



LYNDEN
SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Reconnecting All Students Fall 2020



Zoom Webinar

A Zoom Webinar is different than a Zoom Meeting

- Participants can submit questions and comments via the Q&A function but cannot interact with the presenter or other participants.
- Participants who have a Zoom account will be identifiable, for those who do not, they will appear as unknown/anonymous.
- The Webinar will be recorded and posted for others to watch if they could not make it tonight.

Zoom Webinar

Agenda for the Webinar

- Superintendent will provide a short presentation on current planning and options for families.
- Participants will submit questions via the Q&A function.
- Superintendent or other administrator will provide answers to the questions.
- A FAQ will be developed as a follow up to all Webinars - Look for the FAQ late next week.



Our Focus

Safety

The safety of our students and staff is at the center of all our planning

Wellness

Connecting to the social and emotional needs of the school and broader community

Learning

Educators are preparing to delivery high quality instruction in a dynamic teaching environment

Accessibility & Equity

Providing the tools and resources to ensure success for all of our students

Flexibility

Developing multiple learning pathways to meet the needs of all families

Learning Options:

Choose your path back to school

Lynden School District is offering a range of choices when it comes to planning a safe return to school. Lynden families have voiced an interest of choice for both in-person and distance learning options. Three pathways provide flexibility for families:

Lynden at School
In-person

Lynden Home
Connected

Lynden Online

Lynden at School: In-Person Learning*

Students are welcomed back, in-person, to all Lynden schools in the 2020-21 school year. Every campus will be following preventative protocols and making modifications to the learning environment to prioritize student and staff safety. The number of school days students attend each week will depend on the number of students enrolled, classroom capacity, and health circumstances.



At a Glance:

- Safety measures in place
- Lynden teachers and curriculum
- Instruction in core content
- Social-emotional support
- Accommodations and support services

* Changing health circumstances may result in distance learning for individual students and schools for short or extended periods of time

Lynden Home Connect: Distance-Connected Learning

Intended for families electing not to physically send students to school for in-person learning. Parents would serve as the primary instructor and be connected to dedicated Lynden teachers with access to district curriculum.



At a Glance:

- Parents serve as primary instructor
- Lynden teachers and curriculum support
- District provided laptop as needed
- Social-emotional support
- Accommodations and support services

Lynden Online: Online Learning

Online learning is designed for families seeking an independent and flexible learning experience for their student. Students will be enrolled in online classes facilitated remotely by teachers. This independent learning platform allows for students to access developed online curriculum managed through Lynden Schools.



At a Glance:

- Program design and registration managed in partnership with Lynden staff
- Lynden credit awarded for course completion
- District provided laptop as needed
- Progress monitoring by LSD staff
- Remote teachers and curriculum

What are we currently planning for?

Safety protocols

- Social distancing
- Face coverings
- Hygiene

Social Emotional Learning and Support

Meals for students

- Monday through Friday

Transportation Options

Learning Management System - Seesaw for Elementary and Canvas for Secondary

- An online classroom for teachers and students to work together, access resources, receive and submit assignments, and stay organized with a calendar and daily to-do list.

Technology

- Laptops for students
- Internet access for all students



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Questions and Considerations to Reopen Schools

Masks

- Can we give students, especially youngest, mask breaks? How to do safely?
- Exemptions for some staff and students are allowed in the guidance? How best to handle this, especially for students with special needs?
- Guidance on use of face-shields in lieu of masks?

Distancing

- Guidance for use of common spaces for lunch and outdoor recess?
- Can playground equipment be used at elementary? Cleaning protocols for use?
- Can choir/music/band and PE classes be held safely? Guidance?
- Is there additional guidance for keeping students in cohorts/"bubbles" throughout a day.
- Distancing during passing times, arrival, and dismissal?

Questions and Considerations to Reopen Schools

Health Screenings

- Besides temp checks for students daily, what other health screens are required before students enter buildings and/or board buses?
- Do students' temps or other health info need to be recorded daily?

Hygiene and PPE

- How often/when should hand washing or hand-sanitizing take place (especially K-5)?
- Can MS and HS students help clean surfaces during the day? (disinfecting wipes for desks, classroom items between uses etc.).
- What additional PPE should be supplied for schools, classrooms, transportation etc.?

Questions and Considerations to Reopen Schools

Cleaning and disinfecting

- How often should areas be cleaned/disinfected:
- Classrooms between student groups?
- Restrooms?
- Playground equipment?
- Other frequently touched surfaces?

Transportation

- Additional guidance for buses? Distancing and Masks?
- Cleaning and disinfecting of buses?

Next Steps and Timeline

1. Compile information from family survey – Post survey information week by July 31.
2. Develop a FAQ based on Webinars to share with families and staff – Post by July 31.
3. Use this information to inform planning and decision on models/options for opening schools – Finalized plans posted by August 7.
4. Continue to work on plans for transportation, food services, facilities, cleaning and sanitation, health and safety, and wellness.
5. Establish protocols for each element of the reopening plan and communicate with families. Look for a series of communications addressing each of these areas - Share with families as they are developed.
6. Student Registration for 2020=21 SY will be open between August 7-14.

Dates may change as new information become available



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