

Nettleton School District
F.A.Q. 4th - 8th Grade Students

1. **QUESTION:** For in-school learning, what measures and precautions are being taken to provide a safe environment and reduce risk of exposure of COVID-19 for my 4-8 grade student?

ANSWER:

- Morning Routine - For their safety, students should not arrive before 7:15. Each grade will have a designated entrance to their school building. Upon arrival students will report to their designated entrance. At this entrance, staff will check each child's temperature before they enter the building and report to their homeroom. Students eating breakfast will eat inside the classroom.
- Schedules - Students have been placed into homeroom groups and will remain with those classmates throughout the majority of the day in order to maintain social distance and to reduce contact. Teachers will rotate from class to class to allow students to remain in one setting. The exception to this will be activity periods for 4th - 6th and electives for 7th and 8th. They will continue to go to those classes during their regularly scheduled times.
- Breaks - Time is allotted throughout the day for intermittent breaks, including bathroom breaks, recess, and move-to-learn opportunities for each group.
- Lunch - 4th & 5th graders will have lunch delivered to their classrooms. 6th through 8th grade will have staggered times to go through the lunch line and pick up a ToGo plate. All 4th - 8th students will eat lunch in their classrooms.
- Other Safety Measures - Masks are strongly encouraged, but not required, for students. Social distancing guidelines will be enforced as much as possible inside each classroom. Students will need their own supplies to limit interactions.

2. **QUESTION:** What will the distance learning experience be like for my 4-8 grade student?

ANSWER:

- Internet Service-If students opt for distance learning, parents are responsible for providing internet access at this time: however, the school district is looking at plans/options to meet these needs.
- Device- Students can check out chromebooks, if available.
- Canvas- All teachers will use Canvas, an online learning management system, to provide virtual instruction. Assignments, videos, and opportunities will be available, although they may not be synchronous or real-time. Also, teachers will have office hours for question-answer sessions. Attendance and completion of assignments are required, as academic expectations will be the same for traditional and distance learning.
- Assessments-At this time, students who are distance learning will have a designated time and place to assess on campus.

3. **QUESTION:** When can I change the mode of instruction if I find the chosen one to be the wrong fit for my student?

ANSWER: Mode of instruction can be changed at the end of each nine weeks.

4. **QUESTION:** Will my student be able to participate in extracurricular activities if he/she is distance learning?

ANSWER: Yes. Parents will be responsible for transportation to and from the student's athletic period. Athletes will follow MHSAA guidelines.