

Henderson County Schools Reopening 2020-2021

The goal for our students and staff is to interact in a clean and healthy environment that provides extraordinary educational opportunities for every student. As Henderson County Schools continues to Build Better Graduates HCS+ we will ensure rigorous course work, strong character development, and the development of five world class skills.

Henderson County Schools has developed three options (two long term options and a short term option) for students and families during the time of the global pandemic.

Long Term Options

| Remote Learning | In Person Class |
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| <p>Virtual Learning Academy (VLA) is a voluntary, non traditional online program used to create an alternative for students who may benefit from a more independent, learning experience.</p> <p>~Program: Odysseyware/Edgenuity will be used with grades K-12.</p> | <p>In person classes will begin on August 26th. Students attending a "brick and mortar" setting will be required to follow all the guidelines of "Healthy At School".</p> <p>School hours will be (no change from 2019-2020): Elementary - 7:30 am to 2:30 pm Middle School - 7:55 am to 3:25 pm High School - 8:00 am to 3:25 pm *Doors open at 7:00 am</p> |

Students will work independently in the home setting and will not participate in in-person classes in the Henderson County Schools.

If students need assistance with online lessons, assistance will be given through:

- *Odysseyware/Edgenuity online messaging system

- *By phone call

- *Google Meet by appointment only

- *Email

A Henderson County Schools staff member will be assigned to each VLA student, will make all assignments online, monitor each student's grades, and each student's completion of assignments.

A bi-monthly progress report will be sent to parents/guardians either by email or postal service.

Transportation

- ~Students load from back to front, students exit front to back

- ~Students sit with siblings

- ~Students and drivers wear a mask

- ~Parents attest that student does not have a fever or symptoms of COVID 19 before getting on the bus

- ~Students will have assigned seats (for use of contact tracing)

- ~Hand sanitizer will be available for students/drivers

- ~Disinfection will occur after each bus run

Students and staff will have temperatures checked and health question screening before entering school each day

In School

- ~Social distancing will be expected

- ~When social distancing is not possible, students and staff will need to wear a face covering (cloth or disposable mask, or gaiter)

- ~Desks will be spaced apart and all desks will facing the same direction

- ~When moving through the school, students and staff are masked at all times

A student entering the Virtual Learning Academy must commit to one full school year or one full semester of participation.
August 2020 to May 2021-- Full School Year

August 2020-December2020-- Full Semester

January 2021-May 2021-- Full Semester

~Seating chart maintained by teacher (contract tracing)
~Class changes will be minimized to greatest extent possible and traffic designated through the hallways
~Handwashing procedures taught and practiced on a regular basis, sanitizer available throughout the building

Instruction

~In class, teacher to student
~All subject areas (emphasis on language arts and math)
~Typical homework assignments
~K-12 students will be issued a chromebook
~Interventions will address missing content skills from Spring 2020

Cafeteria

~Students/staff are allowed to use the cafeteria for breakfast/lunch as long as social distancing can be maintained
~Tables/chairs must be sanitized after each group finishes their lunch

Recess

~Encouraged for students to get outside, minimal

amounts of students at a time
~Equipment cleaned as recommended

Emotional Well Being

~Guidance counselors and mental health therapists will support staff and students upon return to school (there has been extended support provided throughout the summer)
~Two sub committees (from logistics/instructional) are preparing detailed plans for our schools 1. mental health concerns and 2. nurses

Visitor Policy

~Visitors will not be allowed during the Fall Semester
~Medical/Counseling professionals will be allowed on a scheduled basis, temp check and health screening conducted to receive a visitor pass
~Must wear a mask at all times

General

~Water Fountains will not be used, bottle filling stations can be used
~No large assemblies or field trips are allowed
~If a school receives a confirmed case they will

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| | <p>work with the local health officials who make contact with anyone who may have been in contact with that person.</p> <p>~Healthy at Work Officers will be responsible for organizing morning checks, contact tracing, and managing the guidelines at each school</p> |
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Short Term Closure Options:

| Options: | Description: |
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| Short Term Closure (1-4 days) | <p>~Non-traditional Instruction (NTI) = instructional style</p> <p>~Students would return work upon returning to school - policy allows up to 3 days</p> <p>~We would not provide meals during a short term closure</p> |
| Mid Term Closure (4-11 days) | <p>~Non-traditional Instruction (NTI) = instructional style</p> <p>~Students would return work upon returning to school - policy allows up to 3 days</p> <p>~We may provide meals during a mid term closure. FRYSC can deliver backpack items to identified families</p> |

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| <p>Long Term Closure (11+ days)</p> | <p>~Non-traditional Instruction (NTI) = instructional style ~Guidelines will be provided by the Instructional Committee in reference to grades and assignments ~We would provide meals using a Grab and Go Model. FRYSC can deliver backpack items to identified families</p> |
| <p>A hybrid schedule has been discussed and the logistics are possible.</p> | <p>A hybrid schedule is when a student attends school 1 or 2 days a week and works at home virtually 2 to 3 days a week.</p> <p>This would be considered in the event that HCS knew the district would need to be closed for more than 11 days. It would allow our teachers and students to have meaningful learning experiences (in person) periodically rather than no interactions at all.</p> |
| <p>→ Closures may occur at any time throughout the 2020-2021 school year and with little to no prior notice. → Closures may be a classroom, bus route, school(s), or district.</p> | |