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Dear P.S.234 Families,

I would like to begin by thanking you for your support and understanding as we continue to navigate this unprecedented school year. I am very proud of the way our P.S.234 students, parents, and staff have handled the demands we have been, and continue to be faced with as we continue to educate and protect our students during the most unusual of circumstances.

As you may have heard on the news, students and staff will be returning to school on Monday, December 7, 2020. Please note that if your child is in Cohort A, their first day back in the building will be Tuesday, December 8, 2020 and if your child is in Cohort B, their first day back will be Monday, December 7, 2020. *During this first week, the week of Monday, December 7, 2020, P.S. 234 will continue to follow the blended Cohort schedule.* 

As per the Chancellor and the Mayor, we will be bringing back in-person learning for our Blended students to attend school 5 days a week. This only affects students in Cohort A and Cohort B and students who filled out the Learning Preference survey to move from Remote to Blended. This change will take effect on Monday, December 14, 2020. On this day ALL students in both Cohort A and B will attend school and continue to attend school on a daily basis.

As we move into this new phase of learning the safety of all students and staff is our number one priority. In order to maintain a safe and healthy environment the Department of Health will be conducting weekly Covid-19 testing. Please be aware that all students in Grades 1 to Grade 5 are required to provide consent for Covid-19 testing by December 7, (Cohort B) and December 8, (CohortA). Our parent coordinator, Mr. Brown has emailed this form to all families but you may also fill out the consent form online at <a href="https://www.mystudent.nyc.">www.mystudent.nyc.</a> Please note that students without consent will be moved to the fully remote cohort.

The health and safety of the children in our community is our number one priority. Over the past ten months we have all been experiencing a new way of life with COVID-19. Going forward we must continue to work together and follow the below guidelines in ensuring the safety of our school community. While in school, students must continue to wear face masks and maintain social distancing protocols. Please continue to complete the Daily Health Screening each morning before dropping your child off at school.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to Mr. Brown, our parent coordinator at <a href="mailto:JBrown112@schools.nyc.gov">JBrown112@schools.nyc.gov</a> or contact your child's teacher. We thank you for your partnership during this time and will continue to update you as we receive new information.

Thank you,

Dora Danner, Principal