



2020-21 School Year Plan

After a month of research, input from our parents and students, and consideration for our community's needs, we have made the decision for a traditional return to school.

WHAT WILL A TRADITIONAL RETURN TO SCHOOL LOOK LIKE?

- Masks will be provided by the school district. Wearing masks will be encouraged at all times by students and staff members when social distancing can be achieved. However, masks must be worn while arriving, leaving, and during all transition times. The MS Department of Health and the CDC agree that masks are the key to our ability to keep schools open.
- Transportation will be provided, but social distancing will be harder on buses. For this reason, we encourage you to use private transportation if possible. Masks will be required on the bus.
- Parents will be asked to monitor students' temperature and keep them at home if temperature is above 100.4 or if the child has been exposed to or is symptomatic of COVID-19. Parents should contact the school if a child tests positive for COVID-19.
- Students' temperatures will be taken upon arrival at school. Students with temperatures above 100.4 will be sent home for 72 hours.
- Assemblies and public access to classrooms will be restricted.
- School activities are currently scheduled to proceed. As the Mississippi High School Activities Association finalizes plans for fall sports, we will share those plans with you.
- Distance learning will be available for those that are not comfortable with our traditional return. Students that choose distance learning will be required to commit for one semester. The distance learning route will include scheduled online class times requiring attendance, real-time participation, real-time assignments, and proctored assessments. Please contact your school no later than July 17th to participate in distance learning.

This plan is subject to change based on many factors. Due to a possible increase in cases or outbreak of COVID-19, the district may deem it necessary to move to an A/B schedule to decrease the number of students in the building or move to distance learning for all. Our school leadership teams are working to craft individual plans for each campus, and we will continue to share these details with you. This will only work with your cooperation. Alcorn County is an amazing community, and we appreciate your partnership during this extraordinary time.