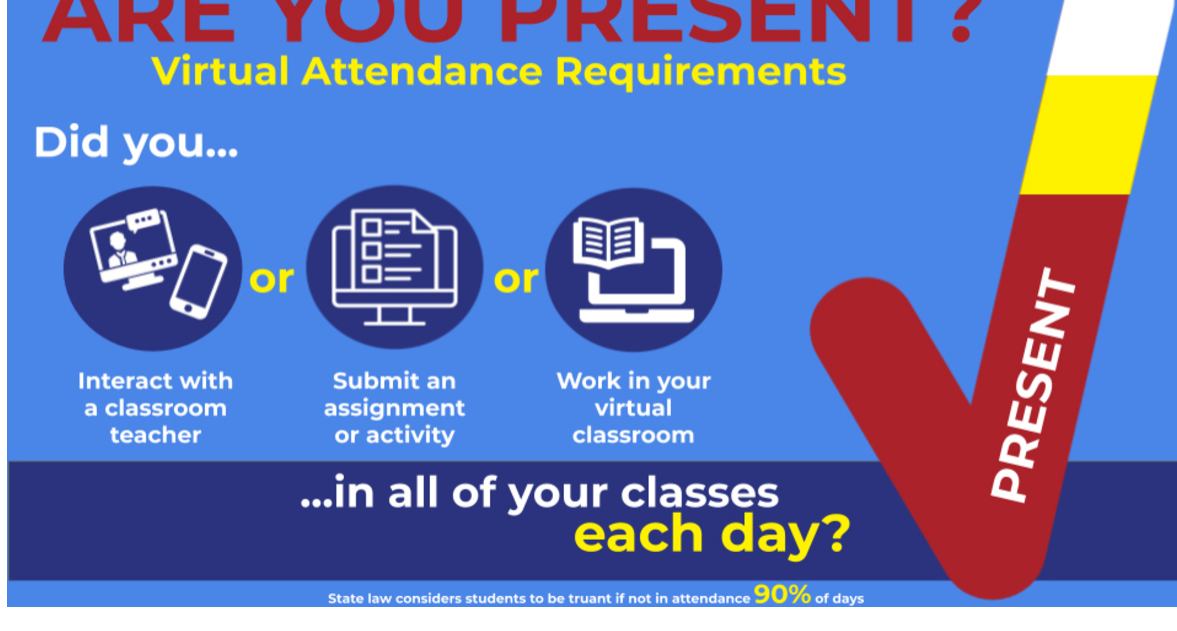




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Attendance Matters: Learn the Requirements for Being Counted Present



Attendance in Virtual Learning is not as simple as students raising a hand in class to announce they are present. The process deserves special attention, especially after the technology challenges many faced with the first day or two of school. For the first week of school, students who were unable to log in but communicate with a teacher, principal or counselor will not be penalized.

Going forward, it is important for students and their families to understand the attendance requirements.

Each day, teachers will take attendance in Skyward – where they will mark students as present or absent. There are several ways students are able to qualify as present, and they involve students being engaged on a daily basis to be counted in attendance.

That includes:

- Interacting with a classroom teacher (live, phone, or virtual)
- Submitting instructional activities or assignments by the 11:59 p.m. deadline each day
- Engaging with digital learning programs or virtual classroom

For more information, click [here](#).

Athletics Announces Online Ticket Sales and Social Distancing Requirements



Part of the fun of being a Duncanville Panther is getting to follow our amazing teams throughout the season and to watch the band, cheerleaders and High Hats perform.

This year you'll see adjustments in the process for purchasing, seating for fans and safety requirements in our facilities. The changes are in compliance with the University Interscholastic League's mandated restrictions on occupancy at all sporting events. Masks and temperature screenings will also be required.

Tickets for all sports' home games will be purchased online at the district website through Hometown Ticketing and will be delivered as electronic tickets.

For football games, families of those participating, including players, band members, cheerleaders and High Hats, will have an exclusive, pre-sale availability starting each Monday when they can purchase up to five tickets.

Each Tuesday, tickets will be made available to district staff and the general public. Duncanville ISD staff members can reserve two complimentary tickets. A special code, provided in a district email, will be required to receive the tickets online and a valid district ID must be shown at the door. Fans can purchase up to 6 tickets and groups in the stands will be limited to 10.

The volleyball teams kick off their season on Tuesday, Sept. 15 at 5:30 p.m.. The ninth grade team plays in the west campus gym and JV and varsity at Sandra Meadows Arena.

For more details about tickets, click [here](#) on the Athletics Department website.

Disinfecting Sprayers Purchased for Every Teacher



During the first week of school, the district made a special delivery of 1,200 handheld, disinfecting sprayers to all of our campuses. Each teacher received an easy-to-use misting sprayer to keep their classrooms sanitized during the day - especially on high touch areas like door handles, light switches and computer keyboards.

The sprayer provides an extra tool to keep our teachers, staff and students healthy and safe. It also supplements a comprehensive set of cleaning supplies and personal protective equipment Duncanville ISD provided our campuses and departments before the start of school.

The district began proactively purchasing personal protective equipment in the spring and has been making additional purchases as more funding has been provided, such as contributions from the Texas Education Agency. Those supplies include: **160,000** masks, **14,000** packages of disinfecting wipes, **2,400** bottles of hand sanitizer, **2,150** face shields, nearly **300** infrared thermometers, **150** touchless hand sanitizers for campuses and **80** touchless hand sanitizers for buses.

District Selects #DvilleDayOne Contest Winners



We loved seeing your #DvilleDayOne photos on the first day of school. Some of you got really creative with the Virtual Learning theme.

We'll be reaching out to the winning families to claim their prize, but if you see your student's photo in the collage above, please help us identify them by contacting [Luci Lopez](#) in our Communications Department.

Upcoming Events:

Middle School Virtual Meet the Teacher, Thursday, Sept. 17 from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Board of Trustees Meeting, Monday, Sept. 21 at 6:30 p.m.

High School Virtual Meet the Teacher, Thursday, Sept. 24 from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.



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