

**Estill County School District**  
**Fall 2020 Steps to Reopen**  
**Updated September 3, 2020**

**Student Instruction**

For the fall of 2020, families & students will have 3 options for instructional delivery:

1. In-Person Hybrid A/B Model
  - a. This model allows for reduced building capacity and insures social distancing within each classroom. **Based on new guidance from the Department of Public Health, students will have to wear a mask, while in the classroom.**
  - b. Students assigned to an A schedule will attend in-person classes on Mondays & Tuesdays.
  - c. Students assigned to a B schedule will attend in-person classes on Thursdays & Fridays.
  - d. On days that students are not in attendance, they will be working remotely.
  - e. This model will continually be re-evaluated based on current local, state, and CDC guidelines.
2. Remote Learning Online (will require internet access)
  - a. Grades 6-12 will use school-issued Chromebook
  - b. Grades K-5 would require the use of personally owned computer
  - c. Teachers will provide support for these students
3. Remote Learning Paper/Pencil (New changes in providing internet access.)
  - a. **Every effort is being made to provide internet access to these students and families using cellular hotspots.**
  - b. **Schools will try to provide students with a device if they are available.**
  - c. If these cellular hotspots do not work for your family's location, schools will provide packets for these students.
  - d. Teachers will provide support for these students
  - e. **Students and families cannot opt for paper/pencil packets if they have internet capability unless they are required to meet specific educational requirements.**

**Notes:**

- *If families & students choose remote learning, we ask that you commit to a period of 9 weeks before asking to be switched to a different option.*
- *We will make exceptions in certain situations & circumstances.*
- *This is NOT the same as Non-Traditional Instruction (NTI). NTI is defined as instruction for inclement weather days. Examples of NTI Days are snow, high water, etc.*

**Attendance**

- Daily attendance is expected for in-person and remote students.
- Absenteeism will be reviewed on an individual basis.

### **Healthy Minds@School and Home**

- Staff and students will have opportunities to discuss the COVID-19 quarantine. This is not counseling but is time for staff and students to share.
- School mental health best practices will be followed.
- Positive Behavior Instruction & Supports (PBIS) has been updated and will be taught to all staff and students.
- Counseling services are available to all staff and students.
- Universal crisis plans have been developed and the Crisis Team will be meeting before school starts.

### **Healthy@School: PPE and Screening Requirements**

- District will be providing masks to students and keeping disposable masks on hand for visitors or staff/students who don't have a mask upon arrival.
- All staff & students and visitors will receive a temperature check when entering the building. Parents and staff will be expected to do self screenings for symptoms related to COVID-19 before entry to school/bus including checking temperatures.
- All staff, students, and visitors will be required to wear a face mask when entering and moving throughout the building unless they have a medical condition that would meet the waiver requirements.
- New changes by the Department of Public Health now require that students and staff wear a mask at all times while inside the building, except during breakfast and lunch.
- Students will be encouraged to maintain social distancing when moving locations.
- Daily school schedules will be developed to allow student opportunities to go outdoors and remove their mask as long as they maintain social distancing rules.
- Preschool & kindergarten students will NOT be required to wear a facemask at the start of school. If the student's parent wants that student to wear an acceptable mask.
- Based on new guidance from the Department of Public Health, our goal will be that starting November 1, all Preschool and Kindergarten students will wear a facemask during the school day.

### **Sanitization**

- Frequent hand washing will be emphasized and multiple opportunities given throughout the day to wash hands.
- Hand sanitizer stations will be made available throughout the buildings.
- Sanitization measures will include proper hygiene and frequent cleaning and disinfection of all surfaces in buildings & school buses.

**Transportation:**

Students that attend in-person classes will have the following options for transportation:

1. Bus Riders
  - a. All buses have bus monitors who will assist with healthy@school practices.
  - b. Per state guidelines, students riding a school bus **MUST** wear a face mask except for Preschool and Kindergarten students.
  - c. By November 1, our goal will be for all students (PK - 12) to wear a facemask on the bus.
  - d. Parents/Guardians **MUST** take student temperature before getting on the bus.
  - e. Students will have assigned seats and will be spaced out as much as possible while on the bus.
  - f. Loading and unloading buses will adhere to healthy@school practices.
  - g. If a student does not want to wear a mask, they must be a car rider
2. Car Riders
  - a. Students will be dropped off at their designated points.
  - b. In grades PK-5, the students' temperature shall be taken before they enter the building by school personnel.
  - c. Students **MUST** wear a mask upon exiting the vehicle.
3. Student Drivers
  - a. Student drivers **MUST** wear a face mask upon exiting the vehicle and walk directly into the building at the designated entrance.
  - b. The student will conduct a temperature check and answer screening questions.

**Food Service:**

1. Students will eat breakfast and lunch in the classroom.
2. Students who are not attending "in-person" may pick up breakfast and lunch at each school site.
3. On Wednesday, meals will be provided for all students and follow our current delivery schedule.

**Athletics and Co-Curricular Activities:**

NOTE: Guidance has now been released for return to fall sports. This information can be found on the district website.

1. Coaches and student-athletes will follow "Healthy at School" guidelines as established by the KHSAA and approved by the Department of Public Health.
  - a. Temperature checks are required when arriving at practice
  - b. Wearing face covering is required when possible.
  - c. Social Distancing guidelines should be followed when possible.
  - d. Student-athletes and coaches will be randomly tested for COVID-19 on a bi-monthly basis during their entire season.
2. Guidance for Athletic Contest and Fans has also been released and will be posted on our district website.

**Additional information**

- This re-entry plan has been sent to the Estill County Health Department and local government for their approval.
- Each department will have a more detailed plan with specific information concerning each of the items above.
- As they become available they will also be released to our families and the general public on the district web site.