



GILPIN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1

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Home of the Eagles!

September 17, 2020

Dear Gilpin School Community,

The GCSD Board of Education approved the re-introduction of the ***In-person Learning Program*** in grades Preschool through 12 to begin at 8 a.m. on September 21, 2020. All four of the following learning program choice options will be available to parents and students on September 21:

- ***In-person Learning Program*** in the school building 4 days a week, Monday through Thursday, from 8 a.m to 4 p.m.
- ***Hybrid Learning Program*** is a combination of remote distance learning and in-person in the school building one (25/75%), two (50/50%), or three (75/25%) days a week.
- ***Remote Distance Learning Program*** with Gilpin teachers 4 days a week Monday through Thursday.
- ***Gilpin Online Learning Program*** offered through the school year. Fall semester CDLS enrollment is closed. However, Edmentum is still open for enrollment in grades 6-12.

Nose and Mouth Covering: All school staff, students, and parents are required to wear a nose and mouth covering whenever possible and, for students, when age and developmentally appropriate, during the school day and anytime when present in the building. Staff and students are expected to provide their own cloth nose and mouth covering, for example, a mask, bandana, or scarf. Patients with a pre-existing respiratory condition will be exempt with a doctor's note.

Route Buses: On September 21, route busses will begin morning pick-up and afternoon drop-off Monday through Thursday. Riders must wear a nose and mouth cover. One student in each seat. However, students from the same household may sit together in the same seat. ***To reduce bus rider capacity and maintain social distancing, parents who are able to provide family transportation for your child(ren) to and from school if you choose in-person for one or more days would be very helpful.***

Student Drop-off and Pick-up by Parents: Parents will drop-off and pick-up their child(ren) at exterior doors. To limit the exposure of students to nonessential adults in the school building, building entry by parents will be restricted.

Food Service: Breakfast and lunch will be served at school Monday through Thursday, pre-packaged and bagged, in classrooms. Elementary parents and MS/HS parents or students will need to order their meals for in-person learning by Wednesday at Noon for the next week. For placing orders information and the weekly menu, click the link. ***Students may still bring snacks, breakfast, and lunch from home to school everyday.*** When parents choose remote distance learning from 1 up to 4 school days, meals will still be delivered to the pre-established meal delivery locations.



Personal Health Responsibility: Staff members and students/parents should self-screen every morning before boarding the bus or driving to school by checking temperature and identifying the presence of COVID-19 symptoms. ***Staff and students are to stay home if they or a member of the same household are experiencing symptoms.*** Staff and student temperature and symptom checks will be performed at school each morning upon arrival. Students with a temperature above 100F or with a COVID-19 symptom will be sent to the Med Room for further assessment. Parents will be contacted for pick-up when their child is sent home from school.

The symptom questions:

- Temperature over 100° F?
- New or unexplained persistent dry cough?
- Shortness of breath/difficulty breathing?
- Chills?
- Muscle pain?
- Headache?
- Sore throat?
- Nausea or vomiting?
- Diarrhea?
- Running nose or congestion?
- Loss of taste or smell?

Here is the link to the [REVISED School Restart Plan 9.3.2020](#). The [Reopening Schools Guidance](#) protocols and guidelines may not be met with 100% consistency at all times. These guidelines will be followed to the best of our ability and, whenever feasible, and, for younger children, when age and developmentally appropriate.

The [REVISED School Restart Plan 9.3.2020](#) has been revised twice and will be revised again as the principals collaborate with staff and protocols are adjusted.

The District will also follow the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment guidance in [Cases and outbreaks in child care and schools](#).

The principals are responsible for the administration and implementation of the four aforementioned teaching and learning programs. Parent with questions, comments, and feedback about teaching and learning and COVID-19 protocols may contact your principal: hhuntoon@gilpin.k12.co.us or adonaldson@gilpin.k12.co.us

Thank you for your understanding as we prepare the next iteration of teaching and learning with the re-introduction of the ***In-person Learning Program*** in grades Preschool through 12 to begin at 8 a.m. on September 21, 2020.

Sincerely,

David S. MacKenzie, Ph.D.
Superintendent