


TENTATIVE Preschool Reopening Plan for Fall 2020
EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER (ECC)

Return to
Learn



Reopening Preschool

- The health and safety of our preschool students, their families, and our staff is our top priority
- District 20 has developed two tentative plans for Preschool Students:
 - **In-Person Learning**
 - **Enhanced Remote Learning**
- *Parents will be asked to choose which learning model their child will attend during the first trimester*
- Please understand that these are *tentative plans* that may change due to parent response and/or district or state decisions and guidelines that we must follow
- Special Education Services will be provided in-person as well as remotely, depending on the parents' learning choice
- Students who receive itinerant speech services will also be given the choice of in-person or remote services



Preschool Return to Learn Plan

Families will be asked to make a decision regarding which instruction model they will choose for the first trimester.

IN-PERSON LEARNING	ENHANCED REMOTE LEARNING
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• In-Person Instruction• 5 days a week• AM Sessions: 8:30AM to 10:45AM• PM Sessions: 12:30PM to 2:45PM• Enhanced health and safety measures for the health and safety of our students and staff.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Remote Instruction• 5 days a week• Daily scheduled virtual class meetings 15-30 minutes long.• Teachers will also send a link to pre-recorded lessons so that if students are not able to attend the live session, they can watch at a different time• Enhanced engagement of students through a combination of virtual class meetings and instruction, as well as at-home activities.

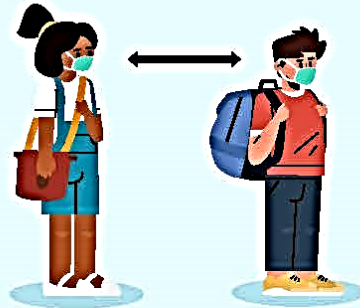
In-Person Learning

- In person learning will look very different this year than it has looked in the past so that we can ensure the health and safety of our students and staff.
- If you choose this option, we will provide videos from the staff and other resources before the school year starts, including:
 - Talking to your child about wearing masks
 - Physical distancing with staff and other students
 - Different ways to greet each other
 - Playing will look a little differently at school this year

Health and Safety First



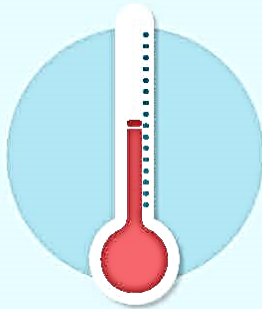
Face coverings are required. The state will provide one free mask to every public school student. Students can also bring face coverings from home.



Students and staff must stay six feet apart as much as possible. Talk to your child about the importance of social distancing.



No more than 50 people are allowed in one space at a time. Cafeterias and school buses may look different than usual.



Schools are conducting symptom screenings and temperature checks or requiring that individuals self-certify that they are free of symptoms before entering school buildings. Anyone experiencing symptoms must stay home.



Schools are increasing cleaning and disinfection. Schools will provide hand sanitizer and have soap and water readily available for frequent handwashing.



Schools may implement creative scheduling or a combination of in-person and remote learning. More information is coming from your school or district.

Health & Safety Protocols

- Self Certification will be required by all parents prior to sending students to school
- Required Face Coverings (masks)
- Physical distancing in the classroom & common areas
- No more than 50 people in any space at one time
- Temperature checks by monitor on bus prior to boarding
- Temperature check at the start of the school day and one other time
- Separate room for assessment of students with symptoms
- Staff training on safety, health and hygiene practices
- Visuals and signage regarding physical distancing and hygiene practices
- The addition of a custodian/disinfectant specialist for ECC
- The addition of a nurse's aide for ECC
- Frequent mask breaks outside, if needed and weather permitting

Arrival

- Each classroom will be assigned a separate door for entry
- Parents will need to get students out of the car and walk them to the door
- Student temperature check up on arrival
- Students will go directly to their classroom
- Two students at the cubbies at a time to hang up their backpacks, coats, etc.
- Sit on individual marked spot with manipulatives to play with on their individual tray.

Circle Time

- Circle Time activities may be done with students spread out in a whole group and the teacher walking around to show them items for discussion and instruction.
- This time may be conducted in small groups as part of a rotation in Centers.

Centers

- Students and staff will be physically distanced 6 feet apart
- Students wash hands before each center
- 1-2 Students in each center and students will stay in the same groups
- Tables will be marked down the middle with one student at each of the far ends to do art, sensory activities, table toys, etc.
- Each student will get an individual bag of supplies (crayons, scissors, markers, glue) to use and be kept in cubby
- Students will get bins of materials/manipulatives to play with at centers. Once the center is over, materials/manipulatives will be disinfected
- Typically centers are 50 uninterrupted minutes, but teachers may divide center time into smaller increments with breaks in-between for music, motor/movement activities, etc.

Snack

- We will eat snack outside as much as possible using students' individual trays
- Snacks will only be individually wrapped items
- Some days snacks may be sent home in backpacks rather than eaten at school
- We ask parents to please send your child to school with a full water bottle labeled with your child's name

Motor/Outside

- Teachers will be encouraged to use space outside on the ECC/Greenbrook campus for any part of their day they feel is appropriate and conducive to learning
- Students will be allowed to play on playground equipment in small groups and equipment will be cleaned between groups
- If students are able to stay 6 feet apart outside, masks will be able to be removed. The teacher will determine if students are able to keep physical distancing and remove masks. If they cannot, then masks will be worn outside for safety.
- Motor time will be more structured to ensure students can maintain distance
- Indoor motor time will be structured activities in the motor room

Departure

- Each classroom will be assigned a separate door to exit
- Parents will need to get students from the building and walk them to the car

Class Times & Transportation

- AM Sessions will be from 8:30AM to 10:45AM
- PM Sessions will be from 12:30PM to 2:45PM
- Activities will be sent home for the 15 minutes that the day is shortened due to cleaning
- Busing will still be provided for students who qualify through their IEP
 - Buses of any size can have up to 50 individuals on them
 - An aide will be on the bus for supervision
 - Students will have assigned seats
 - Children from the same household will be seated together

Enhanced Remote Learning

- Remote learning will be more enhanced than it was last spring
- We will make a strong effort to communicate and connect with students and families who are not in the building on a daily basis
- We plan to have occasional Parent Academies and/or Q&A Sessions with teachers and/or Ms. Aubry
- We are available to have discussions about how to work with your child at home, we can create visuals or other materials to help your child and send them to you, and we can provide resources for families who may need them
- Remote learning students are still a very valuable part of our program and our staff continues to be here to support your child and your family as much as we possibly can

Enhanced Remote Instruction

- EC material bags will be provided for children (crayons, markers, scissors, glue sticks) at the beginning of the school year. We can also provide more materials if needed throughout the duration of Enhanced Remote Learning
- Materials for students to work on will be both mailed and emailed to all families every 2 weeks
- Special Education Services will be provided per students' Remote Learning Plan
- Students who receive itinerant speech services will also be given the choice of in-person or remote services

Remote Class Meetings

- Google Meets (much like Zoom) class meetings will be online in groups of 4-5 students for 15-30 minutes each day at a schedule time
- Remote ECC students will be given a Chromebook (if they choose) so they can participate in Google Meets class meetings.
- Class Meetings will include activities such as:
 - Message from the teacher ahead of time so students and parents know what to expect from the lesson
 - Live and interactive Circle Time activities with the teacher using the materials that have been sent home
 - Teachers may ask students to make something from the materials sent home and bring it to the meeting to show their friends/talk about/do an activity with
 - Ideas and resources for parents to help work with their children at home
- Teachers will also send a link to pre-recorded lessons so that if students are not able to attend the live session, they can watch at a different time
- Periodic whole class Google Meets



Family Learning Choice

1. All Families will be asked to choose whether their preschool student will attend **In-Person Learning or Enhanced Remote Learning** for the first trimester
 - ***All Families must make their learning choice by Tuesday, August 11th at 5:00pm***
2. All Families must also **Register for the 2020-2021 School Year.**

**Contact Donna Rivard at
drivard@esd20.org or 630-894-4008 to
(1) Submit your Learning Choice and
(2) Register for 2020-21.**