



# Preparing for the 2021-22 School Year

Monday, July 26, 2021

# Plan to Resume In-Person Learning for the 2021-22 School Year



- Glenbrook High Schools will fully reopen for all-day, in-person learning, as scheduled on Wednesday, August 18, 2021.
- Our goal is to resume normalcy for our students and staff in a safe manner, as much as possible.
  - Normalcy includes making all services that were available to students prior to the pandemic, available for this school year, while also meeting our students where they are, and offering additional social emotional and academic supports to those that need them.
- Throughout the 2021-22 school year, COVID-19 mitigation measures will continue to be implemented as necessary, and in response to local data and state/county mandate.
  - Regular updates will be provided to the Board of Education and the school community as incremental adjustments are made to our mitigation measures.
  - We recognize that guidance from public health agencies and the Illinois State Board of Education will continue to be updated throughout the school year. We ask for patience and understanding as these updates are released, and processed by our district and school leadership teams.
  - We are awaiting additional guidance from the Cook County Department of Public Health regarding mask use for unvaccinated and vaccinated students and staff. The administration will make a recommendation to the Board of Education at the Monday, August 9, 2021 meeting.

# **Student Schedule and Learning Format**

# Bell Schedule

- Schools will resume their pre-COVID, block schedules.
- Lunch will be built into block 3, offering all students a 45-minute lunch period at the beginning, middle, or end of the block.
- All students are expected to be in attendance throughout the entire school day (8:00 AM - 3:15 PM), unless approved for a late arrival/early release schedule in accordance with the school handbook.

<b>BLOCK 1</b> <b>8:00 - 9:33</b> 93 minutes		
9 minutes		
<b>BLOCK 2</b> <b>9:42 - 11:12</b> 90 minutes		
9 minutes		
<b>LUNCH A</b> <b>11:21 - 12:06</b> 45 minutes	<b>BLOCK 3A</b> <b>11:21 - 12:06</b> 45 minutes	<b>BLOCK 3A/3B</b> <b>11:21 - 12:51</b> 90 minutes
<b>BLOCK 3B/3C</b> <b>12:06 - 1:36</b> 90 minutes	<b>LUNCH B</b> <b>12:06 - 12:51</b> 45 minutes	
	<b>BLOCK 3C</b> <b>12:51 - 1:36</b> 45 minutes	<b>LUNCH C</b> <b>12:51 - 1:36</b> 45 minutes
9 minutes		
<b>BLOCK 4</b> <b>1:45 - 3:15</b> 90 minutes		

\*Early bird classes meet Monday through Friday from 7:05 - 7:50 a.m.

# Learning Format

- In May 2021, the Illinois State Board of Education took action to require all schools to resume fully in-person learning.
- Remote instruction is to be made available for students who are (1) not eligible for a COVID-19 vaccine **and** (2) are under a quarantine order by a local public health department or the Illinois Department of Public Health.
  - At this time, any remote instruction services would be provided through the school district's existing homebound tutoring program, not by streaming classes using the Owl, etc.
- Any other requests for learning accommodations would be processed through the school district's existing Section 504-plan or IEP process, coordinated by the Student Services and Special Education departments.

# Learning Spaces

- The school district will continue to implement social distancing as much as practicable, without decreasing opportunities for students. Most classrooms with individual student desks will offer 3 feet of social distancing.
- Hand sanitizer and disinfecting wipes will continue to be made available in all learning spaces for staff and students to use.
- Enhanced cleaning protocols will continue to be implemented by our Buildings and Grounds team every evening.



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- Quest will resume food service for breakfast and lunch at the beginning of the school year. Additionally, vending machines will be made available to students, and a limited number of mid-day food service options will be made available.
- Similar to our learning spaces, hand sanitizer and disinfecting wipes will be made available throughout the cafeteria for students to use.
- In general, cafeteria seating will return to pre-COVID capacity. However, each school will designate cafeteria tables with limited seating for those students that are (1) not vaccinated, or (2) prefer more space while they are eating.
- **Junior and Senior** students will be eligible to participate in the school district's open lunch option, enabling them to leave campus during the lunch period.

# Updated Mask Use Guidance

# Guidance from the CDC and IDPH

- The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) issued updated guidance for COVID-19 Prevention in schools on July 9, 2021.
- The Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) subsequently adopted the CDC’s guidance, and offered the following statement:

“Schools should work with local public health officials to determine the prevention strategies needed in their area by monitoring levels of community transmission (i.e., low, moderate, substantial, or high) and local vaccine coverage, and use of screening testing to detect cases in K-12 schools.”

- In general, the guidance recommends that schools continue to implement a layered-approach to minimize the potential spread of COVID-19, with a priority of keeping students in school for in-person learning.

# Summary Guidance from the CDC and IDPH

## Indoors

- Mask use is recommended for people who are not fully vaccinated including students, teachers, and staff. Children under 2 years of age should not wear a mask.
- Schools should be supportive of people who are fully vaccinated, but choose to continue to wear a mask, as a personal choice or because they have a medical condition that may weaken their immune system.
- Based on the needs of the community, school administrators may opt to make mask use universally required (i.e., required regardless of vaccination status) in the school.

## Outdoors

- In general, people do not need to wear masks when outdoors.

## School Bus

- Regardless of the mask policy at school, passengers and drivers must wear a mask on school buses, including on buses operated by public and private school systems. This includes co-curricular travel.

# Current Local Data

Metric	Population	Current Value
<b>1</b>	<b>Weekly New Cases Per 100,000</b>	
	Cook County - North	26
	Glenbrook Zip Codes	27.06
<b>2</b>	<b>Test Positivity (%)</b>	
	Cook County - North	1.9%
	Glenbrook Zip Codes	1.242%
<b>3</b>	<b>Percent of Population with Complete Vaccine Series</b>	
	Glenview	75.4%
	Northbrook	82.5%

Last updated July 17, 2021

# Contact Tracing and Potential Quarantining

# Guidance from the CDC and IDPH

- During the 2021-22 school year, we anticipate that there may be positive COVID-19 cases within our schools that will require contact tracing.
- According to current public health guidance, vaccinated students, if exposed, are not required to quarantine. However, if a student is directly exposed to COVID-19 and not vaccinated, they will be required to quarantine for 10 days.
- To support our school health staff and prevent an individual from being unnecessarily quarantined, we ask all parents to complete a brief vaccination survey prior to the first day of school.
  - Please note that your responses to this questionnaire will be treated confidentially, in the same manner as all other student health information.
  - Only aggregate information regarding vaccination rates will ever be shared.

# Survey

In an effort to support and maintain a safe and health school environment, students are asked to **provide their proof of vaccination** to the school. A fully vaccinated school community will help ensure regular operations and support in-person instruction and activities.

Providing proof of vaccination is voluntary. However, students who have not provided proof will be considered unvaccinated for contract tracing purposes, and may be required to follow more stringent mitigation measures during the school year (e.g., participating in weekly COVID-19 testing, wearing face coverings, etc.).

Please answer the following question regarding your vaccination status. Information on how to submit **proof of vaccination** to the school will be forthcoming by email to all those that indicate that they are full or partially vaccinated.

As of today, please indicate [Student First Name] [Student Last Name]'s COVID-19 vaccination status:

- Fully vaccinated
- Partially vaccinated
- Not vaccinated
- No response