Reopening School Plan "Return to Learn"

Fairfield Township School

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The Planning for Reopening

 In working together, we will continue to be thoughtful and strategic in our efforts to return to school.

• The plan will continue to reflect the community's voice while adhering to required guidelines.

The Planning for Reopening

In terms of when and how we can safely return to school (and enjoy school activities), it depends on the status of the pandemic and the strategies we employ to mitigate the impact of COVID-19.

The Planning for Reopening Our calculated decisions will be informed by the NJDOE "The Road Back" Recovery Plan, NJ Department of Health, and the NJ Governor's Guidelines.

However, the reopening plan will be tailoredmade to the Fairfield community.

Fairfield's Guiding Principles

 Health and Safety: We will continue to make the health and safety of our students, parents, and educators top priorities.

2. Educating Our Students: We will decide how to best educate students to ensure student achievement.

3. Equity of Education: We are committed to ensuring an excellent hybrid learning environment for students.

The Planning Reopening Steps

School Messenger Alerts

 Parent/Staff Surveys
 Virtual Chat & Chew Meetings

 Review guidelines, procedures, policies, statutes and administrative code

 Board Approval

The Planning Reopening Steps

Weekly Meetings
Return to School Committee
Pandemic Response Team
Parent Update Letters
Informational Flyers

Parent Survey Results

 Here's the numerical results: According to survey responses, 48% parents have indicated that their children will be participating in online learning remotely, 52% will participate in hybrid learning.

Staff Survey Results

 Here's the numerical results: According to survey responses, 36% have indicated that they will be working remotely.

The Reopening School Plan

School reopening date: September 8, 2020

•Hybrid Instruction (Cohort A, B, C,)

 Remote Learning (Cohort D) - registration required

The Cohort Schedule

•Cohort A: K-8 students 2 days onsite Mon-Tue.

Cohort B: K-8 students 2 days onsite Wed-Thur

Cohort C: PK, SPED, and ELL students 4 days onsite Mon-Thur (students in these groups are very small).

Cohort D: Students 100% remote learning only.

The Cohort Schedule

•SPED parents may choose the hybrid-2 days or remote learning only option.

ELL parents may choose the hybrid-2 days or remote learning only option.

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•PK parents may choose 4 days onsite or remote learning only option.

The Cohort Schedule

•Siblings in the same household may attend school on the same day for obvious practical reasons.

If you choose the Remote Learning Only Option, then you are locked in for two entire marking periods for obvious logistical reasons.

Reopening Plan Key Components

Masks are required for staff and visitors.

All students are required to wear a mask.
The current school health policy will be adhered to regarding student illness.

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Daily health screenings and temperature checks required for students and staff.
Enhanced and upgraded cleaning protocols will be used throughout the day.

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•<u>COVID-19</u> protocols based on the NJDOE, Department of Health, and Governor's Guidelines.

• The reopening plan is subject to change at any moment per new NJDOE and Governor directives.

 Staff and students will wear masks throughout the school day, especially when unable to maintain social distancing.

 It is suggested that younger students practice wearing <u>masks for extended periods now.</u>

 Staff and students will be asked to wash their hands frequently.

 Security, safety, health, and cleanliness will remain top priorities.

 Staff and students will maintain a safe social distance.

Students will be reminded to keep hands to themselves.

 Bell Schedule—Reduction of hallway traffic with possible modifications to class times for passing and traveling in hallway purposes.

Lockers/Passes/Classes—Will be assigned to maximize instructional time while allowing for the different safety measures to be taken.

 Arrival and Dismissal Times- Each grade level will enter and exit through different doors to reduce the size of each group and support the staggered arrival & dismissal time periods, and overall entrance/exit points.

Recess: Outside whenever possible.
 Designated areas for each class. Social distancing is promoted.

 Communication: There will be weekly communication through school messenger alert, class dojo, and school website.

 Events: There will be virtual events (back-toschool night and parent/teacher conferences).

•Guest and Visitors: All guest and visitors will be required to wear a mask in order to enter the building.



 Parents will be required to provide cloth face masks for their children.

 The mask must cover the mouth and nose and fit snugly against the sides of the face.



• There are no certain colors required.

Masks can have patterns or writing.
Nothing offensive or inappropriate for school.

Masks

 Children need to be able to put on their own face masks.

• The masks should be clearly labeled with the student's name.

•Everyone inside the building must wear masks.

Uniforms

 Children must wear school uniform on the days they are onsite.

 Masks are considered part of the uniform and must be worn per school policy.

Uniforms

•Parents are responsible for uniforms.

Parents are responsible for masks.
If social service assistance is needed, please reach out to the school social worker.

Transportation

 Students, aides, drivers must wear masks on the school bus.

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 Riders must observe social distancing guidelines and avoid contact.

• In the student/family unit per seat.

Transportation

 Each bus will be cleaned daily, including touch points between each bus run.

 The consortium is exploring providing hand sanitizer stations at the entry of every bus.

•Best behavior must be displayed at all times.

Transportation

 Students must wear a mask in order to enter the bus per school policy.

 Students must keep their mask on for the entire bus route per school policy.

 Please reach out to our school social worker if you need social assistance support.

Facility

• The same contracted cleaning company.

•Two shifts (day & evening).

•Enhanced and intensive daily cleaning efforts.

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•Upgraded cleaning products to disinfect.

Facility

 Classrooms, bathrooms, and common areas will be cleaned daily throughout the day.

•Classroom with sinks will be provided soap.

 Classrooms without sinks will be provided hand sanitizer.

Meals

Meals will be served in the classrooms and/or cafeteria.

 Seating chart and table arrangements will reflect social distancing.

Surfaces will be cleaned before & after each meal.

Meals

 Students will be asked to wash their hands before and after each meal.

•Grab & Go Meal Options.

•Meal pick-up options for virtual days planned.

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•Meal delivery being explored.

Meals

 Snacks will not be available for purchase during lunch time inside the cafeteria.

Snack services inside the cafeteria will be suspended during COVID-19.

Athletics, Field trips, & SIG Program

•Athletics will be suspended due to COVID-19.

•Field trips will be suspended due to COVID-19.

•SIG after-school program will be suspended due to COVID-19 until further notice.

Social Emotional Learning (SEL)

 SEL opportunities have been integrated into the instructional classroom master schedule.

Morning Meeting Time/Responsive Classroom.
Exploring the Teen Outreach program.
Looking into the Get Real program.

Social Emotional Learning (SEL)

 Communicate with families regarding SEL and wellness activities in school and shared activities families can engage in remotely.

Provide Professional Development for staff.

 Student support services will provide wraparound SEL support.

Social Emotional Learning (SEL)

 Continue to build on new traditions, such as the wave parades, virtual ceremonies, & videos.

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 Enhance our referral process for students, parents, and staff for SEL support.

•Secured a new SEL curriculum.

Within this learning format, we will continue to make sure the following:

• Instruction will be a blended-learning approach (Onsite & Virtual).

• This approach supports our school's reopening plan for all learners.

Within this learning format, we will continue to make sure the following:

Lesson plans will be developed each week.

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Clear goals and objectives will be created.

Within this learning format, we will continue to make sure the following:

Assessments and data will inform instruction.

 Focus will be on mastery of standards, concepts, practice, and critical thinking skills

Within this learning format, we will continue to make sure the following:

Take advantage of smaller class size.

Wrap around academic and social supports will be provided to ensure school success.

Devices:

 Chromebooks - School issued chromebooks will be assigned based on student needs.

 Hotspots - As a County-Wide initiative Fairfield is currently pursuing options for purchasing hotspots for students in need.

Internet Safety:

 All school issued devices will be equipped with Content Filtering Software to Monitor, Manage and Filter Devices.

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School issued devices used for school purposes only per policy.

- Use of Devices:
- All school issued devices should adhere to Fairfield Township District Acceptable Use Policy.

Check-Out/Returning Devices:

 Upon checking out School Issued devices (Chromebooks & Hotspots), parent/guardian will be responsible for device for the designated time period while in their possession.

Checkout/Returning Devices:

Upon Check-out parent/guardians will be provided the following guidelines:
 Guidelines for Care/Use
 Return Agreement
 Fees for Damaged/Broken
 Fees for Non-Returned Devices

Remote Learning Instruction

More Structured
Remote learning schedule
Live instruction
Google hangout and zoom for online
Less Parent Direct Involvement Required

Special Education

- Students with disabilities will report to school four full days a week, Mon.-Thur., (parents may choose the hybrid-2 days or remote learning only option).
- Teachers and staff will adhere to the IEP.
- If students are choosing 100% virtual, their instruction and therapy sessions will be delivered remotely.

YMCA Before & After Care

- The YMCA Program will be offered and follow same health and safety guidelines.
- The morning hours are 6:00am-8:50am.
 The afternoon/evening hours 3:40pm-6:30pm.
 The days of operation are Monday.-Thursday.

Policy & Training

• Policies will support the school reopening plan.

• Existing policies will be revised to reflect COVID-19.

 New policies will be created to reflect NJDOE and Department of Health guidelines as appropriate.

COVID-19 PD Trainings will take place for staff.

Questions



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