

Gallup-McKinley County Schools Expectations during School Re-entry

PARENTS/GUARDIANS

Parents/Families will be responsible for the following during school reopening:

Do not send your student to the bus or to school when they are sick.

- If your student has symptoms such as a cough; congestion/runny nose; body/muscle aches; new loss of smell sensation; fatigue; vomiting; diarrhea or a temperature greater than 100.4° F, keep your student at home. [COVID Symptoms](#)
- Contact your primary provider or COVID hotline to discuss these symptoms
 - Coronavirus hotline: 1-855-600-3453
 - Non-health related COVID hotline: 1-833-551-0518
- If student is sick, do not return until Department of Health criteria is met and documentation the student can return to school.

If your student has been in direct contact with a positive COVID person within the last 14 days, they need to stay home. Notify the school and follow the directions of your primary health provider. Students who are in quarantine will automatically revert to the remote learning option until cleared to come back to school.

- Temperature and symptoms check of your student(s) before leaving for school. [COVID Symptoms](#)
 - You cannot leave a student at a bus stop before the student's temperature is checked as they board the bus and cleared to get onto the bus.
- Ensure students bring and wear a face covering/mask to school every day. Face covering/masks should not distract from the educational process.
 - Schools will provide a face covering/mask if needed.
 - Teach your student the proper method of using face covering/masks. [Proper Usage of masks](#)
- Practice good hygiene at home and at school (hand washing and keep clean) [Proper Hand Washing](#)
- Reinforce/talk with your child about social distancing rules at school [Social Distancing](#)
- Have your student bring a water bottle to school.
 - Disposable cups will be provided by water fountains at schools to limit crowds and contact with water fountains.
- Attendance days are currently determined by students last name (A through L or M through Z) within your home school boundaries. Some exceptions will be determined by school site.
 - Households where students have different last names will attend school on the same day to relieve parents from potential childcare issues.

When a student arrives at the health office ill and it has been determined the signs and symptoms the individual presents are of possible COVID-19 nature, the following will occur:

- Student will remain isolated until leaving campus.
- Parent/guardian of student will be notified immediately with a request for immediate pick up from the school setting and personal belongings will be brought to the health office for the student.
- Campus administrator will be notified immediately for immediate release from the school campus.
- If student is sick, do not return until Department of Health criteria is met and documentation the student can return to school.
- Schools are following NMDOH guidelines for cleaning of facilities.

Counselors and Student Support Advisors (SSAs) will provide support for the social and emotional needs of students either in-person or in virtual settings.

- When appropriate, referrals will be made to further address mental health concerns.
- Resources are provided on the GMCS website at [Mental Health Resources](#).

STUDENTS

Students will be responsible for the following while at GMCS schools:

- If you are sick, let your parents/guardian/an adult know.
- Follow procedures to get your temperature and symptoms checked every day.
- Wear a face covering/mask while at school, except while eating or drinking, to protect yourself and others.
- Participate in social distancing by staying at least 6 feet apart from others while at school and follow other social distancing requirements.
- Ensure you are regularly keeping your hands clean while at school. [Proper Hand Washing](#)
- Understand that expectations are the same for grading in both hybrid and remote/distance learning.
- Attendance days are determined by students last name (A through L or M through Z) within your home school boundaries.
- Follow all other school site specific guidelines regarding health and safety (lunches, pass periods, common areas, recess, in-class, etc.).

Students will be responsible for the following while participating in remote/distance learning:

- School, classroom conduct, and school rules apply in remote/distance learning. You are still subject to disciplinary action for misconduct when in remote/distance learning.
- You understand that online teaching and learning is not a replacement for you physically attending school.
- You will have the same expectations as a student attending school to work on and complete remote learning assignments and participate in remote learning the same number of hours per day.
- You must have consistent daily communication, determined by the school, with your teacher for instruction and attendance purposes. You will need to contact your teacher(s) daily for attendance purposes by phone or other online methods which are to be determined.
- If you are facing difficulties with your laptop or iPad, you must contact your school immediately for assistance.