FRANKFORT SCHOOL DISTRICT 157-C PLAN TO REOPEN SCHOOLS 2020-21

Parent/Guardian Presentation July, 2020
RETURNING TO SCHOOL SAFELY

- Governor Pritzker’s Executive Order 2020-40, filed on June 4, 2020, allowed schools to reopen for in-person instruction beginning in Phase 4
- On June 26, the state moved into Phase 4 and ISBE has highly recommended schools open for in-person instruction
- District will implement safety measures per Illinois Department of Public Health
  - Require use of appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE), including mandatory face coverings;
  - Prohibit more than 50 individuals from gathering in one space;
  - Require social distancing be observed, as much as possible;
  - Require that schools conduct symptom screenings and temperature checks or require that individuals self-certify that they are free of symptoms before entering school buildings;
  - Require an increase in school-wide cleaning and disinfection.
- District is prepared to reopen our schools to In-Person Learning on Monday, August 24
Approximately 800 families participated in our survey which represents about 53% of our families.

Between 85-89% of families in K-8th grade indicated their child will wear a face covering while at school with approximately 65% of our Pre-K families indicating the same.

33% of families indicated they need bus transportation with 57% indicating they may be able to utilize other forms of transportation.

94% of families indicated they would be willing to conduct COVID-19 symptom checks on their child(ren) prior to attending school each day.

87% of families indicated they plan to send their child(ren) to school in the fall.
REMOTE LEARNING SURVEY RESULTS

From Certified Staff:
- Collecting and Maintaining Grades
- Assessing Students (Summatives)
- Assessing Students (Formatives)
- More Professional Learning around use of Technology

From Parents:
- Providing Live Instruction
- Assessing Student Performance
- Teacher Feedback to Students
- Grading and Reporting Practices
157-C PATHWAYS TO LEARNING

**OPTION 1:**
In-Person Instruction
(With Health & Safety Modifications)

**OPTION 2:**
Remote Learning at home
(Opt-out of In-Person instruction)
OPTION 1: FULL TIME IN-PERSON LEARNING

- Pre-Kindergarten – Grade 8
- 5 full days per week
- IDPH Preventive safety measures will be followed
- Students grouped to minimize mixing
- Instruction in core content and encore classes daily
- Intervention and enrichment support
- Social and emotional support
- Lunch and recess modifications
- Extra-curricular modifications
- No field trips until further notice – will encourage virtual trips
IN-PERSON LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

- Classroom seating will be spaced to promote social distancing to the extent possible; desks will be utilized when available and faced in the same direction; many classrooms will utilize table seating if desks are not available.
- Students will wash/sanitize hands frequently throughout the school day; hand sanitizer will be available in every classroom and in all common areas.
- Staff and students will wear face coverings (masks will be required unless a medical documentation to wear a face shield is provided).
- Locker use will be minimized at CH and HCMS; students will carry supplies with them in their backpack.
- Outdoor social distance breaks will be provided throughout the day when face coverings may be removed.
- Hallways will be marked to promote social distancing and one-way traffic; staggered passing periods.
- Restrooms will be monitored to ensure that students are practicing social distancing requirements.
- Water bottle filling stations will be open; traditional water fountains will be closed.
- Cleaning/sanitizing will continue to occur daily, and comprehensive cleaning/sanitizing will occur nightly with EPA approved products.
Students will follow their typical schedule with select activities being held outdoors and with social distancing when possible.

Lunch will occur in the classrooms on most days:
- Classes may rotate in the lunchroom while ensuring no more than 50 people are in the space at any time.
- An ‘allergy-aware’ area will be set up where students are eating lunch.
- Spaces will be cleaned by students after eating.
- Students will remove face coverings during lunch and social distancing will be promoted as much as possible.
- Milk will continue to be available for purchase and bag lunches will be available for students in-need who qualify.

GP and CH recess will be held outdoors, and social distancing will be practiced.

HCMS students will participate in PE without changing into their PE uniforms; locker rooms will not be used.
Parents will be expected to pre-screen students at home daily prior to arriving to the bus stop or school. This will include a COVID-19 symptom checklist for each child attending school. Parents/guardians are required to keep child(ren) home when symptoms are present.

COVID-19 symptom checks will be done in the nurse’s office if necessary, for students and staff.

Each school will maintain an Isolation Room for students demonstrating COVID-like symptoms until parent/guardian can pick up the student.

PER ISBE requirements, school nurses will maintain a Contact Tracing Absence Log and work closely with the IDPH on absence trends.

We will follow the recommendations set forth by the IDPH when a positive or suspected COVID-19 case is reported.

Student and staff medical confidentiality will always be maintained and respected.
TRANSPORTATION

Buses will run their regular routes

A maximum of 50 people, including the driver and any support adults will be maintained on each route

Students will always be assigned a seat on the bus and expected to wear a face covering

We anticipate an increased number of car riders – please allow for additional time for drop-off and pick-up

Students may be dropped off no sooner than:
- 7:25 am at HCMS
- 8:05 am at GP
- 8:50 am at CH

Students will enter the school from multiple doors and go directly to their classroom

Buses will be wiped down between routes and fully sanitized nightly
- Hot Lunch program – Suspended until further notice
- Meet and Greet and Curriculum Nights will be virtual presentations
- Parent/Teacher Conferences will be virtual meetings
- Family School Partnership Evening Family Events and School Assemblies – Suspended until further notice
- Indoor Athletic Competitions, Instrumental and Performing Arts Concerts and Events – If we can host these events, spectators will be limited to the IDPH capacity limits; social distancing and face coverings will be expected
- Appointment will be needed to visit the school or district office
- Must undergo a COVID-symptom self-screening prior to entering school
- Student IEP, Section 504 and parent/staff meetings will be held virtually
- Volunteer programs will be suspended until further notice; Virtual volunteer programs will be promoted
- Parents/Guardians will be allowed to drop off student supplies in the school offices
- Third party programs, such as Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, Young Rembrandts, private instrument lessons will be suspended until further notice
- Park District Prairie Care at Grand Prairie will continue with IDPH requirements
- Face coverings will be required to enter the school or district office
Throughout the pandemic period, students may need to remain home for short periods of time. Students will be encouraged to participate in the daily work assignments provided by the classroom teacher. Remote Learning will not be offered in these situations.

Parents must report absence daily and provide reason.

If student can complete work, assignments will be graded, feedback will be provided.

Student will go back into his or her assigned classroom when cleared to return.
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  - In-Person Instruction
  - (With Health & Safety Modifications)

- **OPTION 2:**
  - Remote Learning at home
  - (Opt-out of In-Person instruction)
OPTION 2: FULL TIME REMOTE LEARNING WHEN SCHOOL IS IN SESSION

- Pre-Kindergarten – Grade 8
- Student will receive a district-owned laptop (pending delivery status); family must provide internet connection
  - Materials will be provided to parents in scheduled intervals for pick up
- Daily schedule with live teacher; teacher videos; independent work
  - Attendance will be taken, and minimum school engagement time periods will be expected daily
  - Parent/guardian participation is recommended for successful experience
  - Grades and traditional report cards will be issued
- Core instruction, assessments and teacher feedback will be provided
  - FastBridge benchmarking assessment will be administered in school by appointment
- Supports and services will continue to be provided per the student’s IEP or Section 504 plan on file
- Re-enrollment to In-Person Learning will take place at the Quarter Grading periods
- Staffing will be determined once we know how many students will be choosing this option
SCHOOL CALENDAR RECOMMENDATIONS

- August 17 –21 – Staff Planning and Preparation Days
- August 24- First Day of School for all K-8 students
- August 25 – First Day of School for all Preschool
- Curriculum Nights – Virtual
- Parent/Teacher Conferences – Virtual

ADDITIONAL POSSIBILITIES THROUGHOUT THE YEAR:
- Mandated full time Remote Learning for all students
- Use of 5 Remote Learning Planning Days – will be included in the school calendar as needed to prepare for an extended school closure
MANDATED REMOTE LEARNING WHEN SCHOOLS ARE CLOSED

- Pre-Kindergarten – Grade 8
- Current class placement/schedule would remain the same
- Core and Encore subjects will be taught
- Students will receive a district-owned laptop (pending delivery status); family must provide internet connection
  - Materials will be provided to parents in scheduled intervals for pick up
- Daily schedule with live teacher; teacher videos; independent work; teacher feedback
  - Attendance will be taken, and minimum 5-hour school day will be expected
  - Parent/guardian participation is recommended for successful experience
  - Grades and traditional report cards will be issued
- Supports and services will continue to be provided per the student’s IEP or Section 504 plan on file
If you plan to send your child(ren) to Full Time In-Person Learning in the fall and agree to follow IDPH and ISBE requirements, you should complete the online registration process as normal. You should expect to receive information from your child's school in early August with class assignment, schedules, bus information and specific return-to-school information.

If you plan to keep your child at home and select the optional Full Time Remote Learning model you must complete and submit this form by noon on July 27, 2020. Remote learning will begin Monday, August 24. Information regarding teacher(s) assignment and daily schedule will be provided prior to the start of Remote Learning. By submitting the Request for Full Time Remote Learning form, the parent/guardian is agreeing to provide an internet connection and adult support for the student engaged in remote learning. By choosing this option, parent/guardian understands that transition to In-Person Learning will only occur at quarter breaks.

If you plan to homeschool your child, you must call the school office to un-enroll your child as soon as possible. Illinois Homeschooling Website: isbe.net/pages/homeschool.aspx
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