

LEARNING CENTER

Students attending the Learning Center will be using a hybrid learning model to begin the 2020-2021 school year. The first day of class for Learning Center students will be Tuesday, September 8th.

TRADITIONAL LEARNING MODEL

All students would be in school every day. The health and safety measures detailed in district protocols would be implemented. Social distancing would be followed where possible, but six feet of distance would not be strictly enforced during instructional time. Some learning opportunities would be limited or altered, however staff would work to provide robust learning experiences for all students.

DISTANCE LEARNING MODEL

Students would learn at home and have daily contact with members of their learning team (teachers, paraprofessionals, support staff, and/or specialists).

- All K-12 students would bring home school-issued iPads to aid in learning.
- Families who do not have reliable internet access at home may contact District 518 for information.
- Students would receive learning through online platforms such as Schoology and Zoom.
- A balance of digital and non-digital learning activities would be used.
- Students would have a consistent schedule with clearly communicated expectations.
- Some students in specialized programs may have personalized support through real-time interaction available to them, as determined by the learning team.

HYBRID MODEL

The student body would be divided into 4 groups, equal in number. Grouping will be done by family across the district, ensuring that children from the same household will attend school in-person on the same day(s). Shortened weeks will require students and families to be given special directions for what day(s) are in-person for their group.

Groups will be assigned to two days of in-person learning every week. For example, Group 1 and 3 may attend school on Monday and Thursday, while Group 2 and 4 may attend on Tuesday and Friday. During the three days while not in-person, students will be participating in distance learning activities and instruction. Distance learning days will include a variety of online and packet materials.

Should there be a time where reduced capacity is necessary, groups may move to one day of in-person instruction per week.

Instruction and student/teacher interaction is required each day whether a student is in-person or working digitally.

Some students in specialized programs may have in-person support available to them every day.

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Full time distance learning through the district's VIBE program will be available for families who do not want their children to attend school in-person. Other accommodations for students may be decided upon by Learning Center administration.

WEDNESDAY INTERVENTION DAYS

While working in a hybrid learning or distance learning education model, Wednesdays will be utilized as intervention days. Teachers will have a schedule available for students to meet virtually or in-person. In the afternoon on Wednesdays, teachers will have Professional Learning Community time as well as office hours to connect with students and families. All students will be required to check-in on Wednesday for attendance purposes.

Wednesdays will also be used as an opportunity for ISD 518 staff to use enhanced sanitizing and disinfecting practices within facilities across the district

SCHEDULE

When the Learning Center is following the hybrid or distance learning model the following schedule will be used. Students are expected to participate in each class period everyday whether they are in-person or at home.

Connect: 7:55 – 8:15
Block 1 : 8:18 – 9:26
Block 2 : 9:29 – 10:37
Block 3 : 10:40 – 11:48
Lunch : 11:51 – 12:21
Block 4 : 12:24 – 1:32
Block 5 : 1:35 – 2:43

GRADING

Grading for the 2020-2021 school year will follow the ISD 518 School Board approved scale below:

A : 100-90%
B : 89-80%
C : 79-70%
Pass: 69-55%
No Credit: 54.99% and below

ATTENDANCE

Attendance will be taken during each class period, just as it would be under the traditional learning model. Students are expected to participate in class each day during the assigned class period, whether they are in-person or distance learning.

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ALTERNATIVE LEARNING PLAN

ISD 518 will be using a hybrid learning model with students across the district participating in both in-person and distance learning at the start of the 2020-2021 school year. If District 518 uses a traditional in-person learning model or a hybrid learning model, some families may not feel comfortable sending their students to district facilities. Families in ISD 518 have options available to them to keep their students in the district while choosing not to send them to district facilities in-person.

PRAIRIE ELEMENTARY

Families whose student(s) who would normally attend Prairie Elementary but do not feel comfortable having their student(s) in district facilities have the option of enrolling their student(s) in a fully virtual learning environment. The fully virtual program for these students will be utilizing VIBE, the current virtual learning program offered through ISD 518. For more information on enrolling your Prairie Elementary student(s) in VIBE, please contact the Prairie Elementary office.

WORTHINGTON MIDDLE SCHOOL

Families whose student(s) who would normally attend Worthington Middle School but do not feel comfortable having their student(s) in district facilities have the option of a virtual learning environment. Students may be recommended to enroll in ISD 518's existing fully virtual learning program, VIBE. Other accommodations for students may be decided upon by administration. For more information on enrolling your Worthington Middle School student(s) in the VIBE, please contact the Worthington Middle School office.

WORTHINGTON HIGH SCHOOL

Families whose student(s) who would normally attend Worthington High School but do not feel comfortable having their student(s) in district facilities have the option of a virtual learning environment. Students may be recommended to enroll in ISD 518's existing fully virtual learning program, VIBE. Other accommodations for students may be decided upon by administration. For more information on enrolling your Worthington High School student(s) in VIBE, please contact the Worthington High School office.

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