

SAFE RETURN PLAN

The corona virus pandemic has created an evolving and challenging time in preparing for upcoming school year. Grandview School's greatest desire is to create a safe environment for students and staff. It is not certain what the next weeks hold, but we realize and accept the responsibility to communicate with stakeholders as early as possible to allow for their planning and decision-making. While we have made every effort to provide a decisive plan, we do realize that changes may be required in the future and we will update our community as changes occur. All areas of this plan are subject to individual student's needs. In addition, any area not specifically addressed in this plan will be left to the building administrator's discretion.

Communication with Parents and Community

All communication with parents and the community will be delivered via school web-site, Grandview School Facebook and telephone. Direct communication with administration and teachers through text and email will be used on a regular basis. Grandview School is committed to strong communication and responsive action. If you need assistance, you may reach out to Gary Wade, Superintendent, at garywade@grandviewschool.k12.ok.us.

Calendar

Grandview School will adhere to the regularly adopted school calendar with students reporting on August 11th. While most students would prefer to be on campus for face-to-face instruction, some may prefer or be required to not attend school for a variety of reasons. To accommodate all students, Grandview School will offer different learning options:

1. Traditional Classroom Instruction (Virtual Days may be included in this calendar based on local conditions.)
2. Full-time Virtual Learning at Home
 - There are qualifying conditions and guidelines that must be followed for option 2, so parents and students must contact the administration to apply.

School Cancellation or declaration of Virtual Day

As with previous years during the cold/flu season, Grandview School will monitor absence rates on a daily basis starting on August 11th. School may be moved to a virtual day in the event of a sudden spike in absences or a total percent of students who are absent.

Academics and Distance Learning

Building on the experiences of distance learning during the school closure last spring, Grandview School is ready to deliver instructions to students virtually or face to face. We know disruption during a public health crisis like COVID-19 is very likely. Although we can expect disruption during the school year, consistent lesson delivery from teacher to student will remain strong either through a more traditional face to face method or through virtual learning at home. All curriculums will directly align with the Oklahoma Academic Standards. Grandview School's curriculum will consist of Alpha Plus. Teachers will build packets according to the OSDE blueprints for academic learning.

To receive credit and attendance for the courses for this school year, students are expected to participate in class activities and complete the assignments with a passing grade.

If school has to be closed due to an outbreak of sickness and declared a virtual day, students will be given assignments through distance learning packets or web-based education platforms such as Google Classroom.

Packet distribution will be based on the number of days that school may be declared as Virtual Days. Teachers will contact parents accordingly.

Electronic Devices

Students who choose virtual learning at home may check out a school device if needed. This device is to be used for educational purposes only.

No deposit is required; however, damage of the device will be charged the same as a textbook that is checked out and damaged.

Devices will be checked out at the beginning of enrollment in the Virtual Academy.

On virtual learning days, those students who do not have access to internet connectivity may contact administration to make arrangements to use equipment in a designated safe area.

Attendance Policies

All students will take cumulative semester finals.

Attendance policies will be relaxed for cases involving COVID-19 to provide for additional absences and to encourage sick staff and students to remain at home.

Site committees will be in place to consider exceptions for medical absences related to COVID-19.

Student progress shall be monitored on a weekly basis by the supplemental online course provider. Attendance/participation in a supplemental online course shall be monitored in accordance with local district policy and determined by documented student/teacher/course interaction that may include, but is not limited to, online chats, emails, posting/submission of lessons. The student may be counted “present” or “in attendance” when the supplemental online course provider provides evidence of student/teacher/course interaction that demonstrates student progress toward learning objectives and demonstrates regular student engagement in course activity.

Supplemental online course providers shall make available to students, parents, and the school district reports that reflect daily attendance/participation, progress reports, and grades. Such attendance/participation reports, progress reports, and grades shall be provided on a weekly basis to parents and the school district via electronic format. The district will review progress reports and grades twice per year.

Screening Protocols

Temperature Screening – While many options for screening were considered, Grandview School has chosen to perform temperature checks on students arriving at school. Checks will be done upon entering the school building in the morning, or before loading a school bus at the pickup location.

Students will not be required to wear a mask when riding a school bus where social distancing is impossible. Students on bus routes will be seated with family members to provide as much protection as possible.

Do not send students to school sick, with a temperature of 100 degrees or more.

If a student is sent home with a temperature, parent should not send the student back until fever free for 24 hours (the student must be fever free without Tylenol, Motrin, or other medication).

The school may do random temperature checks throughout the day on an as needed basis.

Employees of Grandview School will be required to perform a self-screening each day prior to coming to school.

At-School Procedures for those with 100 degree or higher temperature

Any student or staff member who exhibits a fever of 100 degrees will be immediately sent home. After being sent home, student or staff member cannot return to school until one of the following criteria is met:

- WITHOUT COVID TESTING – student or staff member must not be present at school for 24 hours or provides the school with a doctor’s note releasing them to come back to school
 - AFTER TESTING NEGATIVE – student or staff member can return to physical school 24 hours of being fever free with no fever reducing medication or a doctor’s not releasing them back to school
 - AFTER TESTING POSITIVE –student or staff members may return when all three criteria are met:
 - a. At least 3 days (72 hours) have passed since recovery
 - b. You have improved in respiratory symptoms
 - c. At least 10 days have passed since symptoms first occurred.
1. Students/Staff in protocol and absent from school are not allowed to participate in or attend school activities.
 2. The student will become a distance learner at home until he/she can return to school.
 3. The student will be counted as present because distance learning will be provided.

A positive diagnosis does not necessarily mean shutting down a school site or the entire district. Working with health officials will mean completing contact tracing and possibly suggesting students be tested for the virus. Because of changing and uncertain conditions, students, parents, and staff should be prepared for transition to virtual learning at any time.

COVID-19 Screening

The school will not perform COVID testing.

The school will not require a COVID test for students or teachers to return to school.

COVID testing is greatly encouraged for anyone who has symptoms.

Social Distancing

Masks are strongly encouraged, but not required to be worn by students or staff.

Students will be limited to three people maximum in a restroom at a time.

Sneeze guards may be added to reception desks at each school and additional hand sanitizing stations will be added.

Building traffic will be reduced to help minimize outside exposure such as parents eating lunch with their child, birthday events, attending assemblies, guest speakers, etc.

*Quarantining Guidelines

Quarantine can end after Day 10 without testing and if no symptoms have been reported during daily monitoring, as long as no symptoms consistent with COVID develop, and the person wears a face covering in public until at least 14 days after exposure.

Quarantine can end after Day 7 if the individual has received a negative test and has not had symptoms during the quarantine period, as long as no symptoms consistent with COVID develop, and the person wears a face covering in public until at least 14 days after exposure.

The test may be a PCR or antigen detection test, but must be taken within 48 hours of the end of Day 7. Under no circumstances can quarantine be discontinued earlier than the end of Day 7. Grandview School must have a copy of the test.

When possible, classroom desks will be spaced apart, and student will not be placed in groups and desk shield may be provided for elementary classrooms.

School assemblies, pep-rallies, etc. will be minimized.

Hygiene Practices

Masks are encouraged, but not required to be worn by students or staff.

Extra hand-sanitizer, Clorox wipes and other sanitizing materials will be readily available. Frequent hand washing is requested of all school personnel and students.

Hygiene lessons will be added to daily curriculum (in the classroom, in building announcements, etc).

Students will not share supplies in the classroom.

72-hour quarantine period for items being returned that cannot be sanitized, such as library books.

School Meals

Students will have meals prepared daily. Scheduling and seating will be adjusted based on the building.

Cafeteria staff will serve everyone from the serving line.

Condiments will be provided in packets instead of common-use areas.

In the event a virtual day is declared, meals will be served as a Grab-n-Go at two locations.

Transportation

Parents are encouraged to bring their child(ren) to school. Transportation provided by the district is a privilege.

We encourage parents to check their temperature prior to sending them to the bus stop.

If temperature checks during bus routes are determined to be necessary, students that are running a temperature over 100 degrees will not be allowed on the bus.

Buses will be sanitized daily.

Extra-Curricular Activities/Gatherings/Field Trips

Extra sanitizing of facilities will occur.

Please understand cancellations and rescheduling of events is highly probable.

Field trips will be limited, but still considered on a case-by-case basis in smaller groups.

Students who are virtually enrolled will have the opportunity to participate in extracurricular activities as long as they have met the requirements listed below:

- Grandview School will allow virtual students to participate in extracurricular activities, as long as they attend at least one class period on campus each day. This period can be the class for the co-curricular or extra-curricular activity (such as athletics) if it is part of the school day.

This plan is designed to help everyone plan for the start of school. This is an ever changing landscape that is new to us all. Current conditions of local and state events may necessitate a change of this policy at a moment's notice. Please contact the superintendent's office with any questions.