



Question and Answer Addendum to the Back-to-School Plan

1. **When does school start?**
 - Thursday, August 20th
2. **What are the start and end times?**
 - Brownsville - regular schedule
 - Lincoln - 8:30am to 2:40pm
 - Jefferson - 8:15am to 2:50pm
 - Washington - 4th & 5th Grade - 8:20am to 3:00pm, 6th Grade 8:15 to 2:25pm
 - Junior High- 8:05am to 2:25pm
 - High School- 8:10am to 2:30pm
3. **What options does a student have once enrolled in C-WC?**
 - In-Person Learning or Remote Learning
4. **Will transportation be provided?**
 - Yes, for students who are “bus eligible” transportation will be provided.
 - If possible, C-WC CUSD #5 is encouraging parents to transport their children.
5. **What if I need to change my student’s mode of learning (in-person versus remote)?**
 - Although we initially stated that there would be a two week time frame for students to make changes, because of the sensitivity of this school year, we will be flexible.
 - It is imperative for parents/guardians to communicate with their building administrator as needed.
6. **What does my student’s school day look like during face-to-face instruction?**
 - A traditional C-WC school day will be provided with the implementation of the following IDPH guidelines.
 - Require use of appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE), including face masks;
 - Prohibit more than 50 individuals from gathering in one space;
 - Require social distancing be observed, as much as possible; They will be facing the same direction in the classroom.
 - Require that schools conduct symptom screenings and temperature checks or require that individuals self-certify that they are free of symptoms before entering school buildings; and
 - Require an increase in school-wide cleaning and disinfection.
 - Students will have frequently scheduled movement breaks throughout the day in order to remove their masks under social distancing guidelines.
7. **What measures has the district taken to keep our students safe?**
 - The district will be hiring additional staff members including a nurse, nurse aides, and part-time staff to assist with temperature checks, social distancing, and cleaning.
 - Water bottle filling stations in each building to replace water fountains.
 - Non-touch thermometers have been purchased for temperature checks.
 - Non-touch soap dispensers and hand sanitizer stations will be installed in each building.

8. What measures are classroom teachers taking to keep our students safe?

- All teachers and support staff will wear face coverings
- Increased restroom/hand washing breaks
- Assigned seating
- All students will face the same direction
- Students will be allowed a water bottle in the classroom to replace water fountains.

9. What measures are custodians taking to keep our students safe?

- A hydrostatic disinfectant sprayer has been purchased for every building. Custodians will be disinfecting classrooms daily and CDC approved disinfectant as well as extra precautionary cleaning on all items students have contact with.
- High Touch areas will be cleaned on a frequent basis.

10. What measures are bus drivers taking to keep our students safe?

- Bus Drivers, bus aides, and students will be required to wear masks due to close proximity.
- Assigned seating
- When possible, students from the same household will be required to sit together.
- All school buses will be sanitized daily using hydrostatic sprayer and CDC approved disinfectant.

11. What measures are cooks taking to keep students safe?

- Cooks will wear additional PPE
- Food will be prepared and served by the cooks
- No buffet/salad bars
- Only 50 students in cafeteria at one time
- Socially distanced to the extent possible while eating
- Disposable trays/utensils will be used
- Milk will be served individually by the cooks
- Tables sanitized between groups of students
- Students can bring own lunch

12. Will meals be provided for remote learning students?

- Yes. Parents are required to call their student's school between 7:30am and 9:00am daily to order lunch and breakfast for the following morning.
- If a parent has children in multiple buildings, all lunches may be picked up at one location.
- Lunches must be picked up from the building and will not be delivered.

13. Will the high school still have open campus lunch?

- High school students will have open campus
- Due to the limit of 50 students in the cafeteria, a grab and go option will be available

14. What measures should students take to keep themselves safe?

- Proper wear a mask (C-WC will supply students with one Carmi-White County Bulldog mask)
- Masks should be washed each evening to wear the next day.
- There will be a limited supply of disposable masks for emergencies.
- Parents/guardians are encouraged to have additional masks for your student.

15. What face coverings are acceptable?

- All face coverings are acceptable as long as they cover the nose, mouth, and have sides.

- This includes masks and gaiters and must follow district dress code policy.

16. What if my student cannot wear a mask?

- You must have your physician complete a medical exemption due to a health condition
- If you have a medical exemption, you will need to provide your student with a face shield as an alternative, and your student will be required to wear that face shield. In this scenario, additional social distancing measures may be taken since shields are not as effective as masks in preventing the spread of COVID-19.
- You have the option to keep your student at home and participate in remote learning.

17. What if my student has a mask at school but refuses to wear it or wear it properly, covering the nose and mouth?

- All people in the school building must wear a mask and wear it properly.
- Students will be directed to wear the mask properly and be given the opportunity to comply.
- If a student repeatedly refuses to wear a mask or not wear a mask properly, the school may determine that the student can only participate in school through remote learning.

18. How will the district certify that students are symptom free? (See Appendix 1)

- Each student's temperature will be checked upon arrival to school and/or the bus stop.
- If a student is symptomatic, his/her temperature will be taken.
- School nurses will be available to all students, if needed.

19. What will happen if my student has a temperature of 100.4 degrees or higher or exhibit COVID-19 symptoms? (See Appendix 1)

- We will isolate the student and contact parents/guardians for pick up
- Students must be temperature free for 24 hours prior to returning to school (if no other COVID symptoms)
- Student may be required to stay home for up to 10 days if other COVID symptoms exist

20. What happens if a student/staff member in the school is diagnosed with COVID-19? (See Appendix 1)

- The school will inform families if a student or staff member is diagnosed with COVID-19 maintaining confidentiality.
- The health department will notify all parents of students who have to be quarantined.
- We cannot reveal the name of the person diagnosed with COVID-19.
- If your student has had "close contact" with the infected person (within six feet for more than 15 minutes), your student will be required to stay home for up to 14 calendar days. During this time, your student should participate in Remote Learning
- Close contact means your student was within six feet for more than 15 minutes with the individual who tested positive for COVID-19 or is suspected of having COVID-19.
- As cases are confirmed by the health department, the district will post this information on the school's website (# of confirmed cases by building, only)

21. Will remote learning work be graded?

- Unlike this past spring, remote learning assignments will be graded.

22. Will the district provide a device for my student to do remote learning?

- All district students will be issued a Chromebook.

23. How do I pick up a device for my student?

- Each building will communicate when and how Chromebooks are to be picked up

24. Will extra-curricular activities be provided?

- All district students will receive equitable access to extracurricular activities.

- The IHSA currently has a proposal to adjust the sports season calendar and individual sport guidelines to allow for the safe participation of student athletes. This plan is currently waiting for ISBE/IDPH approval.
- District will provide transportation following safety guidelines and parents may transport their students in coordination with their respective coaches.

25. How will special education students receive their educational services?

- Special education students who participate in face-to-face learning will follow their individualized educational program.
- Special education students who participate in remote learning will follow an individualized remote learning plan
- All IEP teams will continue to complete individualized educational programs and re-evaluations according to federal requirements.

26. When should students be kept at home?

- Parents are urged to keep their student home if they exhibit any COVID-19 symptoms.
- Your student attending school could cause other students to be exposed and removed from school.
- School districts have removed attendance policies and attendance incentives to encourage students to stay home when exhibiting symptoms to allow the school to continue without further exposure to other students and staff.

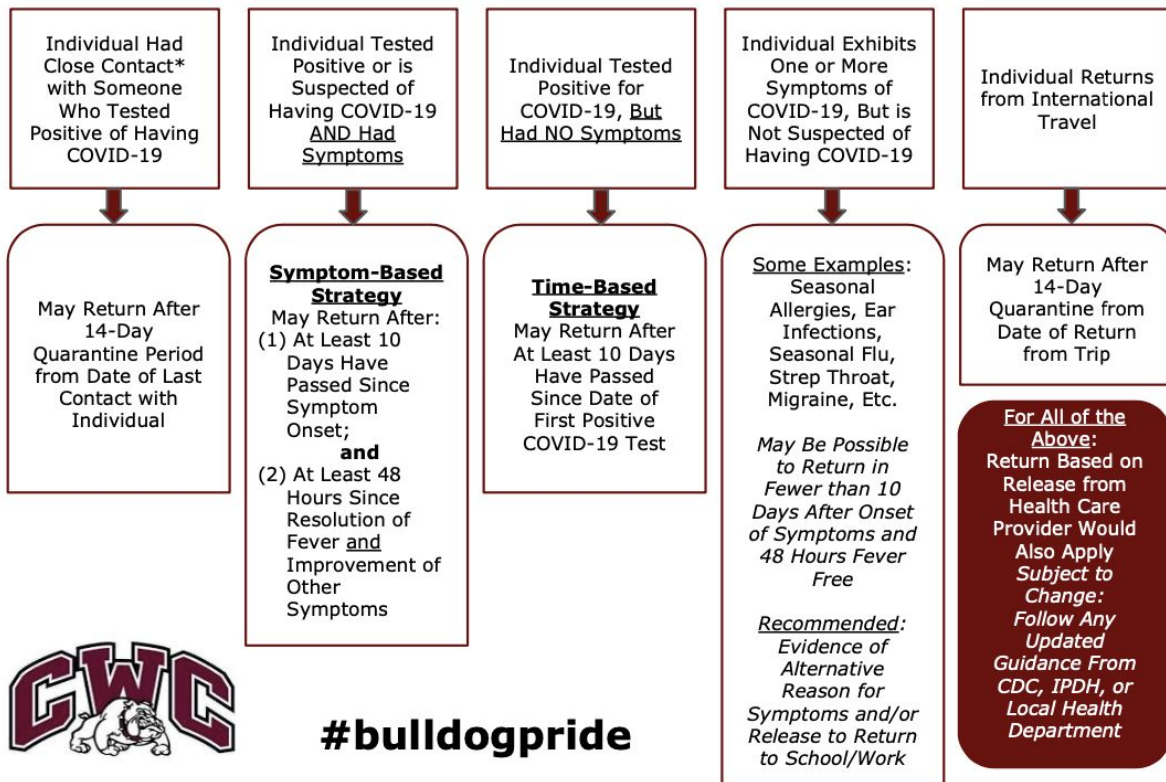
27. Will we still have Back-to-School Night?

- Yes. Each building will handle Back-to-School Nights differently.
- Building specific questions will be addressed then.

28. What are the considerations for school closure?

- Recommendations for school closure will be based off the data and through consultation between the C-WC #5 Administration and the Egyptian Health Department.
- Individual schools, grade levels, classes, wings, floors, and/or the C-WC #5 District could be closed in response to school-based cases of COVID-19 due to significant absenteeism of students and/or staff. If this were to happen, those affected would receive instruction remotely and follow the District's Remote Learning Plan. The length of the closure would be determined on decontamination procedures, contact tracing, or other mitigation strategies. Closures could range from short to medium length (i.e. 1-2 weeks) or as part of a larger strategy with substantial community spread requiring medium to long length (i.e. 4-8 weeks or more of closure). Each of our buildings are unique, and the decision to close and for how long is dependent on a number of factors and available information. **We are currently waiting on additional guidance from the IDPH and ISBE concerning school closure.**
- We understand the importance of face-to-face instruction but the health and well-being of our students and staff is of utmost importance.

RETURN TO SCHOOL/WORK FLOWCHART FOLLOWING A COVID-19 RELATED ABSENCE



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