Crockett County CCSD 2020-2021 Return to School Guidelines
Every Step Lion Pride

Crockett County CCSD continues to monitor the spread of COVID-19, while receiving regular updates and guidance from local, state and federal agencies. With so much uncertainty, we want to ensure our parents have some choice in the educational opportunities for their students.

Crockett County CCSD will offer both on-campus and virtual instruction during the 2020-2021 school year and parents will have the option to choose which model is best for their students. Below are an overview of the two learning models, or follow the links below for detailed information on the differences between on-campus and virtual instruction.

The primary parent or guardian of registered Crockett County CCSD students will need to complete a 2020-2021 School Year Commitment Form to indicate if their student(s) will participate in on-campus or virtual instruction for the first 6 weeks of the 2020-2021 school year. The commitment form is available at registration and needs to be completed by 11:59 p.m. on August 7.

Overview of On-Campus Instruction

- All students and staff will be screened for COVID-19 symptoms regularly and individuals who present with symptoms will be separated and sent home.

- The use of face coverings will be determined by health recommendations: Facemask will be classified as Required, or Optional. The disease activity level will be updated and communicated to families.

- Class size will depend on the number of students who choose to participate in on-campus instruction. Desks or tables will be socially distanced as much as instructionally possible.

- Student transitions may be staggered to limit the number of people in common areas (hallways, cafeterias, gyms, restrooms, etc.) at one time.

- Hand sanitizer will be readily available and thorough hand washing will be encouraged.
● Staff will limit the use of shared supplies when possible and have access to disinfectant wipes to sanitize high-touch and working surfaces, as well as shared objects.

● Students requiring transportation will sit no more than two students per seat and are required to wear a face covering while on the bus.

**Overview of Virtual Instruction**

● Based upon the guidance from the State, the virtual instruction option will require a higher level of rigor, workload and time commitment from the virtual learning that occurred in the spring of 2020.

● Virtual instruction will require support from caring adults at home and within the online classroom environment.

● Virtual instruction will follow the schedule of classes at the student’s home campus (secondary) or daily time expectations per content area (elementary).

● The virtual instruction schedule will require students to participate in asynchronous (online without real-time interaction) and synchronous (real-time) online learning.

● Each day, students will engage in daily lessons, activities and assignments in all classes in order to be marked present for the day.

● Grading for all virtual courses will follow the same grading policy as the courses in the on-campus model.

● Due to the rigor and participation expectations of virtual instruction, each student will need to pick up their school chromebook and have access to high-speed internet at home.

● Students who participate in virtual instruction may have access to "grab and go" meals.

**On-Campus Instruction**

*Crockett County CCSD is prepared to meet the needs of our students through on-campus instruction during the 2020-2021 school year. The District employs a full-time nurse at the district who is prepared to deliver evidence-based, high-quality medical care to students. Several enhanced health and safety protocols will be in place to help prevent the spread of COVID-19.*
These include:

- All students and staff will be screened for COVID-19 symptoms regularly and individuals who show symptoms will be separated and sent home.
  - Staff will be required to self-screen for COVID-19 symptoms prior to reporting to work each day.
  - Parents/guardians are expected to screen their students for COVID-19 symptoms each day prior to sending their student to school.
  - Teachers will monitor students and refer to the nurse if symptoms are present.

- The use of face coverings will be determined by health recommendations associated with three levels of community transmission: substantial, moderate and minimal.
  - All staff will wear face coverings during substantial and moderate transmission levels.
  - Students in 4th through 12th grade will wear face coverings during substantial and moderate transmission levels, including in the classroom.
  - Students in Pre-K through 2nd grade will wear face coverings in hallways, common areas (cafeteria, gym, restroom, etc.) and during arrival and dismissal during substantial and moderate transmission levels.
  - Students and staff may wear face coverings at any time, if desired.

- Class size will depend on the number of students who choose to participate in on-campus learning. Desks or tables will be socially distanced as much as instructionally possible.

- Student transitions will be staggered to limit the number of people in common areas (hallways, cafeterias, gyms, restrooms, etc.) at one time. Traffic patterns will be established to separate individuals to the greatest extent possible and signage will encourage social distancing.

- Hand sanitizer will be readily available and thorough hand washing will be encouraged. Staff will limit the use of shared supplies when possible and have access to disinfectant wipes to sanitize high-touch and working surfaces, as well as shared objects.
For a more detailed and comprehensive list of health and safety protocols, please review the Disease Mitigation Guidelines for Parents and Students.

For more information regarding positive COVID-19 cases, please review the Fall 2020 Guidance – Elementary or the Fall 2020 Guidance – Secondary.

**Virtual Instruction**

In Crockett County CCSD, our virtual option will require support from caring adults at home and within the online classroom environment. Activities are designed to ensure that students continue learning at the pace of the current Crockett County CCSD scope and sequence, as well as continue to develop a love of learning and gain appropriate academic and social-emotional skills. Through a well-developed virtual instruction model, students will continue to meet their goal of being future ready.

Classes within the virtual instruction option are created by Crockett County CCSD and follow the schedule of classes at the student's home campus (secondary) or daily time expectations per content area (elementary). We will ensure open lines of communication between teachers, students and parents. Based upon the guidance from the State, the level of rigor, workload, time commitment and timing of classes will be the primary differences from the virtual instruction that occurred in the spring of 2020.

Crockett County CCSD will structure our students’ virtual instruction schedule to require students to participate in asynchronous and synchronous learning. Asynchronous learning is a curricular experience where students engage in the learning materials on their own time, interacting intermittently with the teacher via the computer or other electronic devices. Synchronous learning is two-way, real-time, live instruction between teachers and students through the computer or other electronic devices.

Crockett County CCSD expectations for asynchronous (online without real-time interaction) virtual instruction:

- Complete asynchronous activities assigned each day.

- Students show proof of participation in daily virtual instruction by satisfactorily completing assigned activities to demonstrate evidence of student learning (i.e. video, picture or activities submitted as lessons and/or completing assignments). Please note, not all lessons must have an assignment, as there will be teacher discretion on the
number of assignments, as they follow the Crockett County CCSD grading guidelines.

- Students and parents will communicate with the teacher when needing additional assistance, tutoring, etc.

_Crockett County CCSD expectations for synchronous (real-time) virtual instruction classes:

- Students will participate in synchronous class activities as assigned.
- Students will follow the Crockett County CCSD dress code.
- Students are ready to learn.
- Workspace is designated for the student.
- Students will show their face on the screen to engage with the teacher virtually.
- Students will sign in to Zoom with their first name and last initial.
- Students will actively participate in the class.
- Students will follow the District Code of Conduct.

The virtual instruction option has numerous differences based on feedback received from parents, students and teachers. Students who receive supplemental services or are in different grades will find that their services are developmentally appropriate. Key aspects of Crockett County CCSD virtual instruction option include:

- An improvement upon quality and depth of the curriculum.
- Personalized learning opportunities.
- A mix of pre-recorded videos and real-time virtual lessons.
- Data-driven, personalized enrichment and intervention.
Some mandated related services, to be scheduled on an individual or small group basis, may also be offered on campus.

Virtual Instruction Staff

The goal is that all Crockett County CCSD teachers will have on-campus and virtual instruction during the 2020-2021 school year, based on student needs identified through the commitment forms.

All campus staff, including those teaching virtually, will be required to report to their campus each day. This provides equity for staff and ensures all teachers have access to District IT help and technology devices needed for virtual instruction. Additionally, all teachers will be cross trained in virtual instruction to ensure educational continuity if a campus has to pivot to full virtual instruction due to an outbreak.

Virtual Instruction Attendance

Crockett County CCSD students will be required to participate in daily learning activities and/or assignments. Completion of daily lessons, activities and assignments in all classes is necessary for students to be marked present for the day in virtual instruction. Students who do not participate in daily activities, lessons and any accompanying assignments by 4:00p.m. will be counted absent for the day.