

Chattooga County Schools

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Hello Everyone,

I hope everyone is having a great summer and staying healthy and safe. I want to thank all of you who participated in the parent surveys that were sent out over the last few weeks. They have been extremely helpful as we work to develop a plan to help our system return to school.


We currently plan to start the year with everyone coming to school, a traditional path, with teachers reporting July 28th and students on July 30th. If our community is amid a substantial COVID-19 outbreak at the time school begins, we may have to start with a "hybrid" instructional model. However, currently, that is not the situation.

For families who wish to learn from home, we do plan to offer Virtual Learning. For those who indicated on the survey they want to pursue this option, more details will be shared at a parent informational meeting; someone from your child's school will be in touch with you.

Given that we plan to start school with all students returning to class, we will be taking extra precautions such as a no visitor policy. Only individuals with appointments will be allowed into the building and must wear face masks, have a temperature check, and answer screening questions, etc. Our goal is to provide our students with a quality education while keeping healthy and safe.

Thank you for your support of Chattooga County Schools. Please enjoy this time with your family. I look forward to seeing everyone at the end of the month.

Be safe,


Jared Hosmer
Superintendent

Expect Success

Chattooga County School District Pathway to Reopen

Classes will resume on July 30th dependent on the Department of Public Health guidance & data for COVID19

Minimal/Moderate Spread: Traditional or Hybrid Instructional Delivery

Traditional Path	Hybrid Path 1: 4 days a week	Hybrid Path 2: 2 days in class/3 days virtual	Hybrid Path 3: Every other week
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Teachers report July 28-29th for PrePlan days ALL students report July 30th 1st day of school 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Teachers report July 28-29th for PrePlan days ALL students report July 30th 1st day of school & attend Tuesday-Friday with Monday reserved for deep cleaning day. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Teachers report July 28-29th for PrePlan days Students will be divided into two groups (A & B) based on last name/household. Each group will attend every other day for face-to-face instruction with Monday reserved for virtual learning & a deep cleaning day. 50% reduction of students physically present. Group A students first day will be July 30th and the students will attend Tuesday & Thursday with Monday, Wednesday & Friday distance learning days. Group B students first day will be July 31st and the students will attend Wednesday & Friday with Monday, Tuesday & Thursday distance learning days. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Teachers report July 28-29th for PrePlan days Students will be divided into two groups (A & B) based on last name/household. Each group will attend every other week for face-to-face instruction. 50% reduction of students physically present. Group A students first day will be July 30th; distance learning July 31st & begin their first full week of face-to-face instruction August 3rd. Group B students first day will be July 31st; distance learning the week of Aug 3rd & begin their first full week of face-to-face instruction August 10th.
·School hours 8:00am-3:00pm	·School hours 8:00am-3:00pm	·School hours adjusted 8:00am - 2:00pm	·School hours adjusted 8:00am - 2:00pm
Low to No Spread		Substantial Spread	
Teachers report July 28-29th for PrePlan days ALL students report July 30th 1st day of school		Teachers participate in Virtual Professional Development July 28-29th for PrePlan days ALL students begin class July 30th through virtual/distance learning	

Measures the system has in place to ensure a smooth and safe start to the school year

- Increased social distance measures in place during the school day.
- Arrival and Dismissal protocols modified to allow for social distance.
- Increased hand washing.

- Entrance to all buildings limited to the front of the school.
- Face mask (PPEs) optional; not required; recommended where social distance cannot be practiced.
- Attendance protocols based on what is published in the student handbook; allowances for COVID19 with medical notes.
- Buses cleaned daily after each route with face mask for students optional and provided by the school system.
- Lunch plans modified to increase social distance for students and staff. No self-serve lines: students will have one meal option (pre-wrapped) with accommodations for students who have food allergies and special dietary needs.
- Hand sanitation machines installed at the entrance of all schools with additional hand sanitation areas throughout the building.
- Water fountains replaced by refillable stations.
- Recess limited to outdoor play, playground equipment not for use at this time.
- PE classes will be divided into smaller groups to allow for social distance activities.
- Athletics will follow GHSA guidelines.

**** EVERY Path to Reopen/Recovery has a Virtual Learning Option available for students whose parents select home learning. Please complete the survey that was released a few weeks ago to indicate your plan for your child(ren) to return to school. The survey can be found on the district website and each school website. The survey will also ask about internet and device access at home. Virtual learning will require internet access. You will be contacted about an informational meeting to share the curriculum and contractual requirements for virtual learning at home.**