



THE METROPOLITAN SCHOOL DISTRICT OF

WARREN TOWNSHIP

MSD of Warren Township S.A.F.E. Reopening F.A.Q

What is the timeframe in which families should expect a response to an emailed request for virtual enrollment? We have not received any acknowledgment of receipt of our emailed request.

- Families can expect to receive a response within 1-2 business days of calling or emailing the registration hotline. Families who completed the online form can expect to receive a response within the same time period.

How/When will students and families be informed of courses not available as a virtual option and/or those with unique requirements? Given the tight scope and sequence required for many of these programs and courses, what plans are being discussed to ensure that student opportunities for certification/ diploma options remain realistic options for students?

- Families will be contacted by their student's school counselor to individually review their child's course schedule. If a student was enrolled in a class that is not available online, their counselor will work with them to find an appropriate alternative or provide an in-person option to ensure that certification and pathway requirements can still be achieved. Families can expect to be contacted within two weeks of virtual registration.

Another part of the communication stated, "WCHS's course catalogue is large and there may be limitations to some specialized courses. Courses may be offered on a limited basis and some will be made available through other Indiana licensed teachers." Regarding the latter, does this imply that students may be receiving instruction through other platforms such as Indiana Online Academy?

- Every high school student's schedule is unique. In order to meet the needs of all students, students may be assigned courses to take through an Indiana Licensed Teacher at Indiana Online Academy.

What will be the structure of virtual classes (Ex: will classes be recorded live or will virtual staff be dedicated to students enrolled in virtual instruction? Will office hours be available?) Will classes be synchronous or asynchronous?

- Students in grades K-8, Warren Township teaching staff will be dedicated to students who are selecting the full-time virtual option. Classes will be a combination of synchronous and asynchronous (combination of in-person and off-line/independent

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learning) environments. Students will receive a schedule with their teachers and classes. CORE Connect Home Bases will also be assigned to students to build community. Teachers will design scheduled times for small group instruction and one on one instruction. Teachers will also communicate a common time that students can reach their teachers for support during the school day by phone or email. In grades 9-12, Warren Township teaching staff will be dedicated to students who are selecting the full-time virtual option, with opportunities to access Indiana Online Academy to meet unique scheduling needs. Warren Central students will remain part of their grade-level cohorts and have access to their counselors. Courses scheduled will be a combination of synchronous and asynchronous. Once students are enrolled in their courses, teachers will communicate their syllabus with contact information and times of availability. We are currently staffing virtual teaching positions and building schedules for families who have expressed interest. Information will be shared with all virtual families about on-boarding and Welcoming Events after we solidify enrollment and schedule students.

How will the rigor and efficacy of online instruction and assignments be assessed?

- In most cases, virtual classes will provide the same common assessments for our students to measure learning outcomes. The instruction provided to our students is aligned with Indiana State standards and supported by our district foundational curricula.

High-quality online courses are no less effective than traditional classes when it comes to student learning outcomes.

In the event that District specific/Statewide testing be required, how will virtual students be expected to participate?

- If state mandated testing is required (which it currently remains a requirement at this time), a test administration schedule will be developed that will provide dates and times virtual students will come into school to take their state mandated assessment.

Will there still be a full eLearning Option for 6-12?

- Yes. There is a full virtual learning option (5 days a week) for students in grades 6-12.

Flex and teachers, will the teachers be the same for eLearning and classroom days?

- Our alternative day instructional model will consist of a “direct instruction” day (in-person) and an “application day” (online). Students will receive their instruction (in-person) and

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be assigned additional application activities to complete at home (online) through Canvas the following day. There will not be synchronous instruction on online instructional days.

If a parent can not be home for a flex day, due to work, especially for a 6th grader, what are the options?

- We are working with the YMCA to promote both before, after, and during school care for students. We will communicate these details as they become available.

Seniors, How will seniors handle classes that include out of the building learning (nursing clinicals)?

- Currently senior students will continue to leave the building for additional learning opportunities (including, but not limited to, nursing clinicals, early childhood, education professions, & various work based learning opportunities)

Lunch for Flex days at home. Will the state provide monies to the P card everyone received in the summer to assist with lunch?

- The state has not communicated any additional information to us about the EBT cards. However, students in grades 6th-12th grade will be provided breakfast and lunch at the end of each in-person learning day to consume the following day at home.

How will book rental be adjusted if half of the school year is eLearning?

- Textbook rental fees are specifically assigned to each course a student takes. Since both in-person and virtual learning utilize the same curriculum those fees will remain the same.