

WORTHINGTON MIDDLE SCHOOL

Students attending Worthington Middle School (WMS) will be using a 25% capacity hybrid learning model to begin the 2020-2021 school year. The first day of class for Worthington Middle School 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. Full time distance learning through the district's VIBE program would be available for families who do not want their children to attend school in-person.

DISTANCE LEARNING

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 and Schoology.
- Learning experiences would include mostly digital activities with some non-digital learning activities.
- 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 LEARNING

All students in the district will be grouped into four separate groups. Grouping will be done by family across the district, ensuring that students 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.

In a 25% capacity model, Group 1 will be in-person on Monday, Group 2 will be in-person on Tuesday, Group 3 will be in-person on Thursday, and Group 4 will be in-person on Friday. Students needing additional in-person support will have the opportunity to receive this support on Wednesday.

In a 50% capacity model, Groups 1 and 3 will be in-person and in classrooms on Monday and Thursday. Groups 2 and 4 will be in-person and in classrooms on Tuesday and Friday. Students needing additional in-person support may have the opportunity to receive this support on Wednesday.

Information subject to change. All practices and protocols based on current state and federal guidelines at the time of document's publication.

Instruction and student/teacher interaction is required each day whether a student is in-person or working digitally. To accomplish this, live online interaction/teaching will be used as often as possible.

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

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 WMS 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

WMS SCHEDULE

Worthington Middle School will be following the regular school day schedule when using any of the education delivery models.

WMS 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%

D : 69-60%

No Credit: 59.99% and below

WMS NON-INSTRUCTIONAL TIMES

Students must follow social distancing guidelines and masks are required at all times consistent with district-wide policies. Students will not be allowed to loiter in the hallways before, after school, or between classes.

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