



WEST CHICAGO ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

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Friday November 6, 2020

Dear D33 Families:

At the November 5, 2020 meeting, the Board of Education approved the following updated timeline for the Return to Partial In-Person Learning for students in Pre-K through 8th grade:

- **Mondays, November 9th and 16th - Independent Learning Days for Students**

Staff will use these Mondays to:

- Participate in professional development,
- Set up classrooms,
- Meet with parents for virtual Q&A sessions,
- Receive additional technology support from lead teachers, and
- Participate in team meetings.

Classroom teachers will be providing independent activities for students to complete.

- **Tuesday, November 17, 2020**
 - In-Person Learning Begins for **Group A**
- **Wednesday, November 18, 2020**
 - In-Person Learning Begins for **Group B**
- **Thursday, November 19, 2020**
 - In-Person Learning Begins for **PreK**
- **Beginning Tuesday, December 8, 2020**
 - Second day of In-Person Instruction is added for K-8 for two full days of In-Person Learning. Group A attends Tues/Thurs and Group B attends Wed/Fri.

Building principals will be sending information to parents as to which group (A or B) their child(ren) are assigned. If parents have selected for their child(ren) to continue with remote learning, then your child will be assigned to Group C and will participate via Zoom in classroom activities with Groups A or B.

More Information

If you are choosing partial in-person for your child(ren), we encourage you to attend your building principal's virtual **Q&A sessions** next week. Your building principal will be sending the details to join the sessions.

Please view the following video for safety protocols pertaining to in-person instruction this year:

- [Welcome Back to In-Person Learning Video](#)

See Schedule Below:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Nov 9	Nov 10	Nov 11	Nov 12	Nov 13
Independent Learning for K-8 students	Online Learning Academy	Online Learning Academy	Online Learning Academy	Online Learning Academy
Mon Nov 16	Tues Nov 17	Wed Nov 18	Thurs Nov 19	Friday Nov 20
Independent Learning for PreK-8 students	Group A: In-Person Group B & C: Online Learning Academy (ZOOM)	Group B: In-Person Group A & C: Online Learning Academy (ZOOM)	All Students Online Learning Academy PreK students return to In-Person	All Students Online Learning Academy PreK students In-Person Virtual P/T Conferences in PM
Nov 23 NO SCHOOL Virtual P/T Conferences	Nov 24 NO SCHOOL	Nov 25 Thanksgiving Break	Nov 26 Thanksgiving Break	Nov 27 Thanksgiving Break
Nov 30	Dec 1	Dec 2	Dec 3	Dec 4
Modified D33 Online Learning Academy	Group A: In-Person Group B & C: Online Learning Academy (ZOOM)	Group B: In-Person Group A & C: Online Learning Academy (ZOOM)	All Students Online Learning Academy	All Students Online Learning Academy

School and County Metrics

We are in daily communication with the health department to monitor our school level trends and cases of COVID-19 among our students and staff. We have had cases of COVID-19 reported to us and have been diligent in implementing [our protocols to avoid transmission](#). So far, those cases have been linked to activity outside of our school community (family gatherings, travel, etc) and have not been transmitted in our schools. Our priority is to implement the recommended [safety protocols](#) to minimize transmission so that we can continue partial in-person instruction with our students.

I want to emphasize that we are strongly committed to our in-person learning plans however, the safety of our students and staff continues to be our primary concern. We will monitor this data and post updates to our [D33 COVID-19 Dashboard](#) on a weekly basis. All plans are subject to change based on the following [D33 Operational Targets](#) and directives from the health department.

I also urge you to please help us minimize the spread in our community by wearing a face covering, following physical distancing guidelines and washing your hands frequently so that we can continue to bring back more of our students for in-person learning. It is vital for all of us to work together for the benefit of our students and community.

Sincerely,

Kristina Davis, Ed. S.

Superintendent