

MONONGALIA COUNTY SCHOOLS RE-ENTRY UPDATE

Updated July 10, 2020

7 DAY PHASED-IN RE-ENTRY SCHEDULE

-  **SEPT. 8** **Grades 1, 5, 6, 12**
Report for in-person learning.
-  **SEPT. 9** **Grades 2, 4, 7, 11**
Report for in-person learning.
-  **SEPT. 10** **Grades K, 3, 8, 10**
Report for in-person learning.
-  **SEPT. 11** **Grades K, 2, 6, 9**
Report for in-person learning.
-  **SEPT. 14** **Grades Pre-K, 5, 7, 9, 12**
Report for in-person learning.
-  **SEPT. 15** **Grades Pre-K, 4, 8, 10, 11**
Report for in-person learning.
-  **SEPT. 16** **Grades 1, 3, 6 thru 12**
Report for in-person learning.



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SCHOOL OPTIONS

For ALL Monongalia County Schools' Students (Pre-K-12th Grade) beginning September 8, 2020.

OPTION 1: In-person Learning

Students attend classes in-person daily.
Staff & students screened daily.

OPTION 2: Virtual Learning

Comprised of on-line courses presented by facilitators through the West Virginia Department of Education.

NOTE: MCS teachers do **not** participate in the Virtual Learning instructional process.

MORE INFO: <http://wvde.state.wv.us/vschool/>

OPTION 3: Homeschooling

All children in West Virginia 6-17 years-of-age are required by statute to receive appropriate educational instruction. Home-based education offers parents an option to fulfill that legal obligation.

MORE INFO: MCS Attendance/Homeschool Department

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SPECIALIZED INSTRUCTIONAL OPTIONS



Remote Learning

Initiated by Governor Justice statewide to minimize COVID-19 spread by temporarily suspending all in-person learning.

Students remain enrolled in their schools and classes.

Students receive instruction from MCS classroom teachers by alternative methods. Alternative methods will include online platforms, phone, or hard copy instructional materials.



Arctic Academy & Beyond

Initiated by MCS Superintendent Dr. Eddie Campbell to provide instruction during short-term interruptions to in-person learning unique to MCS.

Lessons are created and delivered by MCS classroom teachers.

Delivery methods will include online platforms, phone, or hard copy instructional materials.



Homebound Instruction

For students absent from in-person learning for two weeks or more due to an injury or illness as certified by a licensed physician.

Instruction designed to help students complete academic assignments made during their absence and to facilitate their successful transition back to in-person learning.

MORE INFO: MCS School Health/Homebound Services Department

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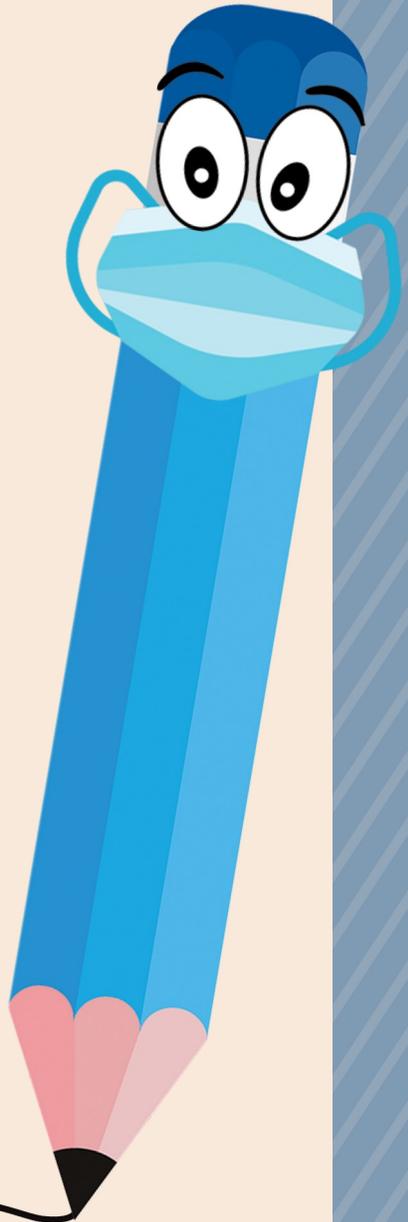


FACE COVERINGS

Given the recent resurgence of active COVID-19 cases in Monongalia County, MCS has elected to implement more stringent requirements regarding the use of face coverings in our schools than are currently directed by the West Virginia Department of Education (WVDE).

All MCS students and staff engaged in the in-person learning option (*see School Options page*) will wear face coverings throughout the instructional day to help reduce COVID-19's spread. MCS will provide face coverings to any student or staff member who may need them.

Any student who cannot wear a face covering due to a medical condition, including respiratory issues that impede breathing, a mental health condition or disability, and students who would be unable to remove a mask without assistance will not be required to comply with this requirement.



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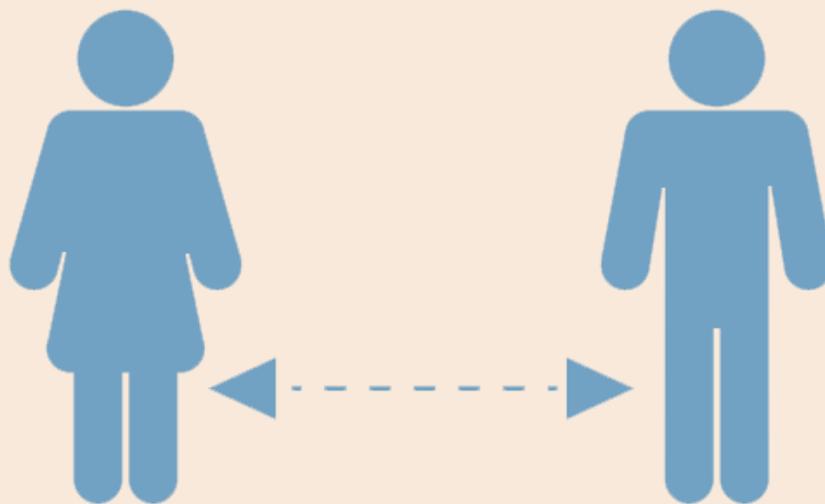
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SOCIAL DISTANCING

MCS Administrators are adjusting physical space configurations to allow for a minimum of one meter (3.2 feet) of social distancing between students in classrooms and common areas.

According to Dr. Clay Marsh, West Virginia's COVID-19 Czar, maintaining at least one meter of social distancing has been found to be markedly effective in reducing COVID-19's spread.



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COMMUNITY INPUT IS VALUABLE



Re-Entry Planning Committees

Drawing on their members' specific areas of expertise, committees comprised of MCS administrators, professional and service staff members, parents, and community representatives are meeting through July 16 to develop recommendations for school re-entry.

Those committees are focusing on: Elementary Instruction & Learning; Middle/High Instruction & Learning; Special Education; Social and Emotional Wellness; Career & Technical Education; Safe Schools & Transportation; and Extra-Curricular & Extended Day Activities.

The committees' recommendations, along with directives from the WVDE and the WV and Mon County Health departments, will form the basis of the general MCS Re-Entry Plan.

The plan will be reviewed by the Monongalia County Board of Education and released on or before July 31, 2020.



Community Re-Entry Survey

A brief survey soliciting school re-entry preferences from students' parents will be posted on the MCS and our individual schools' websites within the next two weeks. Your responses will help MCS more effectively prepare to welcome its students and staff back into our buildings as safely as possible.

MCS WEBSITE: <https://boe.mono.k12.wv.us/>



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