

**Return to School Plan**  
**Frequently Asked Questions**  
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Thank you very much for completing our survey and enrolling your child(ren) in either remote learning or in-person learning as we return to school this fall. From the survey responses and conversation with parents, we have created the following Frequently Asked Question (FAQ) document for your convenience.

1. Is it possible to enroll my student in both in-person learning and remote learning?

**Students will be enrolled in one of the two options for the first quarter. At any point, if a parent decides to opt their child into remote learning, they may do this. Essentially, once opted into remote learning this decision will be enforced for the first quarter.**

2. Are all school supplies still needed if my child is remote learning?

**Students will engage in the same curriculum and instruction as their in-person peers. Therefore, it is suggested to get all school supplies. Additionally, we are hopeful for a vaccination/treatment option in the future which would return to in-person learning for all students.**

3. Would students attend a full school day?

**Students will dismiss at 1:05 PM daily during implementation of this plan. School Improvement Days will still have an 11:15 AM dismissal as previous school years.**

4. What is the plan for a student if he/she is medically unable to wear a mask?

**If a student is medically unable to wear a mask, the school must be provided a doctor's note medically exempting the student from wearing a mask and to attend school. Furthermore, a team consisting of the student, parents/guardians, and school staff must make a plan promoting and demonstrating that the student will be able to socially distance from other students and staff for everyone's safety.**

5. Must my child be in front of the computer following along with the live stream of Google Meet during remote learning?

**While it is highly encouraged for the student to follow along live with his/her classroom, we have purchased the Google Meet option allowing for the lessons to be recorded and shared with students. This recording cannot be shared by anyone besides school staff. The live streaming is encouraged to allow remote learners to ask questions throughout the lesson live with his/her classmates.**

6. Will hand sanitizer be in every room, and how often will students be able to wash their hands?

**Yes, hand sanitizer dispensers are located in each classroom. Students will have regular breaks in which they will wash their hands with soap and water.**

7. Will the students get breaks from wearing masks throughout the day?

**Yes, both the elementary and junior/senior high school will have breaks throughout the day where students will be able to socially distance, take off their masks, and eat snacks. Snacks should be sent in individual, daily packets.**

8. When will teachers be available for contact?

**Teachers are contracted on normal school days from 7:30 AM – 3:30 PM and are available through their school email. Staff can also be reached by calling the school outside of student attendance hours. Staff may check their email outside of contract hours, but are not obligated to do so.**

9. Will the school be sanitized and cleaned daily?

**Yes, each area of the school will be sanitized and cleaned multiple times a day.**

10. How will special education students enrolled in remote learning receive special education minutes and/or services?

**Special education students are encouraged to enroll in-person for best service of special education minutes and/or services. Students who are enrolled in remote learning, still may enter the building after completing the self-certification to receive special education minutes and/or services. If the special education student plans to receive instruction 100% remotely, the special education staff member(s) will coordinate these minutes and services with the family.**

### **Other Important Items:**

1. Back-to-School / Meet-the-Teacher Night will be held virtually this year. Teachers will set up Google Meet conferences with parents. This will give parents an idea of how the Google Meet feature works for their student while allowing parents and teachers to meet to clarify what the school year will look like under current circumstances.
2. The following is interpretation of the latest guidance as of August 3, 2020 regarding the return to school following a COVID-19 related absence. These are subject to change as any possible case would be consulted with the County Health Department. Furthermore, CDC, IDPH, or local health departments may update guidance in the future.
  - If an individual had close contact with someone who tested positive or is suspected of having COVID-19, he/she may return after 14-day quarantine period from date of last contact with individual.
  - If an individual tested positive or is suspected of having COVID-19 and had symptoms, he/she may return after (1) at least 10 days have passed since symptom onset and (2) at least 24 hours since resolution of fever and improvement of other symptoms OR may return after two negative COVID-19 tests in a row with testing done at least 24 hours apart.
  - If an individual has tested positive, but had no symptoms, he/she may return after at least 10 days have passed since date of first positive COVID-19 test OR may return after two negative COVID-19 tests in a row with testing done at least 24 hours apart.
  - If an individual exhibits one or more symptoms, but is not suspected of having COVID-19 such as season allergies, ear infection, seasonal flu, strep throat, migraine, etc., he/she may be possible to return in fewer than 10 days after onset of symptoms and 24 hours fever free with evidence of alternative reason for symptoms with release from physician for the student to return to school.
  - Individuals returning from international travel may return after 14 day quarantine from the date of return from trip.
3. Class lists will be provided in the very near future. We are collecting survey responses from the last few families. Once we have these figures, we will be able to finalize class lists.