



# New Hope Elementary

## Frequently Asked Questions

**Will transportation be provided for bus riders?**

- Yes, transportation will be provided.
- Restrictions related to COVID-19 have decreased the number of students allowed on our bus.
- Cleaning precautions will be taken before and after students ride.
- Temperatures will be taken before entering the bus.
- Students will be assigned seats.
- Loading will take place from the back to the front.
- Off loading will take place from the front to the back.

**What is the daily schedule?**

- Kinders: 8:15 AM – 1:05 PM daily
- 1<sup>st</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup>: 8:15 AM – 2:30 PM Full Days
- 1<sup>st</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup>: 8:15 AM – 1:05 PM Mini Days

With the return to in-person instruction a new calendar will be going to the School Board on April 13.

**When will breakfast be served?**

Breakfast will not be provided each morning. Instead, breakfast will be provided to all students when they leave campus each day, to enjoy the following day at home.

**If my child is on distance learning can they still receive a lunch/breakfast?**

Lunch service will be available on a drive thru basis at our cafeteria. The gate will be open from 11:00 AM – 12:30 PM.

Delivery will be available to bus riders only.

<p><b>I do not want my child returning to in-person instruction. What are my options?</b></p>	<p>No family will be forced to return to in-person learning for the 2020-2021 school year. Your child may remain on distance learning if you filled out a contract by March 5, 2021.</p>
<p><b>If I opt for distance learning and later decide that I want my child to return to in-person instruction, can we transition back onto campus?</b></p>	<p>Yes.</p>
<p><b>If I opted for in-person instruction and I want to change to distance learning can I do that?</b></p>	<p>Your child will not have the option of bouncing back and forth between in-person and distance learning. If you did not complete a form committing to distance learning, your child is expected to be on campus. If your circumstances have changed and they prevent your child from being on campus, please contact the office.</p>
<p><b>Will the After School Program be available?</b></p>	<p>The After School Program will continue to be available through Zoom. Student's may still sign up at this time. Please contact Mrs. Gallo for more information: <a href="mailto:rgallo@nhesd.net">rgallo@nhesd.net</a> .</p>
<p><b>What safety protocols will be in place?</b></p>	<p>With guidance from the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) and San Joaquin County Department of Public Health the District has created a COVID-19 Safety Plan (CSP) for in-person instruction that can be found on our website: <a href="http://www.nhesd.net">www.nhesd.net</a></p>
<p><b>Will visitors be allowed on campus?</b></p>	<p>Visitors and guest will be kept to a minimum. Only those essential to the running of the school will be allowed access in order to minimize risks of exposure. Any individual coming on to a school campus must adhere to all San Joaquin County Department of Public Health guidelines which include social distancing, facial coverings and additional indoor requirements mandated by the County.</p>
<p><b>Why are facial coverings required?</b></p>	<p><b>The District is adhering to the CDPH and SCPH public face covering requirement that all staff/students must wear a face covering:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Under two years old – No</li> <li>● Students PreK - 2nd grade - Yes (a face shield is an acceptable alternative)</li> <li>● Students 3rd grade - High School – Yes</li> <li>● Staff: Yes; In limited situations where a face covering cannot be used for pedagogical or developmental reasons, (e.g. communicating or assisting young children or those with special needs) a face shield with a drape can be used instead of a cloth face covering while in the classroom as long as the wearer maintains physical distance from others, to the extent practicable". Staff must return to wearing face covering outside the classroom.</li> </ul>

	<p><b>Exemptions to face coverings</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students with certain documented medical conditions, mental health conditions, or disability that prevents them from wearing a face covering. (A face shield may be used in lieu of face masks)</li> <li>• Students who are hearing impaired or communicating with a person who is hearing impaired</li> </ul> <p>While eating/drinking, if physical distancing is maintained</p>
<p><b>What type of facial coverings are acceptable for students to wear to school?</b></p>	<p><b>Acceptable forms of facial coverings include:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cloth facial coverings</li> <li>• Disposable surgical masks</li> <li>• Facial shields for students, PreK-2nd grade</li> </ul> <p><b>Facial coverings <b>NOT</b> acceptable on campus include:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bandanas</li> <li>• Masks with exhalation valves or vents</li> <li>• For 3rd grade on up- Facial shields <b>without</b> a drape included</li> </ul> <p>Please note that facial coverings must cover the mouth and nose.</p>
<p><b>What if I notice my child is having anxiety or feelings that they cannot explain?</b></p>	<p>Each week, we will have a therapist and a school based counselor on site if you would like your child to talk to someone. Referrals can be made through your child's teacher or by calling the office for more information.</p>