



## 2020-2021 Turner Public School District's COVID-19 Procedures and Return to School Plan

During the spring of 2020, COVID-19 broke out in the United States and in Oklahoma. The Oklahoma State Department of Education closed schools for the remainder of the school term. During this time of closure, districts were to maintain contact with their students via distance learning. We are now in the planning phase for the reintroduction of onsite and offsite school for 2020-2021 school year.

In preparing for the 2020-2021 school year, consideration will be taken in academics, family, school personnel, and school operations. Turner School District will consult and work with the Love County Health Department.

To effectively communicate with parents, we will utilize our school website, social media, the Turner One Call system and email.

**Daily Screening:** Parents are required to take their child's temperature before sending them to school each day. Staff will also be required to complete daily temperature checks. Any individual with a temperature above 99.5 degrees will not be allowed to attend school. Attendance at school will confirm that no fever is present. If a student or staff member is at school and exhibits a fever, they will be sent home.

**Isolation Procedure:** If a student is at school and exhibits a fever and/or other COVID-19 symptoms, they will be immediately isolated in a predetermined room. The parent will be contacted and the student will be sent home. The student will be identified in a form for necessary staff to communicate with health officials. Any student or staff member, who have been sent home due to a temperature above 99.5 degrees and/or other COVID-19 symptoms, will not be allowed back on campus until one of the following has occurred:

1. Individual has been fever free without medication for at least 48 hours and has a negative COVID-19 test
2. Individual has been fever free for at least 72 hours without medication, exhibits no symptoms, and has not been exposed to COVID-19

**Exposure to COVID-19 and/or a Positive COVID-19 Test:** According to the health department, a person who has been determined to have an effective contact with a COVID-19 infected person should stay home for 14 days from date of last contact with the COVID patient, if possible. However, if the contact remains free of symptoms up to day 10, their quarantine can end at that point. They should continue to monitor for symptoms and wear a face covering when around others until at least 14 days after last exposure. If the contact receives a negative test result from a sampling on day 5 after exposure or later, they

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can end quarantine on day 7. They should continue to monitor symptoms and wear a face covering when around others until at least 14 days after last exposure. If a person tests positive for COVID-19, they will have to isolate for 10 days. The individual will be part of contact tracing by the county health department. Such tracing will require whereabouts of individual in the school to be communicated to the health department. Parents of other students who have been in close contact with the individual who tested positive for COVID-19 will be contacted. Siblings of positive tested student may also be quarantined.

**School Closures due to COVID-19:** If the absentee rate of a site and/or district reaches 35%, the site and/or district will go to distance learning for a minimum of 14 days with the count starting on the first day of distance learning. According to the health department, closures could be mandated for the entire district, a specific site, or a single classroom.

**Learning Plans:** Turner Public Schools will offer the potential for two different learning plans in order to meet the educational needs of our students. We strongly encourage students to follow the Traditional Learning Plan for the best possible learning experience.

1. Traditional Learning Plan

1. School starts in a traditional manner on August 12
2. All courses/classes taken at regularly assigned school site
3. In-person instruction with a traditional academic school day
4. Multiple health and safety measures implemented at each site
5. Increased utilization of technology in order to be flexible and retain the ability to adapt should state officials determine there is a need to do so
6. Attendance will be taken daily per district policy

*a. Distance Learning*

Learning plan for traditional students who are unable to attend school due to COVID-19 related issues or illness. Offerings can include virtual online instruction, as well as the use of packets

2. Virtual Learning Plan

1. Offsite/Virtual Learning will start on August 12
2. 100% online learning
3. Participation in extra-curricular activities will not be allowed.
4. Attendance will be taken per district policy. (see below)
5. Students enrolled in virtually learning have until August 18, 2020 to switch to traditional learning. After this date, student will be required to remain in virtual learning until the end of the first semester.

***\*Turner Attendance Policy for Virtual Learning:*** A student will not be considered absent from school if:

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1. They are not physically present at school but are completing work in a distance learning program or virtual online program approved by the school district and are meeting the following attendance requirements:
  - a. The student has completed instructional activities for no less than ninety (90%) of the time that services were provided in a virtual or distance learning format. Instructional activities may include online logins to curriculum or programs, offline activities, completed assignments, testing, face-to-face communications or meetings with school personnel via teleconference, videoconference, email, text, or phone.
  - b. The student is on pace for on-time completion of the course as required by the school district.
  - c. The student has completed instructional activities within the time that services were provided in a virtual or distance learning format during the academic year
2. They have a medical condition that incapacitates the student and precludes them from participating in instruction in a traditional school setting and the student is able to progress in instruction via alternative education delivery methods approved by the local board of education.

**School Safety Procedures Related to COVID-19:** Turner Public Schools will be implementing new safety procedures on campus for the 2020-2021 school year. They include the following:

1. When in close contact with students and/or other staff members, facemasks will be encouraged for all staff.
2. Facemasks are encouraged but not required for students.
3. Shared items will either be removed or sanitized between each use. Staff will clean the desk areas and commonly touched surfaces multiple times throughout the day. Students will be encouraged to bring their own water bottle but water fountains will be made available. After the instructional day ends, all areas will be sanitized and cleaned.
4. Social distancing will be encouraged
5. Visitors will be restricted and screened before being allowed access to the building. All visitors will be encouraged to wear a mask.
6. Classroom seating charts for each period/class will be created and kept up-to-date.

### **Bus Requirements for Safety:**

1. Turner Public Schools will continue providing transportation for students, however we highly recommend alternate transportation for students if possible.
2. Airflow will be maximized by opening windows

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3. Seating charts are required
4. Buses will be thoroughly sanitized before and after each route.

**Technology:**

1. All Turner students will be assigned a Chromebook. This will allow access to content and learning opportunities to extend beyond the wall of our schools. All teachers will be assigned a laptop. Students will have access to online programs including Exact Path, Acellus, and Google Classroom.
2. Virtual instruction will be delivered using these programs.
3. Free Wi-Fi will be available to all Turner students from 6:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. The Wi-Fi will be accessible from the west parking lot in front of the auditorium and is under video surveillance. Connection instructions provided below:
  - Wi-Fi Name: TPSFalconAP
  - Wi-Fi Password: TPSFalcon1\$

**Athletics and Extracurricular Activities:** Athletics and extracurricular activities will be available for the 2020-2021 school year. Turner Public Schools will follow the guidance of the OSSAA and our local health department. Our ability to participate in these activities will depend on the status of COVID-19 within our community and recommendations made by the OSSAA and the local health department.

**Child Nutrition:** Grab and go meals provided over the summer were made possible by a federal waiver. The deadline for this particular waiver has passed and currently there is not another waiver available. At any time this could change. Currently, onsite meals will be served as normal and will only be served free of charge if you qualify for free lunches. Students who qualify for reduced lunches and those that pay full price will pay normal cost based on income. Offsite meals will be made available for parent pick up. Parents are responsible for contacting the school to request a meal and arranging to have it picked up. Again, meals will only be free to those who currently qualify for free lunches. Students who qualify for reduced lunches and those that pay full price will pay normal cost based on income.

**Social Emotional Well Being of Students and Staff:** The social and emotional well-being of our students and staff is very important and we will make every effort to provide support during these difficult times. The school counselor will be available to offsite and onsite students daily.

\*Some details in this plan are subjective to change based on constantly changing information and guidelines released by our local health department, the state department of education, and OSSAA.

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