

Washington Caldwell School District

2020-2021

Re-entering School Plan

*Subject to change and will be updated regularly

Goals

Safety: The health, safety, and well-being of our students and staff is our priority. The District will implement Risk Reduction Measures but schools will not be completely safe from transmission due to community transmission.

Flexibility: This is an ever-changing situation and all stakeholders need to be ready for modifications to plans.

Learning: Meeting the needs of every student is our priority. Plans will focus on returning to traditional classroom learning with modifications for safety. Distance learning will be an option for when traditional learning cannot occur. At this time, there are no plans for hybrid learning.

Hygiene Practice for All

Wash hands frequently with soap and water for at least 20 seconds or use hand sanitizer, especially after eating, using the bathroom, and touching frequently used items or surfaces.

Avoid touching your face.

Avoid touching others.

Sneeze or cough into a tissue or use the inside of your elbow.

Staff to disinfect frequently used items and surfaces as much as possible throughout the day.

Instruction

Return to the Classroom

This is our Goal.

Schedule

Modifications may be made within the school day. Start and end times will remain the same - 8:30 AM - 3:40 PM.

Social Emotional

Help students and staff handle their emotions and feelings.

Attendance

Students will be expected to attend school as normal except when ill. Parents will communicate with the school to plan for learning.

Grading

Return to regular grading system as in past years.

Alternatives

Students and families who are not comfortable returning will be able to learn through a virtual option led by Washington Caldwell staff.

Instructional Models

Shifting from in person and distance learning models may be necessary depending on direction from the health department.

Devices and Access

Students will use district devices. Internet access will be needed at home if distance learning occurs.

Distance Learning

May be used for short-term or long-term needs as determined by COVID-19 cases.

Physical Space

Physical Barriers

Possible Plexiglass at Vestibule Window and Office Window. It will be used in the kitchen as well.

Reminders

Announcements will be utilized. Physical distancing stickers on floor. Posters displayed for Personal Hygiene.

Sanitizer Stations

All classrooms currently have sanitizer stations and there will be added sanitation stations to entry ways.

Isolation Space

Creation of space (clean room and sick room).

Drinking Water

Two water bottle filling stations.
Regular water fountains will not be used.

Communal Spaces

Reduce the use and/or increase physical spacing.
Recess times will be spread out/staggered.
Additional lunch times.
Minimize hallway traffic.
One direction traffic option.

Classrooms

Removal of furniture and reconfiguring spaces.
Desks 6' apart.
Lockers and coat hooks used in rotating system to assist with social distancing.

Cleaning

Increased daily/ situational cleaning and disinfecting of high-contact areas - desks, doors, counters, bathrooms, lunch tables, etc.

Daily Operations

Visitors

Limit non-essential visitors in the building.
Parents are welcome to do business at the office.

Health Checks

Student temperatures will be checked if appearing ill or complain of symptoms.

Arrival

Car Riders will go straight to classrooms.
Bus students will enter in a staggered format.

Dismissal

Bus students will exit in a staggered format.
There will be a new system where parents will wait in cars at end of day.

Communication

Weekly updates via website, messaging systems, and social media

Cohorts

Grade levels housed in homerooms with less movement around the building. Specialists will travel to classrooms most of the time.

Face Coverings

Face Coverings will be required throughout the school day. (guidelines from CDC and Central Racine County Health Department).

Field Trips

Field trips will not be scheduled at this time.

Group Events

No large group gatherings where physical distancing cannot take place. We will provide alternatives to presenting performances to families.

Transportation

Capacity

Assigned seats will be maintained. Families will sit together on the bus.

Face Coverings

Bus drivers and students are required to wear face coverings on all bus routes.

Health and Safety

Hand Sanitizer stations will be on buses.

Windows will be open on buses whenever possible for air circulation.

Buses will be sanitized after morning and evening routes.

Self Transport

Parents who are planning on self-transporting are encouraged to let school know so that bus routes can be modified.

Arrival and Dismissal

Modifications on doors students use may occur in order to stagger these busy times.

We may have a different plan for parent pick up at end of day.

After School Activities

YMCA Care

We are working with YMCA to create a schedule similar as in past with risk reduction measures in place.

Middle School Sports

We are still working on plans for sports..

After School Clubs

We are still working on plans for after school clubs.

Outside Groups using our Facilities

We are still working on plans for outside groups.

INSTRUCTIONAL MODELS

The district's preference is traditional in-person classroom learning in a healthy environment with an emphasis on health, safety, and self care.

- In Person - In Person Instruction reflects a “traditional” learning platform with in-school, instruction. The district's goal is to maintain in-person instruction five days a week.
- Virtual, Online Instruction - reflects a platform that may be implemented during either a temporary or a sustained mandated closure of the building. In addition, some parents may choose a virtual option for their students based upon personal circumstances while others are doing in person learning.

IN PERSON INSTRUCTIONAL MODEL

- **Daily Schedule**

- Five days a week
- Regular start and end times

- **Increased Technology Resources**

- Enhances the student learning experience
- Ipads now available for 4K-2nd grade (currently Ipads are used in Grade 3-5 and Chromebooks in 6th-8th grade) - creates seamless transition to online if required.
- All teachers will have Google Classroom presence to facilitate learning

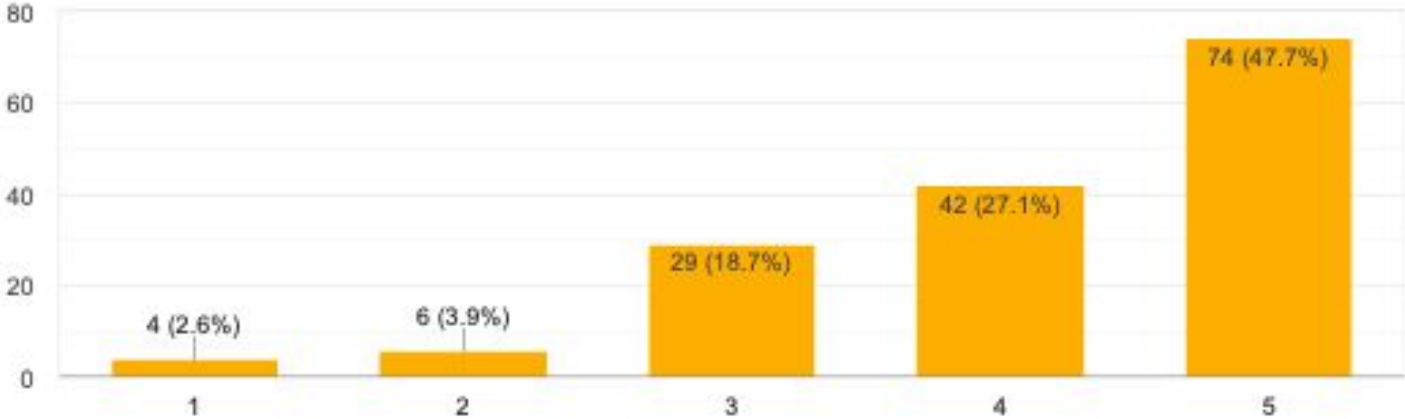
- **Flexibility**

- Teachers will be ready to livestream/record class lessons for students who are not returning to in person or need to stay home for period of time.

Early July Parent Survey

If Central Racine County Health Department and/or the State of Wisconsin Health Department determine it is safe to allow schools to open for the 2020-2021 school year, what is your comfort level in sending your child(ren) to school in the fall?

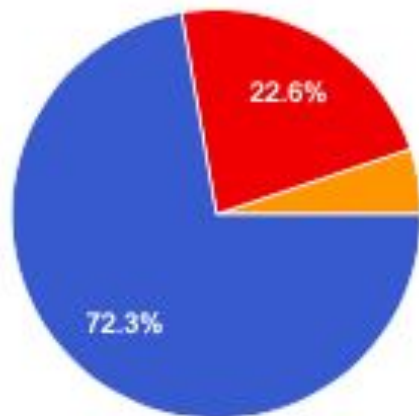
155 responses



Early July Parent Survey

Given the current circumstances of the COVID-19 pandemic, what type of educational programming do you think would be most appropriate for students in the fall?

155 responses

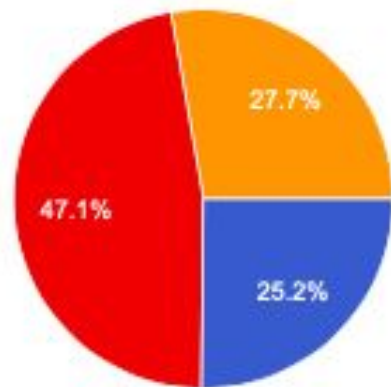


- Full day, in-person learning program that includes safety measures as recommended by local health officials.
- Blended model where students return to school, but on a modified schedule with a balance of online and face-to-face instruction.
- Full virtual instruction. Students receive all instruction virtually with updates to the Spring learning structure.

Early July Parent Survey

If we were to resume instruction using a blended model, please indicate which blended learning model you would prefer for your child.

155 responses

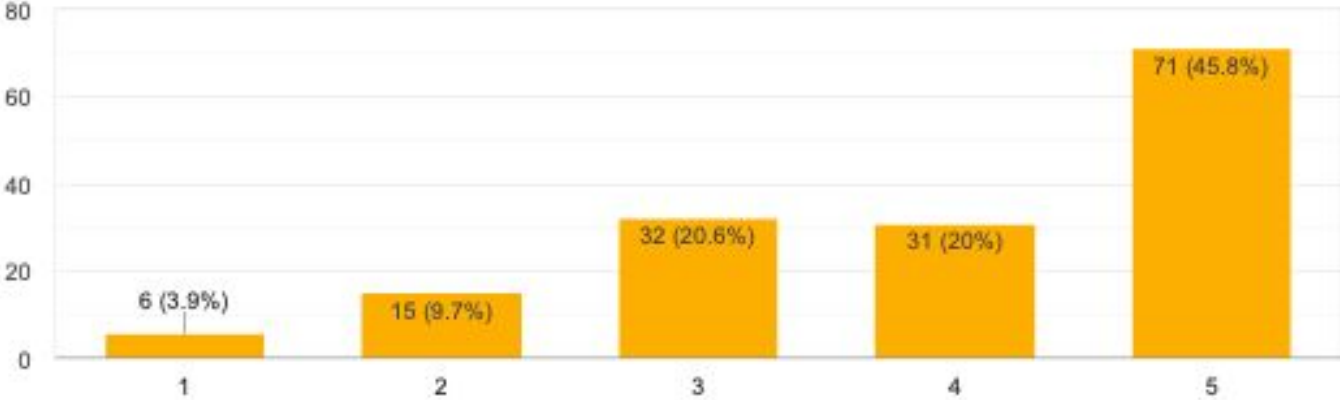


- Alternating weeks: Students would come to school one week for face-to-face class and be at home and participate in online learning during the next week.
- Alternating days: Example - A class would break into two groups. One student group may come to school Monday and Tuesday and the other group on Thursday and Friday. Wednesdays may alternate between t...
- No preference

Early July Parent Survey

If your child rides the bus to school next year, what is your comfort level knowing that the district will be implementing disinfectant procedures, but may not be able to limit the number of students on the bus?

155 responses



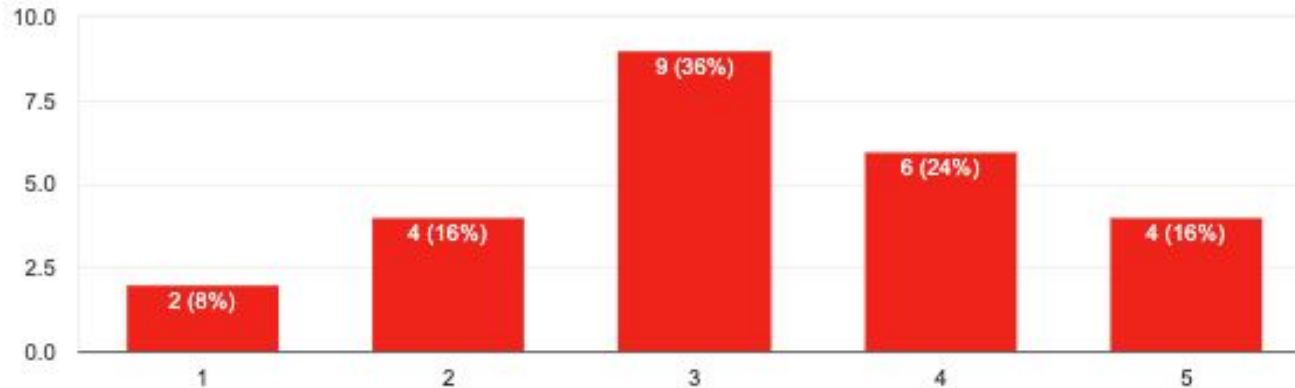
Staff Survey

Return to In-Person Instruction

July 10, 2020

How comfortable do you feel returning to the classroom/school in the fall?

25 responses



Staff Survey

Operational Precautions

July 10, 2020

Which of the following would make you feel more comfortable returning to work at school?

Hand Sanitizer Stations - 52%

Closing After School Activities - 52%

Scheduled Hand Washing Times - 56%

Limiting number of People in Building - 76%

Use of Face Shields - 52%

Use of Face Coverings - 64%

Nightly Deep Clean of Rooms - 88%

Staggering Lunch Times - 64%