to the school of the student indicated on the order form).

Be safe and stay well,

Dr. Scott Coefield  
Superintendent  
Pelham City Schools