

To Our GCS Family:

Thank you to the nearly 1,800 parents and guardians who provided input and comments on our Family Feedback Survey.

Your responses, continued summer planning, and the “Healthy at Schools” requirements from the KY Department of Education and KY Department for Public Health have shaped our initial reopening plan. You can find details on our graysoncountyschools.com website. Just click the Relaunch 2020 button

We will amend our 2020 - 21 school year calendar, moving the first day for students to Monday, August 10. We will offer both a traditional, in-person school experience, along with a focused virtual alternative.

During the first three weeks, we will follow a temporary A/B schedule, with students alternating days in the building and working remotely, Monday - Thursday. Your child’s teacher will provide lessons for the days they are not in the building. We will use Fridays as a day for remote learning for all students. At this time, we plan to transition to a regular schedule on Friday, August 28, with the following week on a full five-day schedule for all students, whether they attend in the building or remotely.

This recommendation is for several reasons including:

- It provides additional training and preparation time for staff to get familiar and comfortable with new procedures and protocols.
- A phased-in opening is similar to how businesses have opened over the past couple of months, allowing time for adjustments before moving forward with increased student capacity.
- It eases students into new required protocols and expectations such as temperature checks, frequent hand hygiene, social distancing, and acclimates them to mask wearing in situations where social distancing can’t be practiced.
- It provides a preparedness model in the event of intermittent closures during the school year.
- It allows for continued changes - loosening or tightening - to KDE/DPH guidance between now and August.

Your school will be reaching out to you to confirm your plans for this school year, as we prepare to welcome back you and your student(s) - whether in-person or virtually.

Please understand that this will be a year of constant and frequent change. Our students - your children - may well be the most resilient, flexible and adaptable of us all. Encourage them on every step of this new "adventure" that we're all on together. Help them find the creative and the positive in the midst of the new and the different. Let them help you do the same.

Stay connected with us through our website and on social media as we continue to plan and provide updates over the next five weeks and beyond.

We appreciate your patience, flexibility and support as we work to ensure the education, health and safety of our students, staff, and community.

#WeAreGCconnected




Doug Robinson
Superintendent

Temporary A/B Alternating Schedule, August 10 - 27

August 2020				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
10	11	12	13	14
A- In Person B- Remote/NTI	B- In Person A- Remote/NTI	A- In Person B- Remote/NTI	B- In Person A- Remote/NTI	All Remote-/ No Students Report to School
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
17	18	19	20	21
A- In Person B- Remote/NTI	B- In Person A- Remote/NTI	A- In Person B- Remote/NTI	B- In Person A- Remote/NTI	All Remote- No Students Report to School
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
22	23	24	25	26
A- In Person	A- Remote/NTI	A- In Person B- Remote/NTI	A- Remote/NTI	All Students Report to School

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A list of current **Frequently Asked Questions** is available on our website's **Relaunch 2020** page. The list will be updated frequently between now and August 10, and maintained during the course of the school year.