



# Bethel-Tate Local School District 2020-2021 Reopening Plan

## Option 1: Full Return

Students in-person five days a week and in-buildings daily with elevated safety protocols in place.

## Option 2: Virtual

For parents who do not wish to send their child back in the fall, Bethel-Tate is offering an On-Line Virtual Academy with students at home daily using an individual online learning platform.

Parent choice with a one-semester commitment. Course fee of \$136 plus workbook per student for grades K-5 and a course fee of \$125 plus workbook per student for grades 6-12.

Deadline for enrollment: August 14, 2020.

Enrollment link and details are posted under the Reopen Plan at [www.betheltate.org](http://www.betheltate.org).

**Students begin to return to school on August 24 with staggered start dates for all grades.**

### Bick Primary School Return Dates

August 24 - 2nd grade

August 25 - 1st grade

August 26 -27 - Kindergarten and Pre School

### Hill Intermediate School Return Dates

August 24 - 5th grade

August 25 - 4th grade

August 26 - 3rd grade

### Bethel-Tate Middle School Return Dates

August 24 - 6th grade

August 25 - 7th grade

August 26 - 8th grade

### Bethel-Tate High School Return Dates

August 24 - Freshmen

August 25 - Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors

### **Start/End Times**

William B. Primary School - 8:50 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Ebon C. Intermediate School - 9:00 a.m. - 3:10 p.m.

Bethel-Tate Middle School - 7:20 a.m. - 1:35 p.m.

Bethel-Tate High School - 7:10 a.m. - 2:10 p.m.

## Health and Safety Practices

### **Staff Training**

Teachers will undergo professional development on health protocols and prepare their full return learning/remote lesson plan from August 17-21. Support staff will assist with staging the facilities to accommodate the full return-learning plan.

### **Transportation**

This school year, with new health protocols limiting the number of students permitted on the bus, Bethel-Tate Local School district will be unable to provide transportation if the student lives less than 1 mile from his or her school of attendance.

Riding on the bus poses some higher risks since maintaining six feet of distance between students on a bus will be difficult. There will be two students assigned to each seat and up to three if the students live in the same household. Students and the driver will be wearing masks and the windows to the bus will be left open for improved ventilation as weather permits.

### **Classroom**

- Students in grades K-8 will remain in the same classroom for the majority of the school day.
- Large multipurpose facilities used for gym, art and music will be converted into classrooms to assist with reduction of classroom sizes and increase social distancing.
- Specials such as gym, art and music offerings would be limited. Specials instructors will assist academic instructors.
- Assigned seating will be mandatory for all classrooms.
- Students will eat meals in the classroom.

### **Handwashing**

- Students and staff required to either wash their hands or use hand sanitizer every 60 minutes throughout the day.

### **Outside the Classroom**

- Outdoor recess will be permitted with restrictions.
- Restroom breaks would be in small groups with ensured social spacing

# New Health and Safety Protocols

## Student Daily Health Screening Requirements

Parents/ guardians will be provided detail “how to information” and the importance of screening their children for COVID-19 daily prior leaving the home to go to school.

Since COVID-19 spreads so rapidly it is essential that students (and their caregivers), staff and volunteers conduct daily health checks prior to going to school, which should include taking their temperature and accessing their symptoms. **Anyone with symptoms described below or a temperature above 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit should stay home.**

Symptoms of COVID-19 range from mild to severe and may appear two to 14 days after exposure. Below are the symptoms to check for daily prior to leaving home for school:

- Fever
  - Chills
  - Cough
  - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
  - Muscle or body aches
  - Headache
  - New loss of taste or smell
  - Sore throat
- Students will be ask daily prior to boarding the bus or entering the building if they have performed a home screening that morning. Any student that answers no will be required to go to the infirmary for fevered student cases and health screenings immediately upon the arrival to the school. At the infirmary the nurse / aid will conduct a COVID-19 health screening. All screening will be documented and a communication sent home to the parent.
  - Parents/guardians will inform the school if their child has been directly exposed to others or have tested positive with the COVID-19 virus.
  - Students that have been told to quarantine by a health care physician are not to report to school.

## Mask/Face Coverings

- Per guidance issued by the Ohio Department of Health and the Ohio Department of Education, all staff members must wear face coverings.
- All students in grades K-12 are required to wear a mask per the orders of Governor DeWine.

## Visitors

- Visitors access into the building will be limited.
- All visitors will require a prescheduled appointment approved by the building administrator or designee if desiring to go beyond the Main Office.
- All visitors are required to wear facial coverings at all times while on District property.

## Enhanced Cleaning

- Restrooms and clinics cleaned and sanitized throughout the day.
- Buses-Drivers or aide will frequently wipe down common high traffic touch points such as stairwell handrails with daily routine cleaning and disinfecting – wiping down seats, walls and ceilings.
- Each classroom will have hand sanitation stations.
- Sanitizing spray bottles, wipes and applicators will be provided in each classroom for instructors use.
- Common touch points in classroom will be sanitized frequently depending upon usages.
- In hallways, floors, common touch points, flat surfaces will be cleaned and sanitized and at end of every day with either TrippleS-61 solution or Clorox360 Electrostatic Sprayer.

## Food Service

- Breakfast and lunches will be served and consumed in the classrooms except for the high school.
- Food Service will serve meals in grab and go bags.
- Meals will be provided for those that are remote learners and in need of breakfast and lunches.
- After hour grab and go meal pickup will be served with pickup time to be determined once we have identified potential needs. Location will be at the red building next to tennis courts behind middle school.

*Updated on August 7, 2020.*