



# STISD Phased-In Return to School Plan

TEA approved STISD’s offering of solely virtual instruction district wide for the initial four weeks of the 2020-2021 school year. With board approval, STISD submitted an application for a waiver from TEA for four additional weeks of limitations on in-person instruction as our region continues to battle COVID-19.

During the second four-week transition period (from Sept. 15-Oct. 8), TEA requires that we offer some on-campus instruction each day. As students and faculty and staff will be transitioning back to a “new normal” and will need an opportunity to adjust to instruction and school life with different processes and procedures, the district has decided to transition students gradually throughout this time period.

Below are the district’s current plans for a phased-in return to schools.

*Please note: the timeline and instructional methods offered could shift or change depending upon the public health situation and circumstances within the district and region.*

## Phased-In Plan for Return to Schools

<b>Teachers Voluntarily Report to Classrooms</b>	<b>Aug. 17</b> - All students district wide participate in virtual instruction from home
<b>Extended 4-Weeks of Virtual Learning Begins and District Begins Bringing Back Students in a Phased-in Approach While Transitioning</b>	<b>Sept. 15</b>
<b>Select Groups Report for Virtual Learning at School</b>	<b>Sept. 15</b> - The district will bring back a small percentage of students who could benefit most from an on-campus “learning space” for these students to continue their virtual instruction
<b>District Requests Parent Selection for Instructional Setting for Second Quarter (Oct. 13- Dec. 17)</b>	<b>Sept. 14 - Sept.18</b>
<b>All Teachers Report Back to Campus</b>	<b>Sept. 28</b>





**Return of Students Who Opt To Return to Campuses for Second Quarter Based Upon Parent Choice**

**Oct. 13**

- STISD may need to limit the days on which some students report for in-person instruction, if campuses are not able to safely accommodate the numbers of students who request to return. The district will share additional details as data becomes available and plans are finalized.

- With the exception of beginning on-campus instruction for the end of the first quarter, parents and students are asked to commit to an instructional method for an entire grading period. Students/parents will be able to transition between instructional delivery methods, if they so choose, but will not be able to do so until the end of a grading period to take effect at the beginning of the next grading period. Parents will be asked to commit to one instructional method for the duration of the second quarter.

