



Safe Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Service Plan
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Overview

The Logan County Board of Education is committed to the health, safety, and well-being of all students, staff, and families. The plan was developed in coordination with local health officials and guidance from Kentucky Public Health.

Learning Options

Logan County Schools will provide two learning options for students (in-person classes or virtual learning). The details of each option are outlined below.

In-Person Learning

Health and Safety for All:

- Signage of best practices for healthy hygiene will be posted throughout the school.
- Proper cleaning and sanitation procedures of our schools and buses will occur throughout the school day and evening.
- Playground equipment will be sanitized between uses.
- Water fountains will not be used. Students may bring water from home or use the water bottle filler stations.
- Healthy hygiene practices will be taught to all students and staff and will be implemented during all school activities.
- When possible, students and staff will practice social distancing of 3 feet or more. When this is not possible, students and staff will observe social distancing to the greatest degree possible.
- Seating charts will be required in all indoor areas and buses.
- Please view the LCS COVID-19 Operations Plan for mask and quarantine guidelines.
 - In accordance with Kentucky Public Health guidelines, masks are required while riding school buses.
 - Masks may be removed when eating, drinking, and actively engaged in exercise.



- If families are unable to provide protective masks for their children, masks will be available at our schools.
- During summer 2021, all LCS buildings were equipped with CPS devices to improve air quality. Needlepoint bipolar ionization is used in the school's HVAC units to kill viruses, bacteria and mold.
- Per Board Policy (09.213), any known or suspected causes of communicable diseases (COVID-19) must be reported immediately to the health department and to the school's principal or designee.
- Our district will follow guidance from the CDC, Kentucky Public Health and the Kentucky Department of Education, as well as communicate with the local health department.
- Vaccination clinics may be offered if needed.
- Through our partnership with the Medical Center, nurses will be available at each school. COVID testing will be available after consultation with the district nurse practitioner.
- Dependent upon community transmission rates, visitors may be limited at schools.
- While we recommend that all students and staff be vaccinated, we understand and respect that this is an individual choice. However, it is important to note that students/staff who are vaccinated do not have to quarantine unless they become symptomatic.
- We encourage parents to screen their children for fever and symptoms. Staff members are asked to self-screen. Students and staff should stay home if they have a fever (100.4 degrees F or higher) and/or COVID-19 symptoms including:
 - Fever or feeling feverish (e.g. chills, sweating)
 - New cough
 - Difficulty Breathing
 - Sore throat
 - Muscle aches or body aches
 - Vomiting or diarrhea
 - New loss of taste or smell
- Students who exhibit one or more symptoms at school will be quarantined in an isolation room until picked up by a parent/guardian. Unvaccinated staff members who exhibit one or more symptoms will be sent home immediately.
- Please review quarantine requirements on the last page of this document. Students should contact their school and teacher(s) about making up missing work from quarantine.

Virtual Learning

- Families may choose virtual learning in lieu of in-person instruction.
- Families must have adequate internet access and actively participate in all requirements of the virtual learning academy.



- Student enrollment will be transferred from the traditional school to the virtual school.
- By registering for the virtual academy, students are committing to remain virtual for the entire grading period.
- Students need to register for the virtual academy on the district website by July 31.
- Students with IEPs will receive special education services outlined in their IEPs to the greatest extent possible.
- Instruction will be delivered by certified teachers who are available for in-person support as needed.
- Curriculum will be a blend of online learning platforms and teacher-created instruction. Project-based learning will be implemented. Curriculum will include all required Kentucky Academic Standards
- Students in grades K - 5 must be available to participate in school work from the hours of 7:45 am - 2:50 pm on Mondays - Thursdays and 7:45 am - 1:00 pm on Fridays. (The KY Department of Education requires that the schedule for virtual elementary students align with the in-person schedule.) They must be available to check-in with a teacher at least twice per day via video conferencing or other means of communication.
- Adult monitoring and support is crucial for success in virtual learning.
- Participation in an initial meeting with staff is required, as well as agreement to a virtual learning contract.
- To continue with virtual learning, students must have regular attendance as measured by daily check-ins and acceptable academic progress. If a student is unsuccessful in the virtual academy, he or she will be transferred back to in-person learning at the end of the grading period.
- Students who choose virtual learning will not be eligible for participation in extracurricular activities or athletics.



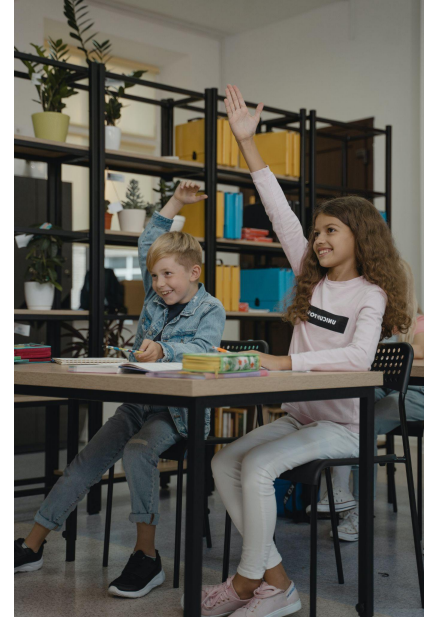
Temporary Virtual Learning

- Should transmission rates within our county rise to a level where state and local health officials recommend school closure, temporary virtual learning may be implemented for all students.
- Staff will utilize platforms such as Summit Learning and Google Classroom to provide instruction and communicate with students. This type of learning may also be utilized in the case of inclement weather.

Mental Health Matters

Please know your child's well-being and mental health are very important to us.

- We will use innovative strategies to ensure positive relationships, student engagement, and academic growth for each student of Logan County.
- We will continue to create school cultures that are friendly, welcoming, helpful, non-judgmental and caring.
- We will provide personalized supports to students who may be struggling with the transition back to school.
- We will continue to provide mental health resources and training to staff.
- We will collaborate with community partners to provide mental health services in all schools.



We Appreciate Our Families

We know that this school year will continue to bring unique challenges, but our focus remains on providing the best education to our students. Thank you for your partnership in this process.

For more detailed information, please reference [KDE's COVID-19 webpage](#).

****Should community transmission rates rise and/or specific guidance from government or health officials be received, changes may be made to the procedures listed in this plan. These changes will be communicated to families in advance.***

Thank You!