



## **Cory-Rawson Local Schools**

August 12, 2020

Heath Huffman, Superintendent

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## **Cory-Rawson Local Schools 2020-2021 Academic Year**

Good Evening,

During a special meeting conducted on Tuesday, August 11, 2020 the Cory-Rawson Board of Education voted to unanimously approve the Hancock County/Findlay City Schools Common Reopening Agreement for the 2020-2021 school year as presented. This document has not changed since last shared via a newsletter, but is attached below for additional review. The approval of this agreement represents our district's desire to offer a quality education to our students in a healthy environment for all. The tenets of the agreement were created collaboratively with input from all of the school districts in Hancock County, The Hancock County Educational Service Center, Blanchard Valley Center, and Hancock Public Health. Some may wonder how an agreement can fairly represent all of these entities, big and small, rural and city. Simply stated maintaining good health during these trying times is promoted by following the same steps regardless of whether you are a Hornet, Panther, Falcon, or Black Knight. Social distancing, hand hygiene, facial coverings, and cleaning & sanitizing of high touch surfaces are critical steps to promote good health. Beyond these common components, the agreement does offer each district some flexibility. One area of flexibility, for instance, is the creation of a hybrid instructional model (a combination of face-to-face instruction and remote learning). As you will read, in reference to instructional models Hancock Public Health offers the following recommendations based on Ohio's Public Advisory System:

- Level 1 (Yellow)-Traditional Face-to-Face Instruction Five Days a Week
- Level 2 (Orange)-Hybrid Instructional Model-Each district will develop a hybrid model in a way that reduces the capacity of people in each building. Not all schools will utilize the same hybrid option.
- Levels 3 & 4 (Red & Purple)-Remote Learning

With this in mind, Cory-Rawson Local Schools will develop a hybrid model as soon as possible based on the unique facets of our district. This model will be crafted with input from parents, district residents, staff members, administrators, the Cory-Rawson Healthy Restart Committee, and the board of education. A survey completed earlier this summer by 222 district residents indicated, for example, that many preferred students attend school 2-3 full days a week if a hybrid model had to be implemented. This option was favored over a hybrid model of students attending a half-day everyday according to survey results.

Also attached below is a copy of the Cory-Rawson School District's Healthy Restart Plan. Currently, this document briefly summarizes and expands on some of the topics covered within the common agreement.

This continues to be an extremely difficult time for all those connected to school districts in our county, state, and nation. The Cory-Rawson Board of Education and the Cory-Rawson Local School District are committed to offering a quality education to students in a healthy environment for all district stakeholders. As always if you have any questions please contact me ([huffman@cory-rawson.org](mailto:huffman@cory-rawson.org) or 419.963.3415) or any member of the Cory-Rawson Board of Education:

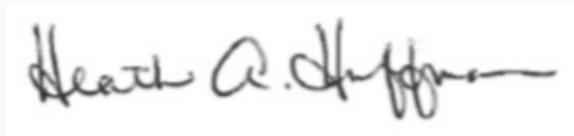
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[Click Here to Access The Cory-Rawson Local Schools Healthy Restart Plan](#)

[Click Here to Access The Hancock County/Findlay City Schools Common Reopening Agreement](#)

## Cory-Rawson Virtual Learning Academy

As Cory-Rawson Local Schools prepare for the opening of the 2020-21 school year, it is important for all individuals to be aware that some level of risk will continuously be present when students and school employees use district facilities. With this in mind, some families may prefer to educate their son(s)/daughter(s) completely online for the 2020-2021 school year. This will be an option for students in the Cory-Rawson Local School District through the Cory-Rawson Virtual Learning Academy. Under this option, students would be enrolled in online classes that may/may not be instructed by Cory-Rawson staff members. Course lessons and assignments will be based on electronic courses created by the Jefferson County Virtual Learning Academy and will differ from those of students physically attending school and/or who may not be attending school in our buildings due to short-term closures. Curriculum would be aligned to state standards and be as rigorous as curriculum offered "at school."

- Students educated under this option would still be Hornets and have an opportunity to participate in extracurricular activities if other requirements are met (athletic eligibility, for instance).
- Students participating in the complete online option would be eligible to "physically" return to school at the end of a grading period. It is understood, however, certain circumstances may lead to a change in educational delivery at other times. Nevertheless, the goal when making changes to the instructional delivery models would occur in a way to promote consistency and learning.

The link below allows those families choosing the Cory-Rawson Virtual Learning Academy to declare that intention at this time. If you are unable to access the form or have additional questions related to the Cory-Rawson Virtual Learning Academy please contact Mr. Thiel, Cory-Rawson Elementary Principal ([thiel@cory-rawson.org](mailto:thiel@cory-rawson.org) or 419.963.3415 ext. 1020) or Mrs. Gaietto, Cory-Rawson High School Principal ([gaietto@cory-rawson.org](mailto:gaietto@cory-rawson.org) or 419.963.3415 ext. 1030).

[Click Here to Enroll Your Child in Cory-Rawson Virtual Learning Academy](#)

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