



JULY 31, 2020

RETURN TO SCHOOL

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Personal & School Modifications

When will school start?

Students will return to school on August 24th. All other dates will remain the same to the 2020-2021 school calendar.

Will students and staff be required to wear masks?

Students and staff are expected to wear face coverings when physical distancing is not possible indoors

Will students and staff be required to have their temperature checked?

Periodic screenings, including random temperature checks, may be conducted. Students and staff with COVID-19 symptoms or a temperature of 100.4+ will be sent home.

If my child is sick, what should I do?

Please keep your sick child at home and contact your child's teacher. Learning materials will be provided for students through distance learning (virtually or using at home packets).

How will each school handle students who become sick at school?

School staff will evaluate the student's symptoms and have the student socially distance in a specific area. The child's parent or guardian will be contacted and asked to pick up the child as quickly as possible.

What will be used to determine a future school closure?

Guidance from the Governor's Office, Georgia Department of Education (GADOE), Public Health Officials, and other local agencies will be used to make decisions as it relates to school closures.



Teaching & Learning Modifications

Will elementary students be able to participate in recess?

Recess is an important part of an elementary child's overall well-being. Schools may consider staggering recess times.

Will students be able to participate in physical education, band, and other specials, connections, and electives?

Yes, schools will maximize physical distancing, frequent cleaning of classroom materials, and implement other precautions.

How is virtual learning different from distance learning during our spring 2020 school closure?

Students who decide to participate in the virtual learning program will be held to more rigorous expectations. This model is designed to ensure that students receive instruction that mirrors what they would receive if they were in the school building including instructional videos. This option is not available for pre-kindergarten students.

Will my child automatically be accepted to virtual learning?

No, there is an application and approval process. There are certain conditions that must be met prior to acceptance into the virtual learning program, such as access to the Internet, time commitment and parental support.

Can students who are enrolled at our College and Career Academy, sports, marching band and other extracurriculars participate in virtual learning?

Yes, students will be responsible for providing their own transportation school activities/ events..

How will virtual learning support a student with a disability, 504 plan or English learner?

A support meeting will be held prior to students being accepted into the virtual learning classroom to discuss the support needed while a student is enrolled in the virtual learning program.

Will 12 for Life be open?

The projected date for opening 12 for Life will be two weeks after the date students return to school.



Operational Modifications

Will my child be able to eat in the cafeteria?

The school cafeteria will be open. Schools may modify schedules, seating, and serving lines.

Can my child ride the school bus?

CCSS buses will be running their regular bus routes. Additional safety procedures will be in place including strongly encouraging wearing masks and hand sanitizer on each bus.

Will the water fountains be available for students?

Students will be encouraged to bring a water bottle from home.

If a student contracts COVID-19, will their absence be excused?

Yes. Absences for students due to COVID-19 symptoms or circumstances will be excused.

Additional Information

If I have more questions about my child returning to school, who should I contact?

For answers to questions, please contact your child's school or visit the Return to School section of the District website.

Please note this information is based on guidance from July 13, 2020 and subject to change.