



October 16, 2020

MBS Family,

We are excited to welcome all of our traditional students back to Mountain Brook Junior High and Mountain Brook High School on Monday, Oct. 19. Our teams at both schools have worked diligently to create plans for reopening safely at full capacity and are looking forward to being together again. As more students return to our campuses, please know our district remains committed to masking, distancing, and good hygiene, and understands how crucial they will be to our success. We also understand the importance of contact tracing in mitigating the spread and impact of COVID-19 in our schools.

Like other districts, Mountain Brook Schools will continue to comply with state guidelines and support contact tracing conducted by the Jefferson County Department of Health. [In this video](#), MBS COVID-19 Coordinator Sandra Overstreet explains how contact tracing works in our school system to limit virus spread and maintain continuity in instructional delivery. We encourage you to watch the video and, if you have any questions, email them to covid19questions@mtnbrook.k12.al.us.

You can help us with contact tracing and reducing coronavirus spread by avoiding large group gatherings; practicing masking, distancing, and good hygiene; and communicating with your school nurse regarding symptoms and positive tests. We are all in this season together and need your support to keep moving in the right direction.

As you know, MBS will continue to track data closely and follow guidance from the Jefferson County Department of Health, Alabama Department of Public Health, and Alabama State Department of Education. The expertise of these agencies has enabled our school district to make informed decisions that prioritize the health and safety of our school community while ensuring the continued provision of an effective, challenging, and engaging education.