



# Washington County Schools

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## 2020-2021 Washington County Schools Parent Choice Model

“Designed for fluid, uninterrupted instruction and to minimize illness outbreaks.”

While our preferred model of instructional delivery is a traditional educational environment, we anticipate continued public health restrictions when school resumes in the fall. Our intent is to provide in-person instruction to the greatest extent possible, while also taking prudent steps to keep our students, staff, and community safe and adhering to any applicable public health orders. We also understand that some students may prefer a remote learning environment or that a COVID-19 surge may require us to revert to NTI for temporary periods. For that, we have created two choices for parents: In-Person Learning and Remote Learning. If the Governor’s Office, KDE, the Centers for Disease Control, and Lincoln Trail Health Department recommend different options, we will revisit this model. We feel that this model will allow parents a flexible yet sustainable model to follow.

### Choice 1: Parents decide to send their student to school for direct, In-Person Learning.

Format	Social distancing guidelines will be utilized. Students will wear a mask and remain as socially distant as possible throughout the day.	
Safety Precautions	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Parents should take their child’s temperature before they leave the home.</li> <li>2. Bus riders, car riders and walkers will all be temperature scanned by school staff upon entering the school.</li> <li>3. All students and staff will wash hands or use hand sanitizer frequently throughout the day.</li> <li>4. Temperature checks will occur daily with 100.4 being the baseline to be sent home.</li> <li>5. K-5 students will stay self-contained with some accessibility to related arts classes.</li> <li>6. The amount of time students spend in the hallways and common areas will be limited.</li> <li>7. Students in grades 1<sup>st</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> will be required to wear a mask when social distancing is not possible.</li> <li>8. Mask wearing is required when boarding and riding the bus.</li> <li>9. Mask wearing is required in the hallways.</li> <li>10. Schools may add directional hallway traffic markings on the floor and/or stairwells.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>11. Hand sanitizer stations will be placed throughout the school.</li> <li>12. All staff will wear masks when working directly with students.</li> <li>13. Common area usage will follow colored tier system.</li> <li>14. Playground time will be provided on a scheduled basis.</li> <li>15. COVID-19 Tier System will be used to decide classroom, grade level, and school closings. (refer to Healthy-at-School attachment).</li> <li>16. School nurse will have procedures in place to work with students that exhibit COVID-19 symptoms in a separate area away from the Nurse’s Office.</li> </ol>

Transportation	Parents may choose to drop off and pick up their student at school to help ensure social distancing. Students 1 <sup>st</sup> grade and above are required to wear a mask at all times on the bus. Parents should take their child's temperature prior to them boarding a bus. Any student exhibiting a 100.4 or higher temperature should not be sent to school. Students will have an assigned seat on the bus.
Feeding Program	An alternating classroom/cafeteria schedule will be used as needed.
Notes	<p>If a parent decides to begin the school year using In-Person Instruction, there may be times throughout the year where it is decided that there needs to be an intermittent classroom, grade level or school building closures where students will stay home and take part in the NTI Program.</p> <p>It is the parent's responsibility to notify the school of any medical conditions that exempt a child from wearing a mask.</p>

### Choice 2: Parents decide to keep student home for interactive, Remote Learning.

Format	Students will access online classes. Remote instruction will be provided through a combination of online programming and teacher interactions.
Expectations	Students should check email daily and complete lessons in a timely manner.
Materials	Families choosing Remote Learning should have a high-quality internet connection. The school will not provide devices to all students; however, the district will provide devices for check out upon parent request. Cell phones will not be an appropriate device for Remote Learning.
Contract	Student and parent must sign the Remote Learning contract. (refer to Remote Learning contract). Items in contract include expectations, attendance policy, etc.
Feeding Program	Parents may choose to pick up school meals for students enrolled in Remote Learning.
Note	If Remote Learning is initially selected, the student will remain in Remote Learning until the nine-week grading term ends.