



Sayre Public Schools
Sayre, Oklahoma 73662
Home of the Eagles

Safe Return Plan 2021-2022
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Safe Return Plan

- ❑ Sayre Schools will coordinate with state and local health authorities to maintain safe conditions for students, teachers, staff, and the community as a whole during the 2021-2022 school year.
 - The school will work with state and local healthcare officials to make available diagnostic and screening testing as may become necessary during the school year.
 - The school will work with state and local healthcare officials to make available vaccinations amongst members of the school community.
 - The social/emotional needs of all students, faculty, and staff will be monitored with steps taken to ensure the well-being of everyone in the school community.
 - School officials will monitor CDC guidelines to remain up-to-date with current recommendations for schools including guidance for correctly wearing a mask should a mask mandate be implemented.
 - Parents/guardians remain the frontline defense. Parents/guardians are to check for symptoms and elevated temperature before sending children to school. Students must stay home if they have a high temperature or if any signs of COVID-19 are present.
 - Students and school personnel awaiting COVID-19 test results must not return to school prior to receiving the results.
 - Special consideration concerning attendance requirements will be given when students are unable to attend due to exhibiting signs of illness.
 - Sanitation practices will continue to be bolstered within facilities and buses (all faculty/staff are called upon to help with this process.)
 - HVAC systems will be assessed with steps taken to improve ventilation as needed.
 - Electrostatic sprayer/foggers will be utilized along with traditional disinfectants and wipes to sanitize facility surfaces and bus surfaces.
 - Hand sanitizer stations will be available in all buildings.
 - Increased emphasis will be placed on proper and frequent handwashing.
 - Desks will be arranged to allow for proper distancing between students.
 - Student temperature checks will be performed as needed.
 - Students with elevated temperatures or demonstrating other symptoms will be isolated and sent home with parents/guardians.
 - If a student or staff member tests positive for COVID-19, school personnel will utilize guidance from the CDC, state, local, and tribal health organizations to determine contact tracing procedures and appropriate isolation/quarantine protocols for the individual and those exposed.

- Teachers will utilize Google Classroom (Grades 3-12) and SeeSaw (PK-2nd) for lessons and classroom assignments for onsite and offsite learning. This will allow for a seamless transition during periods of distance learning for individual students or groups of students.
- Special services will continue with appropriate accommodations for children with disabilities while in school, or during periods of a school closure, and/or individual quarantine.
- Student needs for distance learning will be met on a case-by-case basis. Parents/guardians should contact their site principal if a need for distance learning exists.
- School personnel needs for special arrangements regarding attendance and execution of duties will be met on a case by case basis.
- Athletics/Extracurricular Events - Plans and protocols for athletics and other extracurricular activities may be adjusted as needed to maintain the health and safety of participants and spectators.

Distance Learning

- In the case of a school closure or if an individual must quarantine at home, students will log in using *Google Classroom (3rd-12th)* or *SeeSaw (PK-2nd)* on a school-provided device to complete assignments in a digital format.
- When possible, teachers will execute the distance learning plan from their classroom according to the school calendar and contract days.
- Student attendance will be based on daily participation and engagement in the online program during periods of distance learning.
- The curriculum presented during a period of distance learning will align with Oklahoma Academic Standards.
- Teachers will maintain communication through a combination of *Google Meet*, e-mail, and phone calls to provide instruction and to monitor progress. Other digital diagnostic programs will be utilized to track student progress and individualize instruction.
- Credit for courses completed while distance learning will be awarded through the same process as courses completed on site.
- During periods of whole-school distance learning, students and sponsors will not gather for school-sponsored extracurricular activities.
- Hot spot devices will be available as needed to provide internet connectivity on school-issued devices should distance learning become necessary.
- During a school closure or period of quarantine, teachers, administrators, and counselors will monitor progress with social/emotional needs in mind. Services will be provided as needed to ensure the well-being of all students, faculty, and staff.

Full-Time Virtual Option

- ❑ Sayre Schools will offer a full-time virtual option for schooling on a case-by-case basis. This option is for an individual student and is subject to approval by Sayre Schools Administration. An appeal process for any student who is denied will be available.
 - The virtual option for schooling will be for core subjects (English/Reading, Math, Social Studies, & Science) and other state requirements. Educational delivery will be through an online digital method, using the vendor Edgenuity. The student should be able to work through the program independently; however, a parent will need to monitor educational progress and assist as needed. The Director of Online Learning will coordinate the program and serve as lead contact for the student and parents.

- If this option is selected, the student and parent must commit to a full semester of the virtual program. This will keep the student on pace despite a differing curriculum order than what may occur in the traditional classroom. Students will have a one-week virtual trial period before being locked in for the semester.
- Students may check out a device from the school for use during virtual learning. The student will be responsible for returning the device in working condition or will be responsible for the damage.
- The virtual option must be deemed educationally appropriate by school personnel. If a student severely struggles in processing written material, for example, reading passages and learning independent of the classroom may not be appropriate.
- If a family desires the full-time virtual option, please fill out an application form for each student. The online application is located on the school website: www.sayre.k12.ok.us