

## Reopening School Plan Reminders

**Blended School Model** - Elementary and Secondary Schools will operate in a blended model of in school instruction, remote learning, and virtual instruction. Social distancing will be maintained at 6 feet as much as possible throughout the school day. Social Distancing: What is Six Feet?: <https://youtu.be/OesXL3I6M4s>.

Students will attend school 2 days a week with remote learning 2 days a week and virtual learning on Mondays. Remote learning is student directed learning while virtual learning is teacher directed. Students will attend school following this schedule:

**Group A** (Student's last name beginning with A-K unless assigned to group B by the school)

Attend school on Tuesday and Thursday  
Attend virtually on Monday  
Attend remotely on Wednesday, and Friday

**First Day of School for Group A is Tuesday, September 1st.**  
**Kindergarten students will attend from 10 am - 2 pm**

**Group B** (Student's last name beginning with L-Z unless assigned to group B by the school)

Attend school on Wednesday and Friday  
Attend virtually Monday  
Attend remotely on Tuesday, and Thursday

**First Day of School for Group B is Wednesday, September 2nd**  
**Kindergarten students will attend from 10 am - 2 pm**

### **Monday Student Schedule:**

Elementary students will have an assigned schedule from 9:00 am to 3:30 pm. The schedule will be provided by their teacher and will include breaks.

Secondary students will follow their class schedule on a 2 hour delay schedule. Teachers will be available for students for individual and group support during the two hours prior to the start of the 2 hour delay schedule. Teachers may schedule group help sessions during this time.

**Note:** We will try to accommodate families with more than one child with different last names into the same group.

**Note:** Some Special Education self-contained settings will operate on a different schedule. This will be communicated to those parents involved.

**Note:** Preschools will operate daily Monday through Thursday following the State preschool class size limits. Preschool start dates

## **Safety Precautions and Operational Changes:**

1. All families must perform health checks on students before coming to school each day. If a student has any symptom of any illness, they must stay home. Since the symptoms of COVID include symptoms of common illnesses, students exhibiting any sign of illness will be sent home. Parents/guardians will need to swiftly pick up from school any students found to be exhibiting signs of illness during the school day.
2. All students (K-12) and staff will be required to wear cloth face coverings (face masks). Families must provide cloth face coverings for students that cover the nose and mouth. Face Mask Etiquette: <https://youtu.be/1K9Zs16dhRE>. Face shields are not a substitute for a cloth face mask. A medical exemption will be required for students not able to wear a cloth face covering. Students without a face mask will be retained in the office until they put on a face mask or produce a doctor's note. Disposable face masks will be provided if a face mask breaks during the school day. Students refusing to wear a face mask may receive disciplinary consequences.
3. Hand sanitizer will be provided throughout the building. Handwashing and hand sanitizing will be required regularly throughout the day. Hand Washing: <https://youtu.be/Cw4h-4WEpHg>. Hand Sanitizing: <https://youtu.be/YylsSJxHJdQ>
4. Shared surfaces will be frequently cleaned and sanitized on a daily basis in the buildings and on buses. Students will be asked to assist in wiping down their classroom desktop before they leave the classroom.
5. Students are not permitted to enter the building until 15 minutes before the school day. Student drop off and pick up procedures may be modified to reduce student contact.
6. Visitors and volunteers will be limited to the office areas of buildings only.
7. No hallway lockers will be used at the junior high schools or at Lancaster High School.
8. Drinking fountains will be shut off. Students are encouraged to bring water bottles that may be refilled at school.

## **Transportation**

Transportation will be provided to students who live more than a mile from their school or who have special transportation as part of their IEP services. Students and drivers are required to wear face masks. Bus seats will be cleaned after the morning and afternoon runs and loading procedures will be modified to reduce close contact. However, social distancing of six feet cannot be maintained on school transportation, even in the blended model. Therefore, parents are encouraged to transport their students to school to the greatest extent possible.

## **Quarantine Guidelines:**

Under the Fairfield County Department of Health's current guidelines, any person who has been in close contact with a person who has contracted COVID for 15 minutes or more in the previous 48 hours, has to self quarantine for 14 days. Close contact is defined as a person who was not socially distanced from another person, in other words, within 6 feet of the person. This is regardless of whether the persons were wearing a cloth mask or not. Also, a negative COVID test does not release a person from quarantine who was in contact with a COVID positive person.

In the event that a person who attended school tests positive for COVID, school officials will notify parents of students who need to quarantine. We are not permitted by law to disclose the name of the person who tested positive. Since 6 foot social distancing is maintained in the blended model, it is likely that no students will need to quarantine because of a contact in the school setting.

## **JH/LHS ORIENTATION DATES/FROSHFEST**

### **GENERAL SHERMAN JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL:**

#### **\* Orientation/Schedule Pick-Up (Grades 6-8):**

August 27, 2020 (Last name A-K) 7:15am - 10:30am

August 28, 2020 (Last name L-Z) 7:15am - 10:30am

Buses will run regular routes and pick up bused students

### **THOMAS EWING JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL:**

#### **\* Orientation/Schedule Pick-Up (Grade 6)**

August 27, 2020 (Last name A-K) 7:15am - 10:30am

August 28, 2020 (Last name L-Z) 7:15am - 10:30am

Buses will run regular routes and pick up bused students

#### **\* Schedule Pick-Up (Grades 7-8)**

Thursday, August 27 - 11am - 2:30pm

Thursday, August 27 - 6pm - 7pm

Friday, August 28 - 11am - 2:30pm

### **LANCASTER HIGH SCHOOL**

#### **\* Frosh Fest (9th Grade Orientation)/9TH Grade Schedule Pick-Up**

August 27, 2020 (Last name A-K) 7:15am - 1:35pm

August 28, 2020 (Last name L-Z) 7:15am - 1:35pm

Buses will run regular routes and pick up bused 9th Grade students

#### **\* Schedule Pick-Up Grades 10 – 12 (OUTSIDE THE GAC)**

August 27 and 28, 2020 – 9am – 1pm

\*LHS Schedules will also be available through Progressbook starting August 27<sup>th</sup> at 9am

