

Fairview School District 72

Return to School Planning Update

July 20, 2020 Dr. Cindy Whittaker



<u>Welcome</u>

Mary Anne Brown, Board President

• Cindy Whittaker, Superintendent



<u>Plan Overview - Guiding Principles</u>

- Based on guidance and feedback received thus far, grounded in science
 - Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE)
 - Governor's Restore Illinois Phases
 - Center for Disease Control (CDC)
 - Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH)
 - Skokie Department of Public Health
 - American Pediatric Association
 - Remote Learning Survey and Fall Planning Survey
 - Return to School Task Force Feedback



<u>Plan Overview - Guiding Principles</u>

Maintain the health and safety of all students and staff

Provide meaningful and engaging experience for all students

Address the social emotional well being of school community



How does the year begin and continue?

Begin Year With:

- In person instruction with IDPH Guidelines
- Planned calendar start dates and end times
- Planned school schedule with all subjects and modified specials
- Illinois is in Phase 4 or 5

Possibilities During the Year:

- Transitioning to full time Remote Learning, if necessary
- Short term (2-5 days) Remote Learning for cleaning, if necessary
- Use of 5 Remote Planning Days
- Illinois is in Phase 1-4



Calendars & Schedules

- August 24, 25, 26 Teacher Institute Days
- August 27 1st day of school for grades 1-8
- August 31 1st day of school for Kindergarten

A revised 2020-2021 school year calendar will be presented for Board approval at the August Board Meeting.



Assessing Learning Loss and Social Emotional Wellness

- Student academic achievement and social emotional well-being will be assessed at the beginning of the school year.
- Each Grade-Level Team will use assessment data to differentiate for students within the classroom.
- Enrichment and intervention plans will be created for students as needed.
- All District interventionists will continue in that role and will provide support for students in small groups.
- Social and Emotional Learning Instruction will be provided school-wide and at each grade-level utilizing the District's newly adopted Second Step curriculum.

Alternative to In-Person Learning - Remote Learning

Students will have an opportunity to participate in a full-time remote learning experience in place of in person learning if:

- Medical documentation is provided demonstrating that it is necessary for the student.
- The student experiences an extended illness during the school year.
- The parents fear having the child return to school due to other circumstances.
- Family agrees to keep the child home through the first grading period and understands that the child will receive grades for the work completed.
- Family guarantees Internet access, or secures access through the District for the student's use.
- Family understands that most students will require adult support and direction at times throughout the remote learning day.

Alternative to In-Person Learning - Remote Learning

Remote learning will consist of a 5 hour clock day, per ISBE guidelines.

- All instruction will be conducted by District 72 teachers.
- Aligned curriculum and assessments with that of in-person programming.
- Staff assigned to remote learning will conduct their instruction in district and maximize the use of live instruction utilizing available platforms.
- Students may participate in live streaming subject matter and activities with their in-person learning peers via webcams in the classroom.
- English Language Learning and IEP services will be provided.
- Parents or guardians enrolling their children in remote learning are asked to make a commitment (First quarter in grades 5-8 or first trimester in grades K-4) before seeking to return to an in-person school setting.



Bus Transportation

Fairview families are being encouraged to drive their students to school during the 2020-2021 school year. If that is not possible, the following details apply to Fairview transportation:

- o Buses will run regular routes.
- Children from the same household will be seated together.
- Windows of the bus will be open, when weather permits, to keep air flow moving.
- A maximum of 50 people will be maintained on each route.
- Passengers and adults must wear face coverings on the bus.
- There will not be an early morning music run or late bus for after school activities.



Extracurriculars

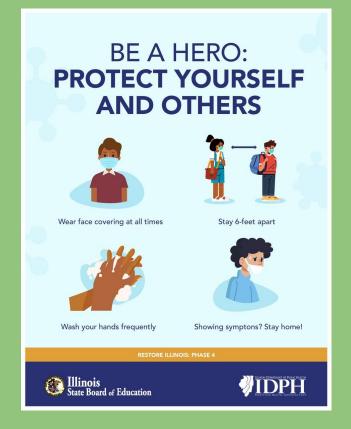
- No field trips
- No Fall athletics
- Remote offerings of clubs and athletics will be considered
- 6th Grade Camp Timberlee trip cancelled

*If Illinois moves into Phase 5 of the Restore Illinois Plan, these activities will be revisited at that time.



Health & Safety Measures

- Wear a face covering at all times
- 2. Stay 6 feet apart
- 3. Wash your hands frequently
- 4. Showing symptoms? Stay home!





Physical Space/Social Distancing

- Use of multiple entrances when possible Students entering school nearest their classrooms.
- Floor markings Used inside and outside school as visual reminder for distancing.
- Use of large space / outdoor space Movement breaks will be scheduled in classrooms, outside in designated areas, or in large rooms in the building (Gym, LC, Cafeteria) based on weather and availability.
- Remote meetings Meetings will be held virtually, when possible



PPE & Hygiene Protocols

- Face coverings Required for everyone in the building at all times except when eating / drinking. A physician's note will be needed for students / staff who cannot wear a face covering.
- Hand washing Will be on a schedule such as when entering school, leaving school, before eating, and after eating.
- Bathroom monitors Staff will ensure one person in bathroom at a time.
- Hand sanitizer Sanitizer stations at all entrances and in / near all classrooms.
- Water fountains Water bottle filling only.



<u>Classroom Arrangements</u>

- Classroom furniture will be arranged to maximize social distancing. Excess furniture will be removed.
- All furniture will be arranged facing one direction.
- Plexiglass desk shields will be available in classrooms with table seating.
- Snack break will be scheduled with appropriate hygiene measures followed.
- Windows will be opened when possible.
- Movement breaks will be incorporated throughout the day.



Cleaning & Disinfecting Protocols

- Deep cleaning Nightly
- High touch surfaces Frequent cleaning of door knobs, railings, etc. throughout the day.
- EPA approved disinfectants Soap and water to be used when disinfectants should not be used, such as on children's toys.
- Cleaning protocols Will be in place including protocols for cleaning when students or staff members become ill.



Health Screening/Monitoring

Screening before entering school

Staff and students to take temperatures and report symptoms on a digital form at home before coming to school.

Monitoring student attendance patterns

Intensified systems for tracking and reporting illness to be implemented.

Limiting visitors to the building

All volunteers will be required participate in health screening, follow health and safety guidelines, and adhere to strict protocols. Other visitors to be restricted.



Responding to Illness

- Individuals who test positive for COVID-19 Will follow CDC guidelines for returning to school/work.
- Students and Staff exposed to COVID-19 Individuals in close contact should isolate at home and monitor for symptoms for 14 days. Individuals who did not have close contact can return to school immediately after disinfection. Close contact is defined as within 6 feet of the individual for more than 15 minutes.
- When students / staff show symptoms at school Supervised quarantine space for students/staff who are experiencing COVID-19-like symptoms and may be awaiting evaluation and/or pickup.



We need your help!

Please help us keep everyone safe by:

- Reviewing and reinforcing school safety guidelines
- Adhering to safety guidelines at home and within the community
- Consider quarantining if you travel outside of Illinois to a "hot spot" state for 14 -days prior to sending your child to school
- Informing school officials of student and/or family illness
- Closed campus
- Only faculty, staff, administrators, and volunteers will be allowed in the building.

 Procedures will be communicated regarding drop off of any items by the principals.



Questions...

Superintendent Whittaker and the administrative team will respond to questions submitted by parents.

If for any reason a follow-up is necessary a member of the team will contact you directly in the future.



Contact us...

If you have any questions or concerns about the information provided, please contact us. We are happy to have a personal conversation with you, so that questions specific to your family can be answered.

- Superintendent Cindy Whittaker, <u>cwhittaker@fairview.k12.il.us</u>
- Jeff Feyerer, Asst. Superintendent/CSBO <u>jfeyerer@fairview.k12.il.us</u>
- Mike Lopatka, Middle School Principal (Grades 5-8)
- Colleen Larkin, Primary Principal (Grades K-4)
- Patrick Healy, Technology Director