



Cory-Rawson Local Schools
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Heath Huffman, Superintendent



Cory-Rawson Local Schools
2020-2021 Academic Year
Transportation Update

Good Evening,

As our district continues to share information regarding the upcoming school year, our goal this evening is to share details related to school transportation-busing. These details focus on the major components of a healthy restart: facial coverings, hand hygiene, social distancing, and cleaning & sanitizing in the school environment.

Facial Coverings

- Students and drivers must wear a mask when on the bus (one will be provided for those who do not have one).

Hand Hygiene

- Students must use hand sanitizer when entering and leaving the bus.

Cleaning & Sanitizing in the School Environment

- Buses will be sanitized after every trip.

Social Distancing

• Seating

- If practical, the first seat behind the driver will be left vacant.
- Two students per seat or three per seat if from same household.
 - Family members will be seated together.

• Loading & Unloading

- Loading and unloading of buses will be done in a way to reduce contact between riders, including the need for riders to pass by one another. This may include loading buses back to front and unloading front to back; however, other factors will be considered in an effort to promote health and safety.

Other Considerations

- Students will ride the same bus every day for morning and afternoon routes.
 - We realize this may be a challenge for some families, however, we must be able to easily identify the bus that each student rides in the event contact tracing is necessary.
 - Special passes for alternative stops will only be permitted when occurring on a student's normal bus route.
- Field trips will be strictly limited.
- Parents/guardians who can transport students are encouraged to do so.
 - The buildings of Cory-Rawson Local Schools will not be open to students until 7:45AM unless a meeting/practice has been scheduled and being supervised by school personnel.

Mr. Ben Smith, transportation supervisor, is working on three types of bus routes: routes for traditional instruction five days a week, as well as a Green Group route, and Gold Group Route related to our hybrid schedule. Routing information will be shared as soon as possible. In an effort to plan appropriately please complete the brief transportation survey below. Any questions related to bus transportation can be directed to Mr. Smith (smith@cory-rawson.org or 419.963.3415 ext. 5000).

Frequently Asked Questions Related to the 2020-2021 School Year

What are the plans for gym class and for recess for elementary students?

Physical activity is an important part of child development. Students will have the opportunity to participate in gym class and we will offer recess to elementary students. As in the past, recess will be outside weather permitting and students will have the opportunity to "play." Masks will not have to be worn during recess or physical activity during gym class.

Will students have the opportunity to take "mask breaks?"

According to the recent facial covering order from the Ohio Department of Health a mask break may be taken if, "students are able to maintain a distance of six (6) feet or more and the educator supervising the educational setting deems a break necessary."

What will lunch be like for students?

Students will eat lunch with other students in a common area of the building. For most students this area will likely be the main cafeteria in the elementary building; however, other common areas (gymnasiums, the "old" cafeteria, etc.) may be used to promote social distancing.

How often will the hybrid schedule/plan be reviewed?

At a minimum the hybrid schedule used by our district will be reviewed monthly. If successes or failures surface more often than this timeline, the hybrid schedule/plan will be re-evaluated sooner in an effort to provide a quality education in a healthy environment for all.

If you have questions related to the upcoming school year please contact me (Heath Huffman, Superintendent at huffman@cory-rawson.org or 419.963.3415 ext. 1100).

Please remember the published deadline for enrollment in Cory-Rawson Virtual Learning Academy (CRVLA) is tomorrow, August 18, 2020 at 9:00AM. See information below for additional details.

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 or 419.963.3415 ext. 1020) or Mrs. Gaietto, Cory-Rawson High School Principal (gaietto@cory-rawson.org or 419.963.3415 ext. 1030).

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