

## **NCOE Return To School FAQ**

### **Will school be 5 days a week?**

Yes. In-person instruction will be five days a week. School will be dismissed at 2 p.m. Those who are participating through Remote Learning will be required to participate 5 days a week as well. The first day of student attendance will be Thursday, August 20.

### **Will students wear masks to school?**

Yes. Following the IDPH guidelines all students will be required to wear a cloth mask to school when around others. However, if students are outside or eating, masks may be removed. Students will also have frequent breaks to remove masks.

### **Will the school provide masks to students?**

Yes. Each student will be provided a cloth mask by the school. Students may wear their own masks to school, which should be in accordance with dress code. Masks should also be cleaned frequently for good hygiene.

### **Will students dress for P.E.?**

No. Students will not dress for P.E. Therefore, P.E. clothes do not need to be brought to school at this time; however, shoes for P.E. are needed.

### **Will students be able to ride the bus to school?**

Yes. Transportation is still provided. However, if it is possible to transport your child to and from school this will help with spacing on buses.

### **Will students be temperature checked each day?**

Yes. However, we ask that if your child is sick or not feeling well that you keep your child at home until they are symptom free for 72 hours. See symptom sheet found attached to the NCOE Return to School document, sign and return to school.

### **Will my child receive a device for Remote Learning?**

Yes. If you do not have your own device the school will provide your child with a device. Every student, both in-person and remote learners, will be provided a chromebook if needed. If you choose to use a school issued device, we ask that you sign and return the device waiver form to the school.

### **Will Remote Learning be for a grade or Pass/Incomplete?**

Remote Learning will mirror classroom in-person instruction and be graded just like a student who is receiving in-person instruction. Teachers will be available from 2:10 p.m. until 3:10 p.m. for any questions the student or parent may have.

**What time can I bring my child to school?**

Students may enter buildings starting at 7:40 a.m. Students will go immediately to their classrooms unless eating breakfast. If they eat breakfast, they will go immediately to the cafeteria.

**What time does school dismiss each day?**

School will be dismissed at 2 p.m. each day for in-person students.

**What happens if a student or staff person tests positive for COVID-19?**

If a student tests positive for COVID the school will immediately contact the local health department. Any student that has been within 6 feet for more than 15 minutes of the positive person may be required to self-quarantine. Parents will be notified if this does happen.

**If my child chooses to Remote Learn will the internet be required?**

Yes. Remote Learning will be through the Google Classroom platform and several online resources will be used. The school parking lots will now have open Wi-Fi. We are also working on locations in Springerton and Omaha. Students can work on some Remote Learning material without the internet. However, any upload or download of new materials will require internet access.

**If my child chooses Remote Learning can they still participate in extracurricular activities?**

Yes. According to the new ISBE guidelines a student who is Remote Learning should have the opportunity for extracurricular activities.

**Can parents come into the school buildings?**

Yes. However, we are encouraging parents and others to limit coming into the buildings as much as possible in order to keep the buildings as clean and sanitary as possible. If possible, we will meet a parent or guest outside of the building. Masks will be required for anyone entering a school building.

**Are food or drinks for birthday celebrations allowed?**

Unfortunately, at this time we are not allowing food and drinks into the buildings unless it is a student's lunch.

If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact your child's school!