

Executive Director's Report

September 21, 2020



Business Office Reorganization



Business Office Reorganization (Before)

**Director of
Finance &
Operations**

Staff Accountant

**Fund Development
Coordinator (part-time)**

Business Office Reorganization (After)

Business Manager

Cash & Accounting

Business Manager

Budget & Personnel

Business Manager

Advancement & Marketing

Charter Renewal Update



Charter Renewal Interview

- Petition submitted
- Atlanta Public Schools/Georgia Department of Education interview panel to take place Tuesday, September 22nd
 - Board members: Kristen Frenzel, Jordache Avery, Lee Kynes, Hanah Goldberg
 - Leadership: Cathey Goodgame, Lara Zelski, Chuck Meadows
- APS makes recommendation to the GDOE, GDOE board votes in the spring

COVID-19 Update



COVID-19 Update: Current Status

Attendance throughout HOWL 2.0 remains high

K-2 devices distributed

Individual meetings/check-ins with families continue

Technical issues addressed on a day-to-day basis

Some teachers are teaching from the classrooms

Projects underway at both campuses

COVID-19 Update: Reopening Plans

On Friday, September 18th, APS indicated their plans to bring "certain students back for face-to-face instruction by Monday, October 26".

Specific plans and timing have yet to be developed/announced.

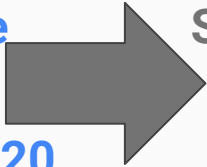
This opens the door for us to also consider how and if we should bring students back in or near the same timeframe.

COVID-19 Update: Reopening Plans

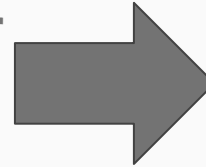
- A large-scale pivot from one format to another is more difficult when school is in session
- Operational advantage of an incremental introduction of students back into the building
- Concerns about returning to in-person instruction remain
- Classrooms will have to be prepared/outfitted

Timeline

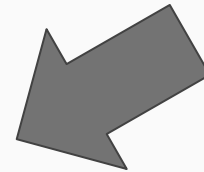
Initial Closure
HOWL
March - May 2020



Start of 20/21 School Year
HOWL 2.0
August - October



2nd Qtr 20/21 School Year
HOWL III
November - December



Second Semester 20/21 School Year
HOWL Hybrid
January - May

HOWL III November - December 2020

Kindergartners & students with individualized education plans given the option of everyday, in-person learning

- In-person instruction would begin on November 5th
- Current schedule would remain in place
- Wednesdays would remain 100% virtual for all students
- In-person/virtual selection would remain in place through the end of the first semester

HOWL Hybrid January - May 2021

- All parents/caregivers would have the option of 100% virtual learning for their students
- Parents/caregivers of students in the following categories would have the option of daily, in-person classroom instruction:
 - Kindergarten and first grade students
 - Students with an Individualized Education Plan
 - Students who speak English as a second language
 - Students with a 504 plan
 - Students from economically disadvantaged families
- The remaining students would be divided into two cohorts that would alternate between in-person and virtual learning in two-week intervals
- Siblings would be placed in the same cohort