

- **Which classes will be offered for students who choose Full-Time Remote Learning?**

All classes (including PE, band, choir, science labs and industry and career classes) will continue to be offered whether you choose Hybrid or Full-time Remote Learning. Please know your student's experience may be different if they select Full-Time Remote Learning as hands-on learning activities may not be accessible remotely. Teachers will work to provide meaningful learning opportunities in an online format for students who choose Full-Time Remote Learning.

- **Will dual credit classes be offered?**

District 155 continues to work collaboratively with McHenry County Community College to offer all dual credit classes for students who select Hybrid or Full-Time Remote Learning.

If the dual credit course requires specific hands-on skill demonstrations (for example, an autos class) the district will work with students to identify an alternative way for students who select Full-Time Remote Learning to schedule a time to demonstrate those skills in-person.

- **Will students be expected to Zoom into a livestream during class?**

Students who select Full-Time Remote Learning will be expected to follow the same 9-period schedule as those who choose Hybrid Instruction. During daily class periods teachers may utilize several different methods to engage students while they are learning remotely, including livestreams, recorded lessons, Canvas assignments, and other strategies.

- **Will students have the option to switch between the Red and Blue Group?**

Due to capacity limits, students will not have the option to switch between the Red and Blue Group.

- **Will students have the option to switch between instruction models during the fall semester?**

The instruction model you choose will be for the fall semester. We certainly understand that this is a fluid situation. At this time, the decision to switch instruction models during the semester will be handled on a case-by-case basis by your school's administration team.

- **When is the first day of school for students?**

Attendance will be taken for all students beginning Monday, August 17. Teachers will communicate prior to Monday, August 17 outlining the expectations for students who will not be in-person on Monday, August 17. Students should check their email on Friday, August 14 for further communication from their teacher.

Students with the last name L-Z will be in the blue group and the first day of in-person instruction will be Monday, August 17.

Students with the last name A-K will be in the red group and the first day of in-person instruction will be Tuesday, August 18.

- **Which option should I select if my student is in a Specialized Program (Life Skills (LS), Functional Life Skills (FLS), Functional Communication Skills (FCS), or Strive)?**

District special education team members are working in committee to solidify scheduling for specialized programs. Proposals will be complete in time for the August 4 Board meeting. Communication will be released following Board action. The team is looking to daily in-person instruction for specialized self-contained programming, however, we are working around overall scheduling needs, related service delivery, and shared transportation. The day could look different than our traditional 9-period schedule (meaning shorter days or 4 days in and one day out, etc.). Our goal is to have students live-in person as much as possible in each 5-day week stretch.

If you wish to have your student participate in the live-instruction model, please select 'hybrid' option in Skyward. If you wish to have your student access school full time remote learning from home, please select 'Full Time Remote Learning'. Details to your student's individual plan will be available August 5.

There may be instances where students serviced through an Individual Education Plan (IEP) yet are not participating in a specialized program attend live in-person to receive related service support. Building special education divisional leaders are the contact administrator for inquiries regarding individual student plans. The first day of attendance for students will be Monday, August 17, 2020.

- **What is the expectation for student attendance?**

Attendance is mandatory for all students and will be recorded in Skyward. Any student who selected the Hybrid model and stays home on their in-person instructional day will be considered absent. Parents should still call the attendance line if their student will not be present on an in-person Hybrid day.

Students who select the Full-Time Remote Learning plan will need to be engaged daily for attendance to be recorded.

- **Where will students eat lunch? Will students be allowed to go outside? Where will students go for study halls?**

To adhere to limiting groups of 50 in each space while maintaining social distance, each school will identify spaces for lunches and study halls. Individual schools may identify outside areas for students to go for lunch and/or study hall.

- **Did the district consider splitting students by grade level?**

Please know the district examined several options, but due to capacity limitations the most viable option was splitting the alphabet to comply with capacity limits. In order to maintain consistent schedules across all grade levels, we determined an alpha split would offer the most consistent coursework. We also considered transportation and felt it was an important option to give families an opportunity to carpool with siblings.

- **When will we receive more information about Distribution Days & Freshman Orientation?**

Parents should receive more information about Distribution Days and Freshman Orientation via email from your school on Monday (July 27) afternoon. If you did not receive a communication, please contact your school.

- **How will my student(s) get to school for extracurricular activities?**

We are awaiting the IHSA's decision on whether there will be fall sports and information regarding transportation will be addressed once a decision has been made by IHSA.

- **How do I select my student's plan?**

A Return to Learn selection form is available in Skyward for each student. Please log into your Skyward account on a desktop or laptop and complete the following steps. You will not be able to make the selection through the Skyward app on your phone. For more information, visit the district's [Return to Learn Plan](#), page 8.

- **How do I check Skyward to verify my selection?**

Please view [this video](#) if you would like to verify your selection: