



Safe Return to In-Person Instruction & Continuity of Services Plan

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Introduction

At Frontier Schools, our top priorities are the health and safety of our students and staff, as well as the academic and developmental growth of our students. For the 2022-2023 school year Frontier Schools will resume normal school operations. We have learned that COVID-19 can change rapidly and we will continue to update you promptly if any new, relevant information becomes available.

In response to the continued spread of COVID-19 in the communities which we proudly serve, Frontier Schools is announcing the Safe Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Services Plan for the start of the 2022-23 school year.

The purpose of this plan is to inform our parents and community about the re-entry process for students and staff. This plan may be updated throughout the school year as a result of guidance from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC).

Thank you to parents/guardians for providing feedback to us by submitting the end of the year parent survey. Based on the survey results, we will allow each family to choose whether to continue learning from home or return to campus for in-person learning for the 2022-2023 school year.

Families who choose at-home learning will have access to the same rigorous, academic environment that they have come to expect from their neighborhood Frontier campus, taught by teachers trained for educating and engaging students in a virtual environment.

Families who choose to send their students for in-person learning will find a safe and organized learning environment that they can feel comfortable sending their child to each day. This includes enhanced health and sanitary protocols, as well as possible adjustments to daily routines to help keep all of our students and team members as safe as possible.

All students will continue to receive the same full academic and support services from their teachers, counselors, and school leaders that they would receive on-campus, including our English-language learners and students receiving Special Education services.

We look forward to partnering with our families to help students continue to grow academically. We understand that any adjustments to the normal school environment or calendar may create unexpected challenges for some families. If you would like to discuss specific needs for your student or family that are not addressed in this plan, please contact your child's campus.

We appreciate our parents' support in helping to keep our schools a happy and healthy learning environment for our students. We will continue to update you promptly if any new, relevant information becomes available.

Instructional Delivery and Attendance

First and foremost, we want to offer parents a choice that works best for their family. Parents can choose in-person attendance or virtual learning for their children and families. Survey results have shown us that we need to have options whether students are physically in school buildings or at home. Based on the family preference, students will receive full in-person or virtual instruction for all five days of the week.

| Student/Parent Choice | | | | | |
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| | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
| Option 1 (Based on the family preference) | In-Person | In-Person | In-Person | In-Person | In-Person |
| Option 2 (Based on the family preference) | Virtual | Virtual | Virtual | Virtual | Virtual |

Option 1 - In-Person Instruction:

Students will physically attend the school. Instruction will take place at school in a traditional classroom environment. Frontier will institute a campus safety protocols for in-person instruction starts (See Health and Safety section).

We will closely monitor the conditions and continue to receive guidance from the CDC and/or the City of Kansas City. COVID-19 is highly contagious and parents opting to send their child back to school should be prepared for unplanned school closures deemed necessary by the CDC and/or the City of Kansas City. When this occurs, students will receive virtual or hybrid (mix of virtual and in-person) instruction with their classroom teacher(s) for a predetermined amount of time.

Students who will attend in-person on campus will receive high quality face-to-face instruction in a traditional setting by following all safety protocols.

Option 2 - Virtual Instruction:

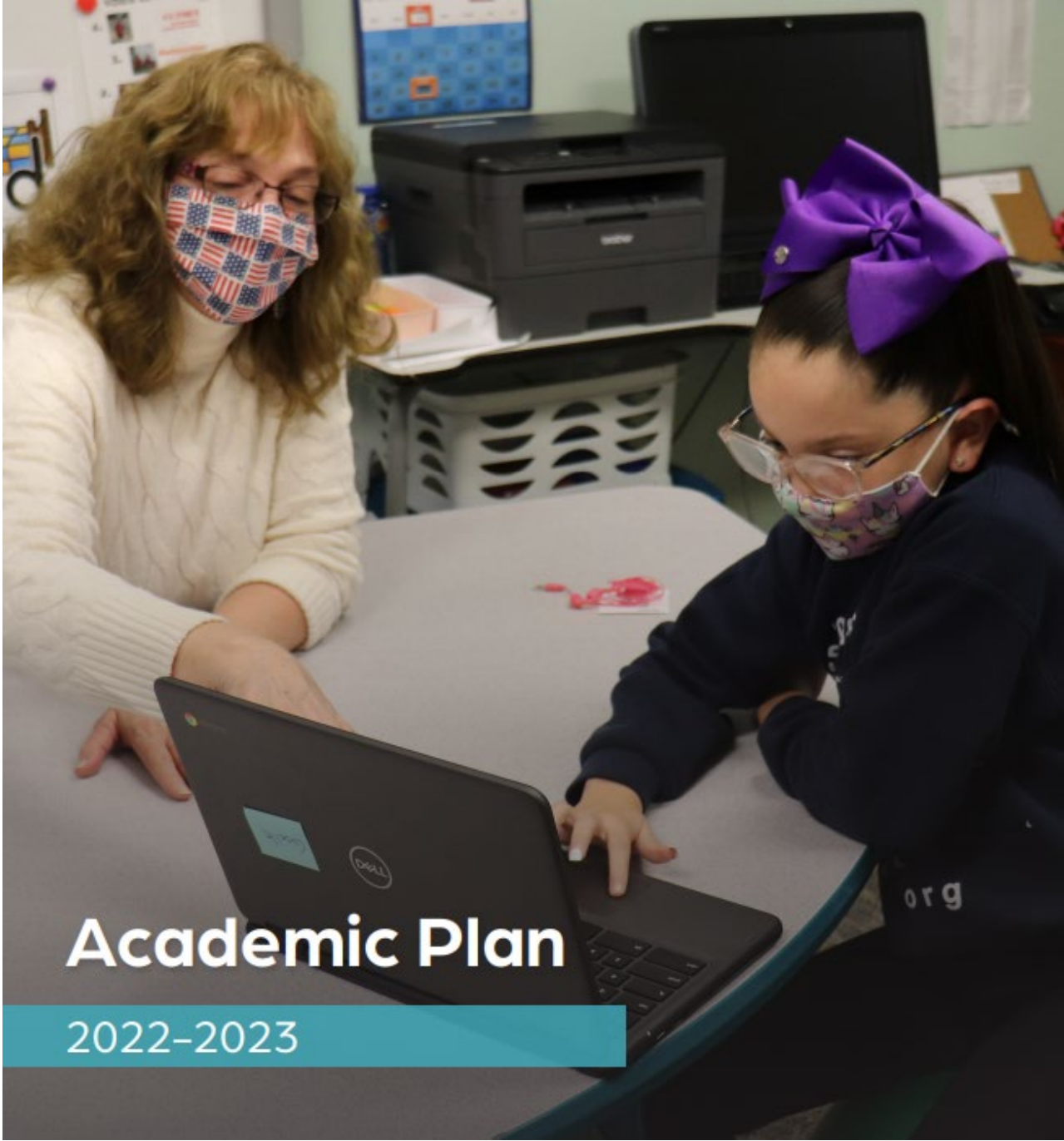
Students who were signed up by their parents for virtual learning will be assigned a device (Chromebook or iPad), and are expected to complete and pass their coursework in the Learning Management System by the end of the school year to be promoted to the next grade level. Frontier teachers, administrators, and support staff will constantly monitor students' course completion data. Each Frontier Schools campus administration may ask virtual students to attend in-person instruction to make up for learning loss based on the student's individual course completion data.

In order to provide quality and equitable education for all learners, we asked families to inform us now if they would like to select a virtual option for their student by August 17, 2022. To organize effective online classes that will ensure sufficient dedicated virtual learning time, Frontier Schools should be provided enough time for planning and scheduling. We asked our families to make at least one semester commitment to a virtual learning option to limit mid-year changes in learning modes.

Academic Plan

Frontier Schools Academic Department prepared an academic plan for school reopening. Please click on the link below to access the Frontier Schools Academic Plan 2022-2023.

[Frontier Schools Academic Plan 2022-2023](#)



Health and Safety Guidelines

To make sure our on-campus learning experience is as safe as possible for Frontier students and staff members, Frontier Schools will follow these guidelines for the safety and health of all staff and students.

Positive COVID-19 Test Results (Vaccinated and Unvaccinated)

Staff and students must isolate for five (5) days after testing positive.

- If you had symptoms, day 0 is the date your symptoms started. Day 1 is the first full day after your symptoms developed. You can leave isolation after 5 full days.
- If you did not have symptoms, day 0 is the day you were tested. Day 1 is the first full day following the day you were tested.
- If after 5 days you are fever-free for 24 hours without the use of medication, and your symptoms are improving, or you never had symptoms, you may end isolation.
- Upon returning to work after 5 days, you must wear a high-quality mask through day ten (10).
- People with moderate symptoms – (if you experienced shortness of breath or had difficulty breathing) – and those with severe illness who were hospitalized should stay home for at least 10 days.
- It is recommended that people who had severe illness or have compromised immune systems should talk to their doctor before ending their isolation after an infection.

Exposure to COVID-19

- If you were exposed to COVID-19, wear a high-quality mask for 10 days and get tested on day 5.
- If you were exposed to COVID-19, and have no symptoms, neither vaccinated or unvaccinated persons do not need to quarantine. If symptoms develop, begin quarantine and get tested.

Masks

The CDC has provided a COVID-19 Community Level tool to help communities decide what prevention steps to take based on the latest data. Levels can be low, medium, or high and are determined by community transmission levels.

Cleaning and Hygiene

The cleaning service company has clear procedures for cleaning throughout the day and each evening. High-touch surfaces have been identified and ventilation systems reviewed to support healthy environments. Regular handwashing and the covering of coughs and sneezes will continue to be taught and reinforced to students. Hand sanitizer will be available throughout each building.

Symptom Monitoring

All staff and students should self-monitor for symptoms, such as fever, cough, sore throat, malaise, headache, muscle pain, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, loss of taste and smell. Individuals should contact their healthcare provider for further advice.

How to Protect Yourself and Others

Get Vaccinated and stay up to date on your COVID-19 vaccines

- COVID-19 vaccines and boosters are highly effective at preventing severe illness, hospitalizations, and death.
- Getting vaccinated is the best way to slow the spread of SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes

COVID-19.

- CDC recommends that everyone who is eligible stay up to date on their COVID-19 vaccines, including people with weakened immune systems.

Efforts to provide vaccinations to Educators, Staff, and Students

Frontier Schools has held several vaccination clinics to provide vaccines to educators, staff and students.

- Two vaccination clinics for staff were conducted in the Spring of 2021 with the collaboration of Truman Medical Center and area charter schools.
- A vaccine clinic for students, parents and community members ages 12 and up was held in June at Frontier STEM High School, by medical professionals from Truman Medical Center/University Health and Children's Mercy Hospital.
- A vaccine clinic with school transportation was offered to the student body in the Spring of 2021 as well.
- In November 2021, Frontier Schools hosted another vaccine clinic for students, parents and community members ages 5 and up with the Kansas City Health .
- Another vaccine and school immunization clinic will be hosted by Frontier Schools on August 15, 2022 with Kansas City Health Department.

Messages are sent to families by phone, websites and email informing them of the time and location, and type of vaccinations.

Vaccination

Vaccination is the leading public health prevention strategy to end the COVID-19 pandemic. Frontier Schools has promoted this practice and has had several vaccine clinics. Anyone 6 months or older may go to one of the following websites for vaccine information:

- www.vaccines.gov or
- www.childrensmercy.org/health-and-safety-resources/information-about-covid-19-novel-coronavirus/covid-19-vaccine-at-childrens-mercy/

Appropriate accommodations for children with disabilities with respect to the health and safety policies

All necessary medical and safety precautions will be followed. In addition to adhering to the district's health and safety policies for all children, Frontier will continue to adhere to any Individualized Health Care Plans for students with disabilities.

Public Announcement and Comments

Frontier Schools Safe Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Services Plan will be accessible on the district website at www.frontierschools.org and will be printed in hard copy when requested by parents and community members.

Parents, students and staff surveys were sent in May. The parent survey will stay open to receive continuous feedback from our parents as parents are always welcome to submit feedback to Campus Principals or the Director of Health, Safety and Conduct at Central Office.