

Dr. Ethel Allen Promise Academy



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Dear Dr. Ethel Allen Students & Families,

I would like to take the opportunity to welcome you to the 2020-2021 school year. This year is very different from the year's past resulting from COVID-19 but what will not waiver is Dr. Ethel Allen's commitment to high expectations for our student's education.

The Vision for Dr. Ethel Allen is:

Every student will have a strong foundation of academic, social, and emotional skills that allows them to not only attend the High School of their choice but be successful graduating in 4 years college and/or career ready.

For the start of the 2020-2021 school year, Dr. Ethel Allen will be virtual until 11/17/2020 which is the start of the second marking period. Before this time, the school board will make a determination if we continue virtual or return in a Hybrid format. If we transition to a hybrid format further information on what a typical school day will look like will be communicated to all.

The first day of the 2020 -2021 school year is **Wednesday, September 2, 2020, starting online at 8:10 am.**

As all staff are working primarily from home, we have altered main office hours and procedures. If you need to speak with the school secretary, nurse, or administrator please call the school, and if there is no answer leave a message that will be returned by the end of the day. You may also email the assistant principal, Mr. Edwards kedwards@philasd.org.

Directions For First Day or Prior to the Start of School

- Please email dmrosa@philasd.org (Secretary Ms. Rosa) if you have any questions about:
 - Registering your student
 - Your student's homeroom
- Students can view their homeroom locations on Schoolnet.
- Below is the schedule for all grades, classes, and content

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Please take a few moments to review Allen's virtual school procedures and policies below.

- **Virtual Arrival Procedure:** All classes begin at 8:10 with a virtual morning meeting. Students should go to their classroom link (Links will be emailed to students by their teacher and available in their google classroom). In order to maintain virtual integrity, parents can participate as needed. Students eating breakfast during morning meetings should expect to end breakfast by 8:20 am and prepared to start the academic day at that time.
- **Attendance Policy:** All students are expected to participate fully in virtual instruction. Attendance will be taken at multiple times throughout the day. If your child will be absent, please contact your child's teacher. Students are responsible for any missed work and should submit assignments upon their return.
- **Dress Code:** Students are expected to be in presentable attire that does not distract from learning. This includes being fully clothed from top to bottom and not being dressed in pajamas.
- **Technology:** Students who need technology must pick up a laptop from the school district at a distribution center. <https://www.philasd.org/coronavirus/chromebooks/>
- **Online Instruction:** Dr. Ethel Allen's virtual instruction will use Zoom, Google Meet, and Google Classroom. Teachers post daily assignments on Google Classroom. All students will have access to their Google Classrooms for the first day of school. In the Google Classroom, students will find the link to their Google Meet or Zoom, which is where live instruction and support will occur. Students will have assignments that are completed during the Google Meet or Zoom as well as work to do independently. If your child has any questions about their work, they can reach out to their teacher through Google Classroom or another mode as determined by the teacher. All assignments will be submitted through the Google Classroom.
- **School-Home Communication:** We encourage families to maintain communication with teachers. We aim to stay in communication with you regarding school-wide events, incentives, and other important information. Information can be obtained in the following ways:
 - School Calendar (distributed monthly)
 - School Website - ethelallen.philasd.org
 - Class Dojo
 - Twitter: @PhillyRoskos

IMPORTANT DATES:

8.31.20	Material Distribution Schoolwide
9.2.20	Material Distribution Schoolwide
9.2.20	First Day of School - 8:10 am
9.7.20	No School - Labor Day
9.9.20	Back to School Night - Virtually (Link will be posted in Google classrooms 5-7 pm)
9.28.20	No School - Yom Kippur
10.19.20	1st Interim Report