

Hybrid Parent FAQ: (updated 2-9-21)

Scheduling and School Processes:

When does school start? What time can I drop my child off and pick them up?

Our doors open at 8:40 for breakfast and instruction beginning at 9:00am. School ends at 3pm.

What is my student's schedule for their online days?

Students will be logging online to zoom in with their teacher for around 2.5 hours a day.

- For grades 3-4, this is during one session
- For grades 5-6 it is throughout the day.
- Students will also have a specials class of PE or Music and are encouraged to log into their Title, Special Education and ELD groups.

* Each teacher will provide a schedule with zoom links for their students. For examples of the 3-4 or 5-6 Hybrid Schedule, visit our school website in the Resource Section, then go down to "Hybrid Information".

What supplies will my student need to have?

They will need to bring their binder, planner, Reach for Reading book that was sent home at the beginning of the year as well as their fully charged chromebook and charger and a water bottle. The school supplies list from the fall is posted on our website. If you are unable to get these, no problem, we have lots of supplies waiting for them here.

What are Wednesdays like for Hybrid?

Wednesdays are the same as during CDL, students complete work assigned by their teacher to count as attendance.

How will 6th grade band work?

6th Graders will have band during their online days only. Students will log in during their specials time to attend their band session.

- Percussion (8:45-9:05)
- Choir (9:05-9:25)
- Woodwind (9:25-9:45)
- Brass (9:45-10:05)

Can I bring something to the school for my student? What happens if my child forgets something or I want to bring a treat for my student's class?

If a student forgets an essential learning tool (chromebook, binder, etc), parents can drop them at the office and we can bring it down to the child, although we want to limit this as much as possible. At this time, we are not allowing any special or forgotten lunches to be provided to students that are brought in after the students arrive. The only food items that can be shared have to be commercially prepared, individually packaged and sealed. They would then need to "quarantine" for 24 hour before the teacher could pass out to students.

How does my child check out a library book?

Check out our Tiger To Go program! Students can log in, choose a book and Ms.Heidi will either deliver the book to their classroom or contact the family for a pick up time if the student is enrolled in Edmentum.

How will recess work? Can the kids use the equipment?

Each classroom is assigned 2 specific times for recess, one in the morning and one in the afternoon. Our playground is divided into 2 sections: playground (which includes the swings, blacktop and playground) and field. Classes are assigned one time for each area daily. Each classroom is provided with recess equipment that will be assigned to specific students for the day. Each evening, our custodial staff will sanitize the equipment to be ready for the next day's students.

Where will students have their specials? How do those work in hybrid?

- **In Person:** specials will be a combination of In Person and online (teacher zooming into classroom). For In Person instruction, some sessions will be in the classroom (library and computers) while others will be a mixture of in the gym and zooming into the classroom (PE and Music). Specials are assigned for a week at a time while they are in the school (i.e. PE will be both their in person days for the week, then the next week the class may receive a week for Music).
- **Online:** specials will be a rotation of PE and Music.

Food, Water and Meals

What food does the school provide?

Breakfast and lunch are served at school for their in person days. Students are also encouraged to take a to go bag home, which has food for the days until they are back at school- 2 suppers, 2 lunches and 2 breakfasts. For students enrolled in Edmentum, who are absent and not able to receive their meal bag or older students who are not on campus yet, we have curbside pick at our school from 12:30-1:30.

Can students bring their own lunches? Where will the students eat lunch?

Students can bring their own lunches (we will also have school lunch available), they will just be stored in their backpack. Students will be eating lunch in the classroom. We have procedures in place for eating breakfast and lunch in the classroom in order to ensure sanitary eating conditions and student safety.

Should students bring their own water bottles?

Yes, water bottles are encouraged. Due to sanitary concerns, all drinking fountains are disabled. All classrooms have sinks to fill individual water bottles. We also will provide disposable small drinking cups for those who do not have a water bottle.

Healthy and Safety

What happens if my family is in quarantine?

If the child is quarantined, they will be able to log into their online teacher both days (their normal online days as well as their in person days). Let the office know and we will then share with teachers that need to know so your student will be admitted into the online learning session. This communication is important as students will not be admitted to zoom sessions if it is not their assigned online day.

When should I keep my child home? What if they are having mild symptoms of illness?

This is a case specific question- call the school and we can help guide you.

Will you still be conducting emergency drills during the pandemic? If so, how will those be conducted safely to ensure masking and social distancing?

Yes, as part of our LCSD monthly safety drill schedule, we will continue to conduct all safety drills to prepare for potential emergencies within the school day. Teachers will work with students to adapt their procedures to accommodate for social distancing (such as lining up with spacing for the fire drill or spreading out during a code red).

Will students be required to wear their masks during recess and PE?

Yes, part of the Blueprint for Reopening requires students to wear masks/face coverings at all times (shields are permitted if worn with a face covering), including PE and Recess. Mr. Culter (our new PE teacher for this year) is providing physical movement for students, that is not too strenuous exercise as well as working with students on games to play during recess that does not include running. Students can also request a “mask break” from which the teacher can provide an area (more than 6 feet) away from other students where they can take a short break.

What if my child's teacher is ill, how will hybrid learning be conducted?

As in other school years when teachers are ill, a substitute teacher will be responsible for student instruction for the day. They will be in the classroom and working with students filling in for the teacher. We have been working with our substitute teachers on getting to know how to use the technology and safety procedures.

Will students be tested for Covid?

No, we do not test for COVID at the school. If students appear to be symptomatic, we will remove the student from class and contact parents for immediate pickup of the student as well as notify our district nurse, who advises all school directions. We have detailed procedures when students are symptomatic, which we follow closely.

What happens if I keep my child home because they are showing symptoms of illness?

If your student experiences symptoms connected to a possible Covid exposure, contact our office so we can connect you to our school nurse. If the student is out longer than 3 days with a non-Covid illness, please provide us with a doctor's note as in previous years. As for attendance, students will be marked absent for the day- your student can contact their teacher for any work that needs to be made up.

How is safety addressed for students in the common areas?

Common areas are cleaned frequently as well as we have reduced traffic in these areas.

- Bathrooms: Cohorted by classes, cleaned 2 times a day
- Hallways: Tiger Paws on the ground to mark 6' to ensure distancing while in line, arrows to direct traffic to one way in the narrow halls
- Gym: No classes are back to back in the gym
- Parent Pickup: Students wait in the gym, social distancing while waiting

How is social distancing on the busses handled?

Students are grouped on the bus by home. We have added 5 additional busses to our Taft Elementary route to assist in safely transporting students.

How are classrooms ventilated? What about those without windows?

Each classroom has an air exchange unit built in as well as an additional vent to carry air outside. Each unit has been tested to ensure they operate properly as well as are cleaned regularly.