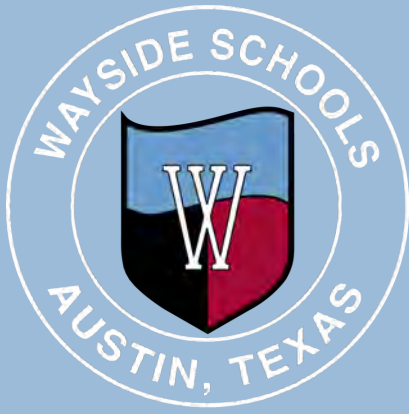


JULY 2020



Education for ALL:

Fall 2020 Reopening Plan

Together, we can help keep our scholars and staff healthy.



INTRODUCTION

As the start of our school year quickly approaches, the Wayside Schools leadership team is diligently working to plan for the unconventional school year ahead. Though the health and safety of our community is important every year, we have placed an increased focus on this in the 2020-21 school year as we continue to navigate the COVID-19 pandemic.

Our planning process is shaped by guidance from state and local leadership, along with feedback from our families and staff. **Please know that all planning is preliminary, and subject to change at any time due to updated ordinances and directives from state and local authorities.** We thank you for your grace and support and we continue to navigate these incredibly challenging and uncertain times.

At Wayside, we understand that the COVID-19 pandemic has disproportionately affected our community. Therefore, it is our goal and social responsibility to ensure that our scholars and staff stay safe, in an effort to reduce community spread.

As we plan, we are committed to our guiding principles:

- Maintain the health, wellness, and safety of the entire school community
 - Flexibility for our most at-risk scholars, staff, and families
 - Compliance with social distancing recommendations and PPE as required
 - Preparedness for responding to local, state, and federal orders
- Commit to developing equitable and innovative reopening approaches that meet the academic and social-emotional needs of all scholars
- Support all staff to adapt and respond to the instructional and operational needs of all stakeholders
- Ensure open communication and transparency with our community

1. REMOTE START TO SCHOOL YEAR

Based on current mandates from Austin and Travis County authorities, Wayside Schools will begin the school year with remote learning for all scholars. Scholars will have the option to return for onsite learning once the mandate expires as described in this reopening plan. Currently the mandate is set to expire at midnight September 7, 2020.



2. ACADEMIC CALENDAR

We will begin school on August 12, 2020. Currently, we have no plans to alter our academic calendar, but will remain flexible if changes become necessary. To see our calendar, [click here](#).

3. TEACHING & LEARNING (2 Models)

Wayside Schools is committed to providing an instructional model that will meet the needs of each family. Recently the Texas Education Agency made it a requirement that all public schools, including Wayside, offer a 100% face-to-face, 5-day-a-week onsite learning option as part of any reopening plan.

Considering this requirement, the two instructional models that we will offer are 5 days a week, 100% face-to-face learning on your child's campus and 5 days a week, 100% remote learning from your home. This is subject to change to include other models in the future as the realities of COVID-19 and governmental regulations may change.

Families will have the choice of which of one of these two instructional models best fit their needs. Each family will need to commit to one chosen model, either 100% face-to-face learning on your child's campus, or 100% remote learning from your home, prior to each 9 weeks. Specific dates and deadlines will be provided soon.

At the end of each 9 weeks, families will be able to reevaluate their choice and switch models if desired.

Model Descriptions:

100% On-Campus Face-to-Face Learning - 5 days a week

Scholars will attend school five days a week where they will participate in whole class activities and receive intervention in small groups or individually as needed. Social



distancing and additional safety measures will be in place and transitions will be limited (more information below on health and safety). Attendance will be taken daily as normally required by the Texas Education Agency.

100% At-Home Remote Learning - 5 days a week

Scholars will have the opportunity to participate in live (synchronous) lessons or to view recordings (asynchronous) of lessons delivered via an online learning platform 5 days a week. Per TEA guidelines, scholars will be required to devote the following amounts of time to learning each day:

- Half-day Pre-K – 90 instructional minutes per day
- Full-day Pre-K – 180 instructional minutes per day
- K through 5th grade – 180 instructional minutes per day
- 6th through 12th grade – 240 instructional minutes per day

Attendance will be taken each day for remote learners. To satisfy attendance requirements, scholars must accomplish one of the following:

- Daily progress on a remote learning platform
- Daily progress via teacher-scholar interactions
- Completion/turn-in of assignments from student to teacher (potentially via email, online, or mail)

Each classroom teacher will assign the activities that are appropriate for your scholar to meet the learning time requirements.

Sample Schedules for 100% At-Home Remote Learning

Being mindful of each instructional model, the recent TEA guidance for remote learning and the Governor's intent to return to in-person instruction in the fall, Wayside Schools has developed draft sample schedules for At-Home Remote Learning for elementary, middle, and high school.

These schedules for At-Home Remote Learning are being provided as general samples. They will be adjusted as needed by campuses. You will receive your child's schedule from your assigned school at the beginning of the school year.



Types of Remote Learning	
Synchronous Instruction	<p>Scholars and teacher are present at the same time online</p> <p>Examples</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Live interactive classes with students and teachers participating in real time ● Teacher-supported work time on video conference calls ● Scheduled and online tests
Asynchronous Instruction	<p>Scholars and teacher are NOT present online at the same time</p> <p>Examples</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Self-paced online courses with intermittent teacher instruction ● Pre-assigned work with formative assessments on paper or in learning system ● Pre-recorded videos of instruction Sample PK Weekly Schedule for an On-Campus School Day

SAMPLE At-Home Remote Learning Elementary Schedule

(the at-home remote learning schedule may vary from this sample depending on grade level and group)

TIME	Learning Activity	Type of Remote Learning
8:00-8:30	Morning Meeting	Synchronous
8:30-9:30	Work on an online learning platform	Asynchronous
9:00-10:00	Break from remote learning	
10:00 - 10:20	View a lesson posted online	Asynchronous
10:20-11:00	Complete assignment from online lesson and submit to teacher	Asynchronous
11:00-11:30	Participate in an online PE lesson	Synchronous
11:30-12:00	Lunch	



12:00-12:20	View a lesson posted online	Asynchronous
12:20-1:00	Complete an assignment based on the online lesson	Asynchronous
1:00-2:00	Break from online learning	
2:00-2:20	Intervention time online with a teacher	Synchronous

SAMPLE Middle School At-Home Remote Learning Schedule

(the at-home remote learning schedule may vary from this sample depending on grade level)

TIME	Learning Activity	Type of Remote Learning
8:00-8:30	Advisory	Synchronous
8:30-9:30	View online English lesson and complete assignment (or participate online live)	Asynchronous
9:30-10:00	Online intervention with a teacher	Synchronous
10:00-11:00	View online math lesson and complete assignment (or participate online live)	Asynchronous
11:00-11:55	Participate in online learning for an elective (or watch video)	Asynchronous
11:55-12:30	Lunch	
12:30-1:30	Complete assignments on an online learning platform	Asynchronous
1:30-2:00	Break	
2:00-3:00	View online science lesson and complete assignment (or participate online live)	Asynchronous
3:00-4:00	View online social studies lesson and complete assignment (or participate online live)	Asynchronous



SAMPLE High School At-Home Remote Learning Schedule

(the at-home remote learning schedule may vary from this sample depending on grade level)

TIME	Learning Activity	Type of Remote Learning
8:00-9:00	View online math lesson and complete assignment (or participate online live)	Asynchronous
9:00-9:30	Advisory	Synchronous
9:30-10:30	View online English lesson and complete assignment (or participate online live)	Asynchronous
10:30-11:30	Complete assignments on an online learning platform	Asynchronous
11:30-12:00	Lunch	
12:00-1:00	View online history lesson and complete assignment (or participate online live)	Asynchronous
1:00-2:00	Participate in an online elective class (or watch video)	Asynchronous
2:00-3:00	View online science lesson and complete assignment (or participate online live)	Asynchronous
3:00-4:00	Participate in an online elective class (or watch video)	Asynchronous

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Sample Elementary Schedule for On-Campus Learning

(the on-campus learning schedule may vary from this sample depending on grade level and group)

TIME	Learning Activity
7:45-8:00	Breakfast
8:00-8:30	Morning Meeting
8:30-10:00	ELAR Block
10:00-10:30	Recess
10:30-11:15	Special Area Class
11:15-12:00	Science
12:00-12:30	Lunch
12:30-2:00	Math
2:00-2:50	Intervention or Extension for Math and Reading
2:50-3:20	Social Studies
3:20-3:30	Prepare to Leave for the Day



Sample Middle School Schedule for On-Campus Learning

(the on-campus learning schedule may vary from this sample depending on grade level and course)

TIME	Class
8:00-8:55	English
9:00-9:55	Elective
10:00-10:55	Math
11:00-11:55	Elective
12:00-12:55	Science
1:00-1:30	Lunch
1:35-2:30	History
2:30-3:00	Advisory
3:00-4:00	Intervention and Enrichment

Sample High School Schedule for On-Campus Learning

(the on-campus learning schedule may vary from this sample depending on grade level and course)

TIME	Class
8:10-9:05	Algebra I
9:10-10:05	Advisory
10:10-11:05	History
11:10-12:05	English I
12:10-12:40	Lunch A/Advisory
12:45-1:15	Lunch B/Advisory
1:20-2:15	Biology
2:20-3:15	Elective



3:20-4:15	Spanish
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4. REMOTE LEARNING

Access to Technology

If you do not have access to a device (laptop/tablet) or internet, [please click here to let us know](#), or contact your child's front office. Wayside will assign a ChromeBook or tablet to your scholar, depending upon grade level. In addition, we have a limited number of wireless hotspot devices that may be assigned.

Remote Learning Dress Code

Scholars are not required to wear their Wayside Schools uniform for remote learning. However, their attire should follow the dress code. Please refer to the Scholar Handbook for more information on dress code.

Remote Learning Attendance

Attendance will be taken each day for remote learners. To satisfy attendance requirements, scholars must accomplish one of the following each day of the week.

- Daily progress on a remote learning platform
- Daily progress via teacher-scholar interactions
- Completion/turn-in of assignments from student to teacher (potentially via email, online, or mail)

Each classroom teacher will assign the activities that are appropriate for your scholar to meet the learning time requirements.

Remote Learning Report Cards/Grading

Remote scholars and in-person scholars will be graded and receive report cards according to the Scholar Handbook.



Remote Learning Special Education and 504

All special education and 504 scholars will continue to receive the services and accommodations described in their individual plans. For specific information pertaining to your scholar, please contact your school's front office.

Daily Schedules for Remote Learning

Your child's schedule will depend upon their grade level. To see sample schedules, please refer to section 3.

Meal Service

Your child is eligible to receive free breakfast and lunch during remote learning. Weekly bulk pickup times will be provided at Wayside: REAL Learning Academy for all scholars. Please contact your front office for more information on specific dates and times.

5. SAFETY PROTOCOLS FOR ONSITE LEARNING WHEN IT RESUMES

Wayside Schools is working to ensure we maintain the health, wellness, and safety of the entire school community. Though all protocols are subject to change based on local, state and federal guidelines, we are committed to the following protocols during the 2020-21 school year:

Each classroom will:

- Be equipped with hand sanitizer and disinfectant wipes
- Ensure social distancing between scholar desks
- Modify daily cleaning schedules to ensure each space is sanitized and disinfected multiple times a day, and deep cleaning of campuses once a week
- Remove soft furnishings, soft toys, and toys that are hard to disinfect

Each school be equipped with:

- Hand sanitizer stations around the campus
- PPE and cleaning supplies
- No-touch thermometers
- Tape markings demonstrating social distancing in all common areas and walkways

Each school will implement:

- An isolation space for scholars who do not pass arrival screenings and/or become ill with COVID-19-related symptoms and must wait for parent pick up



- Daily cleaning schedules to ensure each space is sanitized and disinfected multiple times a day; and deep cleaning of campuses once a week
- Frequent 20-second hand washing practices among staff and scholars

Prior to entering the building:

- Daily health screening will be performed for all scholars & staff
 - Every scholar and staff member will be required to have their temperature taken via no-touch infrared thermometers by the administration team prior to entering the building
- Wayside Schools will follow all local and state mandates regarding facial coverings. Scholars are encouraged to bring their own facial covering every day. If a scholar arrives without a facial covering they will be provided with one. A facial covering will be provided to scholars, staff, service providers, and approved visitors at health screening locations if they do not have one provided for themselves
- Scholars & staff will be marked who have had their daily health screening

New policies on campus will include:

- Provide training to all employees on health safety protocols
- Require scholars and staff to stay home if they, or anyone in their household, have tested positive for COVID-19 and/or are showing any symptoms
- Wayside Schools will follow all local and state mandates regarding facial coverings

6. TRANSPORTATION

Wayside Schools will continue to offer shuttle service to scholars who need transportation between campuses. However, we will implement increased safety procedures.

Shuttle procedures will:

- Practice Wayside's Protocol/Precautions for COVID-19
- Implement social distancing seating assignments
- Provide hand sanitizer stations on buses
- Implement procedures for health check of drivers
- Require that shuttle drivers always wear a facial covering while operating a shuttle
- Load the scholars starting at the rear of the shuttle, and unload starting from the front of the bus
- Enforce one scholar per seat every other row



- Require scholars to wear a facial covering
- Avoid standing near the shuttle driver
- Keep windows open at all times or as much as possible

7. MEAL SERVICE

In line with the Center for Disease Control (CDC) and Texas Education Agency (TEA) recommendations to ensure safety for scholars and staff, breakfast and lunch will be offered in the classroom as possible and when most appropriate at all Wayside Schools campuses for the 2020-2021 school year. Protocols for safe and sanitary meal service will be put in place at all schools. The following protocols are subject to change as conditions evolve.

These protocols include:

- Require food service staff to have their temperature checked and go through a health screening each day.
- Require food services staff to wear facial coverings and gloves during all food preparation and service.
- Ensure teachers and staff assisting with meal distribution in the classroom wear facial coverings and gloves.
- Deliver breakfast and pre-packed lunches outside of the classroom to avoid additional staff entering the classroom space.
- Implement hand washing with soap and water for 20 seconds by students and staff before and after meal service (hand sanitizer may be used when soap and water is not available).
- Sanitize the food serving table prior to, during, and after each meal service.
- Maintain social distance between staff and scholars during meal service.
- Do not allow sharing of desks/tables or food.
- Do not allow saving of perishable food items for consumption at a later time.