

Lewis County Schools
Updated -Parent Re-Entry Guide
Fall 2020



Updated August 18, 2020

Disclaimer

This plan is subject to subsequent revisions as warranted, given the conditions of the COVID-19 Pandemic at the State and local levels.

Message from the Superintendent

I want to thank you for your patience and support during the COVID-19 pandemic. This process has been a new and challenging experience for all of us as a community. This is a general guide to parents. We are here to serve you and your children in all that we do.

Yours in education, Dr. Robin Lewis

Re-Entry Planning Committees

Drawing on our members specific areas of expertise, committees comprised of Lewis County School administrators, central office staff, professional and service staff members, and Lewis County Health Department representatives as well as community members have been and will continue to meet and to develop recommendations for school re-entry. Those committees are focusing on: Instruction & Learning; Special Education; Social and Emotional Wellness; Safe Schools & Transportation; and Extra-Curricular & Extended Day Activities. The committee's recommendations, along with directives from the WVDE and the WV and Lewis County Health departments, will form the basis of the general Lewis County Schools Parent Guide and Full Operational Re-Entry Plans.

Community Re-Entry Survey

A brief survey soliciting school re-entry preferences from parents/ guardians were posted on the Lewis County Schools websites as well as those of the FRN and WVDE. These results have been considered when developing our re-entry plans.

The follow up Student Learning Options Survey is very important to develop specific guidance and plans for our schools. Your responses will help Lewis County Schools more effectively prepare to welcome its students and staff back into our buildings as safely as possible.

Lewis County website: www.lewisboe.com

Lewis County Schools

Parent Choices of Learning Options for the 2020-2021 School Year

(Current options are applicable to all enrolled students based upon grade level and parent/guardian discretion and WVDE guidance and/or DHHR)

Learning Options	#1 Lewis County In-person Learning (Grades PREK-12)	#2 Lewis County Distance Learning (Grades PREK-12)	#3 WV Virtual School (Grades 6-12)
Definition	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Student returns to school following the Lewis County Schools calendar and reentry plan. Adjustments will be made as needed depending on the status of the virus in Lewis County. • Plan A (students attend 5 days) • Plan B (Blended Model -Reduction of days and/or students in building) • Usage of Plan A or B to be determined by community spread of COVID-19. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full-time virtual program- student learns through a total online learning platform (Schoology) from a Lewis County Schools teacher, using county curriculum. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full-time virtual program- student learns through a total online learning environment/ platform from the WVDE. • WVDE certified Teachers or contractors. • INTERNET ACCESS IS A REQUIREMENT
Arrival/ Departure Times Plan A or Plan B	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Student arrival/drop off time will begin at 7:30am. • Instruction will begin at 8:15am. • Departure/dismissal will begin at 1:30pm. • This is for a 9 weeks basis determined by community spread of COVID-19. 	N/A	N/A

Enrollment	Enrolled on a 9-week basis	Enrolled on a 9-week basis	Enrolled on a semester basis *application required*
Instruction/ Curriculum	Delivered by your child's classroom teacher in the building	Delivered by Lewis County Schools teachers	Delivered by WVDE
Lewis County Teacher Engagement Level	High	High	NA
Parent Engagement Needed	Moderate	Moderately High	Highest
Can they play sports?	Yes	Yes	Yes
Food service	Yes	Yes	Yes
Special Education offered/IEP in place	Yes	Yes	Yes
Remote (Only by order of the Governor) *This is similar to what occurred to our March 2020 school closure. See Last page for School Re-Entry Metrics.	Full remote learning requires students to complete school assignments and engage remotely five days a week. This will require the teacher and students to communicate regularly and develop a process for monitoring, reviewing and/or grading of student engagement activities.	Does Not Apply	Does Not Apply

**A homebound option is available for those students who provide a physician's note. These students will receive instruction at home using a designated platform. Learning will take place virtually. There will be a teacher to oversee and monitor progress. There will be expectations for participation. **

**Homeschool is a parent elective for all students. When choosing this option all services provided by the schools are relinquished. **

****Safety and health protocols provided by the WVDE, DHHR, and Local Health Department. ****

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It is the policy of Lewis County Schools not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, handicap, or age in its employment practices as required by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972; the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended; and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended.

Education Choice Survey

Once you have thoroughly reviewed the above options for students continuing their education with Lewis County Schools, please complete the following survey at (<https://bit.ly/LewisCo>) by August 7th at 11:45 PM. **This survey must be completed for all students** as it will help Lewis County Schools to prepare for the 2020-2021 school year.

To request a paper copy of the survey- Contact the Board of Education (304)269-8300

Please note, you must complete this survey once for each student in your home.

Phased-In Reentry Schedule

To better prepare our students and teachers for reentry we are going to employ a phase-in approach. This will allow students and teachers the time necessary to become familiar with the new protocols given to us by the state and local health officials. Groups will be determined by the school and families will be notified regarding which group they are in before the school year begins.

September 8	Group 1 Students in Grades K, 2 nd , 4 th , 5 th , 7 th , 9 th , and 10 th
September 9	Group 2 Students in Grades K, 2 nd , 4 th , 5 th , 7 th , 9 th , and 10 th
September 10	Group 1 Students in Grades 1 st , 3 rd , 6 th , 8 th , 11 th , and 12 th
September 11	Group 2 Students in Grades 1 st , 3 rd , 6 th , 8 th , 11 th , and 12 th
September 14	All Grades in Group 1
September 15	All Grades in Group 1
September 16	All Groups – Learn from Home
September 17	All Grades in Group 2
September 18	All Grades in Group 2
September 21	Pre-K Begins

Throughout this timeframe, school and district administration will monitor the effectiveness of the protocols and processes developed and implemented.

2020-2021 School Calendar Lewis County Schools

239 Court Ave.
304-269-8300 (Fax) 304-269-8305
Weston, WV 26452

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Aug 25-Sep 3	Professional Development Days
Sep 4	Preparation Day
Sep 7	H- Labor Day
Sep 8	First Day of School for Students
Sep 16	NTID
Sep 23	NTID
Sep 30	NTID
Oct 7	NTID
Oct 8	Progress Report Term 1
Oct 14	NTID
Sep 21	NTID
Oct 21	NTID
Nov 2	NTID
Nov 3	Election Day
Nov 5	End of Term 1
Nov 11	Veterans Day
Nov 23-25	NTID
Nov 26	Thanksgiving Day
Nov 27	Out of Calendar Day
Dec 11	Progress Report Term 2
Dec 23	NTID
Dec 24- Jan 1	Winter Break
Jan 15	End of Term 2 / Sem 1
Jan 18	H- MLK Day
Feb 17	NTID
Feb 23	Progress Report Term 3
Mar 23	End of Term 3
Apr 1	NTID
Apr 2	Out of Calendar Day
Apr 5	NTID
Apr 28	Progress Report Term 4
May 27	Last Day of School for Students
May 28	Preparation Day
May 31	H- Memorial Day
June 1	Parent Teacher Conference
June 4	Term 4 / Sem 2 Reports

TEST DATE:
LCHS SAT School Day Test Date: April 13, 2021

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| | School Closed | | Preparation Day- No Students | | Parent Teacher Conferences |
| | Out of Calendar Days | | Report Card Go Home | | Holiday- No Students |
| | Election Day | | Progress Report | | No Students- Professional Learning / Faculty Senate |
| | Outside School Enviro. | | End of Nine Weeks Grading Period | | Non-Traditional Instruction Day (NTID) |
| | First & Last Day of Instruction for Students | | | | (Students not in School Buildings- Distance Learning) |

Lewis County Resources for Parents and Students

Lewis County Family Resource Network: (304) 269-4000

Most recent Lewis County Resource Quick Guide: <http://lewiscountyfrn.org/resource-guide/>

Lewis County Board of Education: (304)-269-8300

Lewis County DHHR: 304-269-6820

Mental Health and Safety Resources

Lewis County Schools Social-Emotional Support

<http://lewisboe.com/page/departments/health-services/social-emotional-support>

24/7 help for sexual and domestic violence survivors: HOPE, Inc. (304) 367-1100

24/7 help for a child in immediate behavioral or mental health crisis:

Children's Mobile Crisis Unit 1-844-WV-KIDS-1.

[Brit Cooper's Virtual Office](#)

(Exchange version)

[Brit Cooper's Virtual Office](#)

(Chrome version)

Our team at Lewis County Schools wants you to feel comfortable reaching out for any reason. For confidential assistance regarding a mental health or safety concern, visit: [Safety and Mental Health Check-up](#). Responses to this form will be sent to Mental Health Specialist, Brit Cooper, who will work to connect you with appropriate resources. Discussions will remain confidential unless reports include a threat to the safety or well-being of you or someone else. If you feel that your situation is an emergency, call 911.

Resources, activities, and book lists: <http://www.wvspa.org/social-justice>.

National 24/7 Support Lines

[Suicide Hotline](#)
**1-800-273-8255; Text
741741**

[Trans Lifeline](#)
**1-877-565-
8860**

[Human Trafficking Hotline](#)
**1-888-373-7888; TTY:77;
Text 233733**

[The National Domestic
Violence Hotline](#)

1-800-799-7233;
TTY:1-800-727-3224;
Text 233733

WVDE and Local Best Health Practices

According to national and local health experts, face masks and coverings significantly reduce the spread of COVID-19 by preventing people from contracting and transmitting the disease. It is important to note, that all guidance (locally and nationally) strongly recommends the use of face coverings or masks. The science continues to support the same as these items reduce air droplets produced when people speak, sing, yell, cough and sneeze. This plan reinforces the importance of face masks or coverings when it is possible and when it does not aggravate existing health conditions. Not all students can use these because of their age or developmental constraints. However, the West Virginia Department of Education has strongly encouraged schools and counties to include face coverings and masks as part of their health and safety protocols. This is especially important when children are in congregant settings, unable to exercise six feet of social distancing and/or when there are active cases of COVID-19 in the school community.

Employees, Visitors, Vendors and Students are Required to Wear a Face Covering or Mask as Follows:

- Students preschool through 12th grade are required to wear a face covering or mask while riding the bus to and from school.
- Elementary students in preschool, kindergarten and first grade are required to wear a face covering or mask when outside of their core classroom group or in congregant areas.
- Students in grades 2-12 are required to wear a face covering or mask in congregant areas and in classrooms.
- Students may provide their own face covering/mask, or one will be provided to them.
- Students who provide their own face mask must wash it daily.
- Any student who cannot wear a face covering, mask or face shield due to a medical condition, including those with respiratory issues that impede breathing, a mental health condition, or disability, and students who would be unable to remove a mask without assistance are not required to wear face coverings (with medical documentation). Individuals who are communicating or seeking to communicate with someone who is hearing impaired or who has another disability, where the ability to see the mouth is essential to communication, are not required to wear a mask; however, individuals should consider using another type of face covering such as a plastic face shield.

The following posters are from WVDE and WVDHHR address classroom screenings and best health practices in school.

The entire West Virginia Schools Re-entry Toolkit for COVID-19 Guidance can be found at: <https://wvde.us/school-system-re-entry>

A full operational guide will be reviewed and provided to Lewis County School staff prior to reopening which will address all health and safety protocols.

COVID-19 SHOULD I COME TO SCHOOL?



HOW TO SCREEN FOR COVID-19

IF I HAVE:

THEN:

1 NO SYMPTOMS

 **Proceed to school**

**2 EXPOSURE,
NO SYMPTOMS**

 **Cannot go to school**
Home for 14 days since exposure

**3 DIAGNOSIS,
NO SYMPTOMS**

 **Cannot go to school**
Home for 10 days since first positive COVID-19 test

4 AT LEAST 1 SYMPTOM
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- Fever
- Chills
- Shortness of breath/
breathing difficulty
- New cough
- New loss of taste or smell

 **Cannot go to school**
Home until:

- 10 days since first symptoms
- No fever for 3 days (without fever medicine)
- 3 days of symptom improvement, including coughing and shortness of breath



BEST HEALTH PRACTICES IN YOUR SCHOOL



6 ft.



Maintain six feet
of social distance

Strongly suggest
a face mask
or face covering



Clean hands with
soap and water
or hand sanitizer

Avoid touching
your face



Do not share pens/
writing utensils



Cough/sneeze into
your elbow or a tissue

Do not come to school
if you're feeling sick



WVDE School Re-Entry Metrics & Protocols

<https://wvde.us/school-reentry-metrics-protocols/>

ADJUSTMENTS TO WEST VIRGINIA SCHOOL RE-ENTRY METRICS AND PROTOCOLS

During 8-17-20 briefing, Gov. Justice announced that, after consulting with state medical experts over the weekend, the determination has been made to modify the School Re-entry Metric – the color-coded map system that will determine the level of openness for each Pre-K-12 school in West Virginia – originally announced on Friday, August 14, 2020.

“We listened to the experts and we came up with something that was revolutionary; something that no one in the nation has come up with: our color coding system,” Gov. Justice said. “We also said, along the way, we would listen and be fluid. We’ve stayed in contact and we decided that we needed to pivot just a little bit.”

The metric will still be based on each county’s number of new daily cases per 100,000 people on a seven-day rolling average. Based on that figure, each county will still be assigned one of four colors – green, yellow, orange, or red – which is meant to represent the severity of the rate of community spread.

However, Gov. Justice announced on Monday that several of the thresholds that determine each county’s color have been changed.

The updated thresholds are as follows:

GREEN: 3 and fewer cases per 100,000

YELLOW: 3.1 – 9.9 cases per 100,000

ORANGE: 10 – 24.9 cases per 100,000

RED: 25+ cases per 100,000

*New daily cases per 100,000 people on a seven-day rolling average

The color-coded map, tracking each county’s performance in the metric and associated color status, has been updated to reflect these changes.