



# CENTRAL 104 SCHOOL DISTRICT



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## RETURN TO LEARNING FAQ 2020-2021

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**The answers are subject to change as new regulations and information becomes available.**

Central 104 has developed a plan that allows for parents to select either in-person or remote learning to start out the 2020-2021 school year. **Select must be made by JULY 31, 2020.**

### General Information for Remote Learning

- *Assigned school hours that will be the same number of instructional hours as in person learning.*
- *Daily attendance (Must call-in for sick days)*
- *Traditional grading*
- *Submitting homework assignments on-time*
- *Appropriate use of technology and platform*
- *Will use a video based instructional platform*
- *Will use Google Classroom*
- *Can participate in clubs/sports if they are offered*
- *Students will be expected to use district provided technology*

**Will there be set times for remote learning?** Yes there will be set times for attendance purposes and set times for instructional hours for remote learning.

*Central Elementary - 8:00 am to 1:30 pm*

*Joseph Arthur Middle School - 8:30 am to 2:00 pm*

**Is Remote Learning Self-Paced?** The goal of remote learning for the district is for it not to be self-paced, but it depends on the number of students who choose the remote learning option.

**How many hours per day can a student be expected to sit in front of a computer screen if they are doing the virtual school option?** The hours will vary depending on the amount of time for direction instruction from the teacher and the time it takes to complete work. The expected amount of academic time per day is 6 hours.

**How long does my student have to do remote learning?** For 1 full semester

**If I choose remote learning will I be able to move to in-person instruction?** No, you may not move to in-person instruction until the end of the semester if you choose the remote learning option.



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**Will the district provide all students with a device?** All 5th -8th grade students at Joseph Arthur Middle will be issued a Chromebook. 2nd grade - 4th grade students who choose remote learning will be issued a Chromebook. K-1 students will be given materials based on the instructional model used.

**Can my student use their own personal device for remote learning?**

All students will be required to use a district issued device for remote learning. There are learning platforms that we are able to push out and security measures that we have in place to ensure our student's safety. In addition, we have monitoring software that allows for our teachers to support students and monitor their access during instructional hours.

## IN-PERSON INSTRUCTION (FAQ's)

**Will all students and/or staff be required to be tested for COVID-19 prior to the start of school?** No students or staff will not be required to be tested. It may be requested of some students or staff to contact their physician prior to returning to school/work if they were sent home with symptoms..

**Will parents be able to walk their children to class in the mornings for drop off?** No, parents will not be allowed to walk their children to class during this time.

**Will students be required to wear a face covering?** Yes, face coverings will be required to attend in-person instruction. The district will be try to build in times into the day where students will be permitted to go outside and have mask-free time

**What are the protocols for symptom and temperature screenings?** All staff and students will be required to have their temperature checked before entering the building.

**Will there be bus service?** Yes, transportation will be provided as normal, with a reduced number of maximum students on each bus. However, parents must do a symptom self-certification check daily in the morning before putting their child on the bus.

**Will there be Latch Key?** There will be NO morning Latch Key but there will be Latch Key after school. The ending time of Latch Key will depend on the final decision of dismissal time for school.

**Will students be in the same class room all day or will they rotate classes or go to specials?** The students remain in the same classroom and the teachers will rotate.



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**Can I switch to remote learning?** If the need arises where you need to switch to remote learning, you may contact an administrator to discuss that option. However, if you do switch you will be required to stay in that option until the end of the semester.

**Where will my child go in the morning?** Immediately upon arrival, your student will go directly to their assigned classroom to avoid congregating in large groups of more than 50 students.

**What options will my child have to eat breakfast and lunch?** The menu distributed will list the one breakfast and lunch choice each day. There will be a sandwich option for lunch each day.

**What are the tentative school hours?** 7:30-1:30 at Central and 8:00-2:00 at Joseph Arthur Middle School. A final decision on school hours will be made by the Central 104 School Board next week.

**What time can I drop my student off in the morning?** 7:30 am at Central and 8:00 am at Joseph Arthur Middle School

**Where will students be dropped off?** There will be designated doors assigned to each grade level for drop-off and pick up

**Will students be able to share necessary classroom supplies, such as tools, kitchen utensils, art supplies, etc?** Students will not be sharing supplies this school year. We will ask that you limit the amount of supplies you send to start out the school year.

**Will there be a special place for students who develop COVID-19 symptoms at school?** Yes, each building will have a designated COVID-19 area/room.

**If a student tests positive for COVID-19, will all in that classroom be required to quarantine?** Yes, the teacher of the class and students in that class will begin remote learning upon the notification of a positive case within a classroom.

**Will social/physical distancing measures (6 ft) be observed in classrooms?** Yes, as much as possible.

**Will the school install water bottle refill stations instead of drinking fountains?** Yes, the district has installed two water bottle refill stations at each building.



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**\*\*\*PLEASE NOTE\*\*\***

If you have not already, **ALL STUDENTS** (whether in-person or remote learning) must be registered online via Skyward Family Access.