



An International Baccalaureate World School

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# *Back to School Family Information Session*

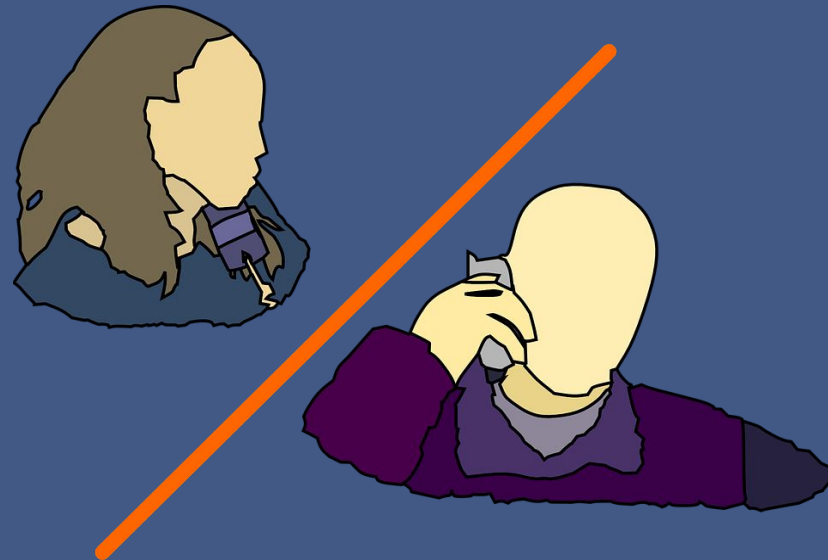
— Thursday, August 19th —

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# Traducción

Si necesita traducción al español, únase al seminario web y póngalo en silencio. Luego llame a la línea telefónica de conferencia para recibir la traducción de Angel Morales.



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# Agenda

- Mission
- Exciting News
- Health and Safety
- Technology
- Breakfast
- Bus / Transportation
- Uniforms
- Questions & Answers



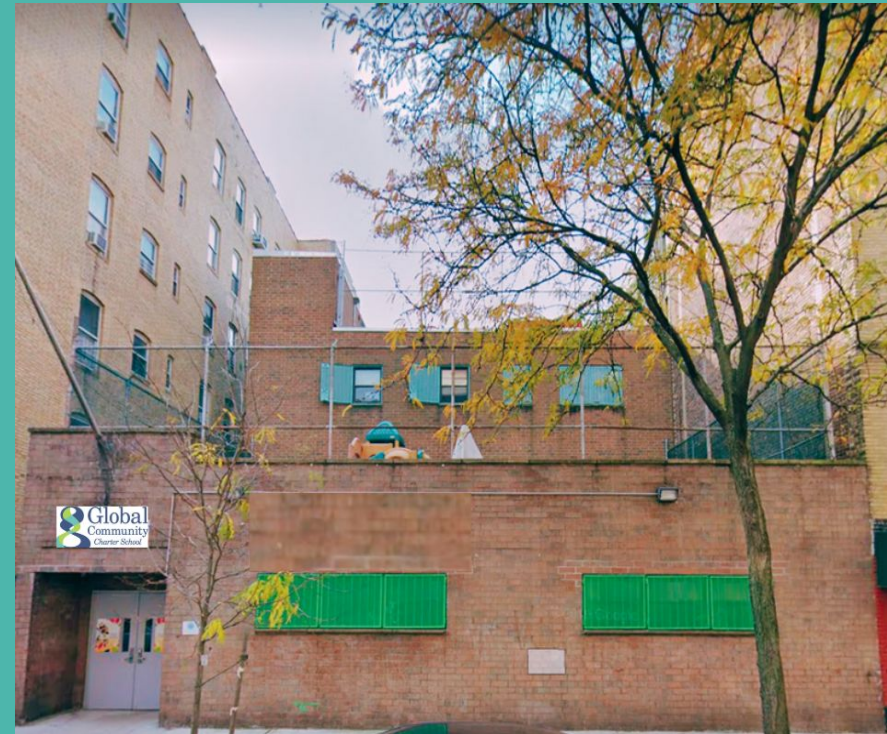
# Mission

Global Community Charter School serves Harlem and the surrounding community by providing students in grades PreK - 7th with an education that is rigorous, **inquiry-based**, and teaches students and families to **work together** across differences in language, culture, economic background, age, and nationality. GCCS prepares students for admission to a challenging secondary education and to exhibit the courage and conviction to **make a difference**.

# **GCCS**

# **Middle School**

**218 West. 147th Street**





**Send us your child's proof of testing to**

**[cluster1@globalcommunitycs.org](mailto:cluster1@globalcommunitycs.org)**





# Hot Topics

**We will not discuss these topics tonight**

- **Masks**
- **Vaccination ( not required)**
- **After School Program**

# Reminder

# Mandatory Orientation

## Orientation is for students only

- **Middle School Students (6th and 7th grade) - Monday, August 23rd**
  - 218 W. 147th Street, New York, NY 10039
- **4th and 5th grade - Tuesday, August 24th**
- **2nd and 3rd grade - Wednesday, August 25th**
- **Kindergarten and 1st grade - Thursday, August 26th**
- **PreK - Friday, August 27th**

**8:00 am to 12:30 pm**

**Students should eat breakfast at home, lunch will be served**

**First full day of school for all students is August 30th**



# Health & Safety

Last year, there were 0 cases of COVID spreading from one person to another.

Let's work together to ensure COVID is not spread in our school.

# Health & Safety

**Prevention is key!**

If your child is not feeling well, please keep your child at home.



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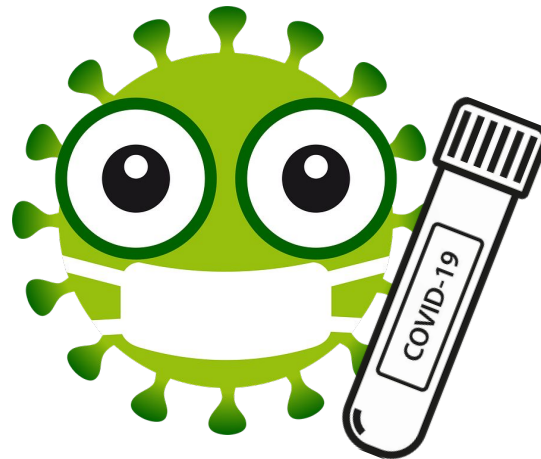
## Things that are the same from last year

- Mandatory masking for all students (PreK - 7th) and all staff members
- Temperature checks and screening questionnaire upon arrival
- Outdoor drop off and pick up ( regardless of the weather)
- Only students and staff permitted inside the school building
- Outdoor recess, weather permitting
- Individual school supplies for students. Not sharing materials
- Three counselors to support with social-emotional wellness
- Regular COVID testing for 1st to 7th grade students and staff

# Health & Safety

**New this school year**  
**On-site Covid testing for all students!**

You can also go to any testing site and submit proof of testing to  
[cluster1@globalcommunitycs.org](mailto:cluster1@globalcommunitycs.org).



**All students, 1st - 7th MUST be covid tested before their orientation date. At this time, PreK and K students do not need to be covid tested.**

# In person vs. Remote

All students are programmed to attend school in person

- If you would like your child to be remote, you must email [remote@globalcommunitycs.org](mailto:remote@globalcommunitycs.org)
- We are unable to offer blended learning (some days in person, other days remote)
- Remote students can switch to in-person learning when trimester two begins in November

**IMPORTANT:** Every family must have a child care plan in the event that their child needs to go remote.

# School Hours

## Elementary School

- All students must be in the building by 8:00 am.
- Arrival between 7:50 am - 8:00 am.
- No student is permitted to enter prior to 7:50 am
- Arrival after 8:00 am will be considered late.
- Monday - Thursday dismissal is at 4:00 pm
- Half days Fridays - 8:00 am to 12:00 pm

## Middle School

- All students must be in the building by 8:30 am.
- Arrival between 8:20 am - 8:30 am.
- No student will enter prior to 8:20 am
- Arrival after 8:30 am will be considered late.
- Fridays are half days - 8:30 am to 12:30 pm

# Entrance to School

## Pre - K & Kindergarten

Door 3 - 141st St.

Between 5th Ave. and Chisum Pl.

## 3rd Grade

Door 5 - 142nd St.

Between 5th Ave. and Chisum Place

Door closest to 5th Ave.

## 1st Grade & 2nd Grade

Door 1 - 5th Ave.

Between 141st and 142nd St.

## 4th Grade & 5th Grade

Door 4 - 142nd St.

Between 5th Ave. and Chisum Place

Door closest to Chisum Pl.



## Middle School

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# Technology

If you didn't return the device we provided last year, you will not be issued a new one this year

- All 3rd to 7th grade students will have a device that they should carry back and forth each day
- PreK - 2nd will use the devices we have at the school. If a PreK - 2nd grade class goes remote and the family does not have a device, a device will be provided.





# School Food

**Students will be provided healthy breakfast, lunch and snacks**

## **Breakfast**

- Due to social distancing; unfortunately, we are unable for serve breakfast on-site
- We will provide a week of meals to be eaten at home before students attend school

## **Lunch & Snacks**

- Students will eat lunch and snacks in the classrooms

# Transportation

## School busses are managed by the Office of Pupil Transportation (OPT); not GCCS.

- OPT determines if a student qualifies for bussing
- OPT will assign students their bus stop and pick up and drop off times
- The bus does NOT run in other boroughs; you must live in Manhattan to qualify to ride the bus.
- Busses will start running on **Monday, September 13th.**
  - **All students are expected to attend school starting on their orientation day, please plan accordingly.**
- Metro Cards will be provided

# School Uniforms

**Uniforms unite us as a community, reduce distractions and clothing competition. Students must wear the official school uniform every school day.**

- The school uniforms are available to be purchased online, [www.IdealUniform.com/gccsnyc](http://www.IdealUniform.com/gccsnyc).
- **Returning families**, please donate any gently used items, we will dry clean and distribute to those in need
- If there is a delay with your order and you need assistance with uniforms please contact
  - Elementary School Asst. Dean, Ms. Echevarria  
[mechevarria@globalcommunitycs.org](mailto:mechevarria@globalcommunitycs.org)
  - Middle School Asst. Dean - Mr. Sparkman  
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*Thank You !*