



Water Valley School District

Return-to-Learn 2020-2021

The Water Valley School District is planning to return to school on August 3, 2020. Parents who choose not to send their children back to school in August will have the virtual/distance learning option.

Please understand that during these uncertain times things change daily.

We will follow the school calendar that was approved earlier this year and is posted on the district website (wvsdonline.com). If the district has to adjust the calendar to meet certain regulations, then it will be published when approved by the school board.

Parents will choose one of the two learning options per semester for the 2020-2021 school year.

Traditional Education – Face-to-Face 5 days a week

- Students in PreK-2 will remain with their teachers for the duration of the day.
- Students 3-6 will remain in their homeroom class, and the teachers will rotate classes.
- Students will leave the rooms as a class for lunch, physical education, activities, and recess.
- Classes will be social distanced from other classes when they are out of their homerooms.
- Students 7-12 will resume normal instruction with social distancing being practiced as much as possible.
- We recommend any students who have a medical condition to seek advice from their doctor on returning to school.

Virtual/Distant Learning

- Students who don't have access to a computer will be issued a Chromebook. Parents will have to sign a contract with guidelines for checking out a computer.
- Students who don't have access to the Internet will get a USB flash drive with teacher recorded lessons and instructional materials on it. These lessons will be done weekly and returned to the school for teachers to grade. When students return the lessons, they will be given the next week's lessons. **Parents will be responsible for picking up and returning work weekly.**
- Students who do have Internet will do their work through on-line programs and Google Classroom. It is highly recommended that students **who do not** have access to the Internet return to traditional learning.
- Parents who choose distance learning must do so by July 24, 2020, for the fall semester and December 11, 2020, for the spring semester. The deadline is in place, so we can have time to prepare Chromebooks and instructional materials. Forms can be found on the district website or at the school. Parents can begin to sign their child up for virtual learning July 13, 2020.
- Students who choose to do distance learning may not participate in extra-curricular activities.

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The safety and wellbeing of our students, employees, and families are very important to the Water Valley School District. Please take a look at these guidelines and precautions before you make a decision about your child's coming back to school this year.

Face Mask:

- Washable face masks will be given to students when the masks are delivered. Students will be given 2 medical grade masks to use until the washable are handed out. Students will also be issued a lanyard to hook to the mask to help them keep up with it.
- Students PreK-6 will be required to wear a mask when outside of their classroom and social distancing can't be practiced. They will not be required to wear the mask when they are in the classroom.
- Student in 7-12 will be required to wear a mask during class changes and when social distancing can't be practiced. Students are not required to wear the mask in the classroom.
- Students may wear their own masks, but it must be solid in color with no writing or emblems on the mask.
- Teachers will be required to wear a mask/face shield in and out of the classroom when social distancing can't be practiced.
- Although masks are not required at times, they are highly recommended.

Bus transportation:

- All buses will be sanitized in the morning and afternoon when all students exit the buses.
- Students will have to use the hand sanitizer machines on the buses before they enter the bus.
- Students temperature will be checked before getting on the bus. If a student has a fever, then he/she will not be allowed on the bus unless he/she is unable to return home. If a student is unable to return to his/her home, then he/she will be placed in a mask and seated in a designated area on the bus social distanced from other students.
- Mask are required on the bus because it will be impossible to social distance.
- Windows will be open when weather permits.
- All buses will be electrostatic sprayed weekly.
- We highly recommend that parents transport their children to and from school.

Car Riders:

- Students' temperatures will be checked when they get out of the vehicle. If a student has a fever, he/she will not be allowed to stay at school.
- Students will sanitize hands upon entering the building.
- We highly recommend parents transport students to and from school.

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Visitors:

- All visitors must sanitize their hands upon entering the building.
- All visitors will have their temperature checked upon entering the building. If they have a temperature, then they will have to leave the building.
- Visitors will only be allowed in the office area or the conference room.
- Visitors must have a mask on during parent conferences

Classrooms:

- Cleaned daily when students leave for the day.
- Electrostatic sprayed every Friday after school.
- Electric hand sanitizers in every classroom.
- Open windows as much as possible to let fresh air in the room.
- Students will be social distanced as much as possible.
- No outside food may be brought into the classroom for parties or to share with other students.

Cafeteria:

- Hand sanitizers on the walls in the cafeteria and serving line.
- Students will social distance while in line to get food and take food back to their classroom (Grades 2-12). Pre-K -1 will eat in cafeteria social distanced by class if more than one class is in the cafeteria.
- Workers will wear masks, gloves, and face shields.
- No outside food will be allowed to be delivered. Students may bring their own lunch.
- Sneeze guards at check-out counters.
- Workers will serve students their food.
- Bottle fill water fountains will be available for students to fill water bottles. Students should bring a refillable bottle from home.

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Technology:

- Sanitized when students leave the room.
- When we go one-to-one, students will use the same Chromebook throughout the day, and it will be sanitized at the end of the day.



Restrooms:

- Wash or sanitize your hands before you leave restroom
- Touchless water faucets
- Touchless sanitizer and paper towel dispensers
- Clean 2 times a day or more if needed
- Electrostatic fogged every Friday after school

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Testing positive for COVID-19

Parents are required to report to the school if their child tests positive for COVID-19. The parent/guardian of the students and all employees who were in close contact (less than 6 feet for 15 minutes) without a mask will be notified that they came into contact with someone who tested positive for COVID-19. Those students and employees will begin distance learning/distance teaching for 14 days or CDC guidelines. All areas that a person that has tested positive for COVID-19 will be electrostatic sprayed. This will be the only time a student will be allowed to transition to virtual learning mid-semester.

Outbreak of students testing positive for COVID-19:

If we have a high number of cases of COVID-19 at one time, then we may choose to quarantine the class or close school for 14 days or CDC guidelines. If this happens we will transfer to distance learning for the time school is closed, and all extra-curricular activities will be suspended until we return to school.

Students who have fever after arriving at school:

Students with a 100 plus temperature will be isolated from the general population, and it will be mandatory that they wear a mask that the school will provide. Parents will be contacted to come pick the child up from school. It is at the parent's discretion that the child be tested for COVID-19. Students will not be allowed back to school until after the fever is gone for 24 hours. Students will be required to wear the mask until they leave the building.



Employees who have a fever when they clock in:

Employees will have their temperature checked before they clock in. If the employee has a temperature, the principal or superintendent should be notified immediately. The employee must immediately put a mask on and exit the building. The employee should then contact the principal and ask for directions. The employee may not return to school until they have been without fever for 24 hours. Any area that the employee was in will be sanitized.

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Students, employees, and visitors who have one or more of these symptoms should not enter any school buildings:

- A fever
- A cough that cannot be attributed to another health condition
- A sore throat that cannot be attributed to another health condition
- Nasal congestion or runny nose that cannot be attributed to another health condition
- Body aches
- Loss of taste and/or smell
- Diarrhea
- Nausea
- Vomiting
- Sweats/Chills
- He or she provides care for or lives with someone who has COVID-19 symptoms (fever and symptoms listed above) or who has tested positive for COVID-19 in the last 14 days.
- He or she has been exposed to someone with a positive COVID-19 test in the last 14 days.

Parents should monitor their children and if they have any of the symptoms listed above should keep them at home and contact the school.

Parents can contact the school after hours at des@wvwd.k12.ms.us or wvhs@wvwd.k12.ms.us



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Faculty/Student Training

Faculty:

- Virtual learning training for teachers.
- Intense training on first 2 professional development days to include all guidelines and procedures in this plan.

Students:

- Students will be taught the guidelines and procedures the first day of school and weekly after the first day.

Signage for COVID-19:

- There will be signage at all entrances, restrooms, hand sanitizers, hallways, and classrooms.

Please understand that these guidelines and procedures are contingent on getting the supplies needed to implement this plan and local and state health recommendations. If we face this issue, then we will re-evaluate our plans.

If you have any questions, please contact your child's school.
Davidson Elementary School 662-473-1110
Water Valley High School 662-473-2468

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Water Valley School District Online/Virtual Instruction Agreement

If you wish for your child to participate in online classroom instruction which will apply toward attendance, the following agreement must be signed and returned to the school office. Please note that once the agreement has been signed and accepted, returning to the school building for instruction will not be allowed until the next semester. Application for online instruction will be available prior to each semester. We will not go between online and face-to face instruction within a semester.

Please indicate with your initials that you understand the following:

- I am applying for my child to receive classroom instruction in online/virtual format.
- I understand that I can only apply once prior to the beginning of the semester. Face-to-face instruction will not be available until the beginning of the next semester.
- If I do not have Internet capabilities at home, I will contact the school to determine the best method of providing access to instruction. Otherwise, I am indicating that I have reliable Internet.
- I understand that my child is responsible for completing all classroom assignments and returning completed work on time, or their grades will be negatively affected.
- I will assure the work and all assignments are completed and returned.
- I understand that my child will need to come to the school building to complete some assessments/tests.
- I understand that this agreement must be turned into my child's school by the deadlines stated below.
- I understand that my child may not participate in extracurricular activities while participating in virtual/online learning.

Parent Signature

Date

Child's Name (Please print)

School

Grade Level

Semester Requested: **First Semester** _____ **Must be turned in by July 24th**

(Please choose one) **Second Semester** _____ **Must be turned in by December 11th**

