



Manchester Community Schools

2020-2021 Return to School- Connected Learning Plan

FINAL CHOICE SURVEY COMING- SURVEY DEADLINE 8/11/20

Parents will be given two options for their students' return to school.

Students/Parents will declare which option they choose and be required to commit to that option for the first 9 weeks of school (our first quarter of school). At that time, if Washtenaw County is still identified as a Phase 4, 5, or 6 area, they will be given the opportunity to switch to another option if they so choose.

To ensure a successful beginning of the 2020-2021 school year for all of our students (In-Person or Remote Learning), we will use the week of August 31st through September 4th for Orientation, Small Scheduled Class Meetings, Securing of all Technology Needs, and All Access Logistics.

The first day of instruction for both In-Person and Remote Learning will be: Tuesday, September 8th, 2020

Option #1

In-Person Instruction



Daily Schedule:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: In-person Instruction

Manchester Jr./ Sr. High School: 8:00 a.m. – 2:45 p.m.

Riverside Intermediate: 8:07 a.m. – 2:52 p.m.

Klager Elementary School: 8:10 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Wednesday: MCS Web Experience for both In-Person and Remote Learning Students (Virtual Instruction)

- Recorded, direct Instruction will be offered asynchronously using the Google Classroom learning management system on these Wednesday mornings.
- Buildings will be closed for cleaning/sterilization. All In-Person students will be engaged from home with Virtual Instruction on these days. As virus conditions improve, we will move to a five day per week, in-person model, with no Virtual Wednesdays.

Option #2

Remote Learning / MCS Web Experience



Klager Elementary— Students given instruction from Manchester's experienced teaching staff. The courses will be designed to continue with our district's high academic standards and instructional methods to have a positive educational impact for our students using our Google Classroom platform as our district-wide Learning Management System. Both synchronous (live and direct instruction from our teachers) and asynchronous (recorded instruction from our teachers) will be features of the MCS Web Experience.

Riverside Intermediate / Manchester Jr./Sr. High School—Students will be utilizing a developed virtual instructional program and be monitored by the Manchester teaching staff using our Google Classroom platforms as our district-wide Learning Management System. Both synchronous (live and direct instruction from our teachers) and asynchronous (recorded instruction from our teachers) will be features of the MCS Web Experience. The coursework offered will provide students with content that will be required for the students to advance to the next grade level, and grades and student and staff grading and expectations will be in place.

Attendance and participation will be required.

This remote learning opportunity will be implemented to meet the needs of our students and families who believe this will be the best learning strategy for instruction during these challenging times.



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Facial Coverings



The district will provide all initial facial coverings for staff and students.

- Facial coverings must always be worn by staff except for meals.
- Facial coverings must always be worn in hallways and common areas by PreK-12 students in the building except for during meals.
- Facial coverings must be worn in classrooms by all students grades 6-12.
- All students in grades K-5 must wear facial coverings unless students remain with their classes throughout the school day and do not come into close contact with students in another class.

For all of the above requirements:

- Any staff member or student who cannot medically tolerate a facial covering must not wear one.
- Any staff member or student that is incapacitated or unable to remove the facial covering without assistance must not wear a facial covering.
- PreK-5 and special education teachers should consider wearing clear masks.
- Homemade facial coverings must be washed daily.
- Disposable facial coverings must be disposed of at the end of each day.

Food Service



- Breakfast will be served to Manchester Community Schools students in our school cafeterias with all appropriate floor, table, and distancing signage in place.
- Lunch will be served in all buildings with additional lunch periods added for social distancing.

Transportation



- Facial coverings must be worn by all PreK-12 students, staff, and bus drivers at all times. The use of hand sanitizer will be required upon entering the bus. Hand sanitizer will be supplied on the bus.
- Students will be directed to remain facing forward.
- Cleaning and disinfecting will be done after every bus run.



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Hygiene

- Instruction will be provided and be reinforced on hand washing with soap and water for at least 20 seconds and/or the safe use of hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol.
- Instruction will be provided and be reinforced for staff and students on how to cough and sneeze into their elbows, or to cover with a tissue.
- The district will be providing hand washing and/or hand sanitizing stations to set up throughout school buildings.

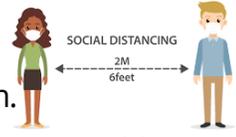


Other Hygiene areas to be reinforced:

- Limit sharing of personal items and supplies such as writing utensils.
- Keep students' personal items separate and in individually labeled cubbies, containers, or lockers.

Other Factors

- As feasible, arrange all desks facing the same direction toward the front of the classroom.
- Teachers should maintain six feet of spacing between themselves and students as much as possible.
- Classroom desks will be cleaned after every class exchange.
- To minimize classroom transitions, in-person instruction students at Manchester Jr./Sr. High School will attend one-half of their classes on Monday and Thursday (Periods 1-4) and the other one-half of their classes on Tuesday and Friday (Periods 5-8). Additional support periods have been added to our day to support the technological and social-emotional needs of our students.



Guests Visitors

- Family members or other guests will not be allowed in the school building except under extenuating circumstances to be determined by district and school administrators.
- Any adult guests allowed to enter the building will be screened for symptoms, wear a facial covering, and wash/sanitize hands prior to entering. Strict records, including date and time, will be kept of non-school employees or other visitors entering and exiting the building.

STOP



NO VISITORS
With Limited Exceptions