



Hybrid Learning FAQs

What is the plan?

All core academics will remain in remote learning for all students. Students who chose the in-person hybrid option on the Family Learning Selection commitment form will attend their SPECIALTY classes on campus in one of two 4-week cohorts.

- Cohort C: Tuesday, January 19 through Friday, February 12
- Cohort D: Tuesday, February 16 through Friday, March 12

Start/End Times

- 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM Music
- 1:30 PM - 4:30 PM Creative Writing, Dance, Math-Science, Theatre Arts, Visual Art

How will arrival and departure on campus be handled?

At arrival, students will not be allowed to enter the building until 15 minutes prior to the start time.

At dismissal, students will be called from their specialty cohort once their vehicle has arrived. Students are expected to depart campus immediately upon dismissal.

- Music and Theatre Arts will use the 19th Street DJD main entrance
- Creative Writing and Dance will use the school's main entrance (under the boats)
- Math-Science and Visual Arts will use the cafeteria entrance

All students will have to show their ASFA Healthcheck passport before they enter the building. Upon entering the building, students will go directly to their specialty department. Please make sure your students know exactly where to go when they arrive at school--THE APPROPRIATE ENTRANCE, AS WELL AS THE SPECIFIC AREA OF THE DEPARTMENT.

What is ASFA Healthcheck?

ASFA Healthcheck powered by UAB Guidesafe is a COVID-19 health screening tool. It is a web-based tool for employees and students that assesses the existence of any current COVID-19 related symptoms, exposure history, and testing history.

The required assessment will help us keep our campus safe and help our community beat COVID-19. Anyone coming on campus must complete the ASFA Healthcheck daily. [Click here for an FAQ](#) on ASFA Healthcheck. A link will be shared before the beginning of the cohorts to access ASFA Healthcheck.

What are the safety procedures for the campus?

Please read our full [safety guidelines and procedures](#) available [here](#), carefully. Some highlights of the plan:

- Everyone is required to complete a daily ASFA Healthcheck powered by UAB Guidesafe prior to coming to campus (or for dorm students, prior to leaving the 3rd floor).
- Temperatures checks need to be taken at home each morning to assist in accurately answering ASFA Healthcheck.
- A well-fitting, snug mask must be worn at all times.
- The HVAC system has been upgraded to hospital-grade filters.
- All walkways and hallways will be either one-directional or marked with appropriate bi-directional signage to ensure the ability to maintain social distancing
- Specialty cohorts will have designated entrances and restrooms to minimize exposure.
- Specialty departments will send more detailed information on their safety plans.

Will lunch or meals be served?

Students should eat lunch at home before they arrive at school--no lunches will be served other than for dorm students. Students who want school lunches (and breakfasts) should sign up for the free weekly meals to be picked up on Thursdays. Email Cindy Orcutt at corcutt@asfaschool.org for more information.

Will organizations and groups be meeting on campus?

No, in order to minimize interactions, all groups that involve students or teachers outside of the assigned cohorts will continue to meet virtually.

Can my student check-in or check-out (i.e. doctors appointments)?

While we understand students and/or parents will have events come up that may require a student to be checked out, we ask that parents do everything they can to avoid having to check their child out during the 3-hour specialty period on any given day. If you know they need to leave early (or may have to come in late), they should stay home and attend specialty classes virtually that day.

Where can my self-driving student park?

The Boutwell Parking Deck, BJCC lot, and on-street parking are all available for use. The Boutwell Deck is payable daily through their attendant or monthly through their website (ASFA rate is \$49/month).

Will visitors be allowed on campus?

During the time of in-person specialty instruction on campus, there will be NO VISITORS allowed.

How do I know what my cohort is?

You should have received an email from your specialty department chair. If you did not receive one, please contact them.

Can we change cohorts or switch to in-person?

Due to planning and staff requirements, on-campus specialty instruction is ONLY for those who opted in on the commitment form. Cohorts were formed based on the responses by specialty teachers to best serve the needs of students by placing students and faculty in groups for safety and curriculum.