



White Settlement ISD Return to In Person Instruction & Continuity of Services Plan 2021-2022



White Settlement ISD will continually monitor recommendations by the CDC and local and state health officials and establish protocols that promote the guidance of these entities. WSISD will continue to monitor the number of COVID-19 cases and make adjustments to district procedures, if necessary.

Health & Safety Measures

- The state of Texas no longer allows public school districts to require a face covering. To comply with state mandates, face coverings are optional for students, staff and visitors.
- WSISD will follow the recommendations of the CDC and state and local health departments regarding contacting tracing and quarantine procedures. [Click here for WSISD protocol.](#)
- WSISD will promote vaccination sites for students, staff and families on its [website](#) and social media.
- To prevent the spread of COVID-19, the district will limit the number of visitors in the main office at one time.
- Signage will be displayed listing COVID-19 symptoms.

Ventilation/HVAC Enhancements

- WSISD will add needlepoint bipolar ionization units inside existing HVAC systems.
- Air handler units and roof top units will be equipped with one NPBI unit, approximately 1,024 units in the district.
- NPBI units will be installed using the HVACs existing electrical system with no need for additional electrical work.
- Positive and negative ions will be released into the airstream using existing HVAC fans and ductwork.
- NPBI will be used in WSISD to treat various airborne particles and other pathogens such as SARS-CoV-2, Coronavirus, Mold, Norovirus, Legionella, Tuberculosis, MRSA, Staphylococcus, and E-Coli.
- In addition to airborne pathogens, NPBI will be used to help with odor causing VOC's and allergen control, leaving indoor air cleaner and smelling fresher.

Cleaning & Sanitation

- Each school will be sprayed and fogged weekly, and campuses will implement frequent cleaning practices.
- Each classroom and the common areas have a touchless hand sanitizer dispenser.
- Students and staff will be encouraged to sanitize and/or wash hands frequently.

Transportation

- Buses will be thoroughly cleaned after each trip focusing on high-touch surfaces such as seats, steering wheels, knobs, and door handles. During cleaning, staff will open windows to allow for additional ventilation and air flow.
- Additional routes will be added to create more spacing between students.
- Each bus is equipped with a touchless hand sanitizer dispenser.

Instructional Options

In White Settlement ISD, we believe students and families have a choice in their education, and students deserve an individualized learning program that supports their needs and maximizes their potential.

Instructional Options - In Person Learning

WSISD will provide normal as normal through in person learning for all students in grades pre-kindergarten through 12. The district will continually evaluate the recommendations of the CDC and local and state health officials to implement protocols that ensure the health and safety of all students and staff.

Instruction will focus on grade level TEKS and address the learning loss from COVID-19. Interventions will be offered during Flex Time, Bear Time or after school and will be provided by classroom teachers, interventionists and tutors.

Instructional Options - Virtual Academy

WSISD will offer a new School of Choice—the WSISD Virtual Academy—beginning in August 2021. The Academy will provide an educational alternative for students who excel in a virtual learning environment as well as families with special health considerations.

- **Core Classes:** Students attend class at a designated time during school day (synchronous). *
- **Electives:** Students may attend classes in person, via computer program, and/or via online or pre-recorded lessons (asynchronous) * or live lessons (synchronous).
- **Extra-Curricular:** Students attend in person.
- **Endorsements:** Limited endorsements available.

* **Asynchronous online learning:** Students view instructional materials each week at any time, and this does not include a live video lecture component.

* **Synchronous online learning:** Students log in and participate in class at a specific time with a teacher.

Grades Kindergarten-5

- All Virtual

Grades 6-12

- All Virtual
- Hybrid Model (Mixture of virtual and in person courses that allows students to attend school on campus for electives and/or extra-curricular activities)

Continuity of Services - School Closure

In the event of a school closure, the following plan will be implemented:

- Canvas Learning Platform
- Daily assignments that may be questions imbedded in instructional videos, exit tickets, formative assessments, discussion boards, etc.
- Students will submit assignment from 7 a.m. to 11 p.m.
- Specified time during the day for virtual classroom instruction and tutoring
- 2 lessons per week over new instruction
- Recorded instructional videos – 2 per week over new learning
- Recorded instructional videos
- One grade per week
- EOC/STAAR subjects incorporate Sirius materials into instruction
- If the class meeting on Tuesday and Thursday is instruction, it must be recorded and posted.
- Feedback required on assignments
- Attendance taken daily based on student participation on daily assignments
- Parent communication should be responded to within 24 hours, if received outside normal office hours.
- Contact students and parents if students miss 2 consecutive days of daily instruction, fail class(es) or are not making progress.
- Check district email multiple times a day.
- SchoolStatus emails/announcements will be used for all communication.
- Teachers will set aside time once a week to collaborate virtually with their team.
- Follow WSISD Grading Guidelines.
- Provide necessary accommodations for all students under Section 504, English Learners, Gifted and Talented, and/or Special Education.

Monday	8:00-10:00 (Math/Science), 10:00-12:00 (Electives) & 1:00-3:00 (ELA/Social Studies)
Tuesday	Meet each class period all day via Zoom
Wednesday	8:00-10:00 (Math/Science), 10:00-12:00 (Electives) & 1:00-3:00 (ELA/Social Studies)
Thursday	Meet each class period all day via Zoom
Friday	8:00-10:00 (Math/Science), 10:00-12:00 (Electives) & 1:00-3:00 (ELA/Social Studies)

Inclusion/Resource Teachers

- Review current and next week's lesson plans.
- Accommodate and modify per IEP.
- Schedule co-teach/instructional support time with teacher or schedule direct instruction for students per IEP.
- Document time spent with teachers and students.
- Consult with speech and/or related service personnel for additional supports.

ESL Teachers

- Accommodate assignments
- Partner with general education teacher for live sessions
- Separate times to do individual check ins
- Document time spent with individual students

Continuity of Services - Addressing Students' Academic Needs

- WSISD will add personnel to address the loss of learning among LEA students, including low-income students, Students With Disabilities (SWD), English learners, racial and ethnic minorities, students experiencing homelessness and children in foster care.
- Instructional Coaches will implement evidence-based activities to meet the comprehensive needs of students and work with team members to develop curricular design including Tier 1 and interventions, support the PLC process, and provide daily teacher support.
- An additional diagnostician will identify students' strengths and weaknesses through the testing process. Impact of potential learning loss specific to the pandemic has increased the need for academic evaluations.
- Interventionists/tutors will work with targeted students exhibiting deficits from the Spring of 2020 to Spring 2021. They will support homeroom teachers with scaffolding and accommodations for students with gaps due to learning loss caused by COVID-19.
- WSISD will implement the Edmark reading program for WSISD Special Education students to improve the reading abilities of Life Skills students.
- The district will expand its pre-kindergarten program to additional students who would not otherwise meet the federal pre-kindergarten enrollment requirements.
- During WSISD professional development in August 2021, teachers and instructional staff will receive additional training regarding online platforms, social emotional topics, district initiatives, and technology.
- Professional Learning Community (PLC) planning time is conducted every week for staff to connect with their peers and build staff capacity in delivering on-campus and virtual instruction.

Social & Emotional Support & Other Needs

- WSISD will implement the Capturing Kids' Hearts initiative district-wide. All staff will begin the year with training in how to build meaningful, productive relationships with every student and colleague and how to create a safe, effective environment for learning.
- WSISD instructional staff will receive the Ruby Payne Understanding Poverty training that provides critical strategies to address students' needs by building strong inner selves and identifying and addressing socio-emotional insecurities and deficits.
- All new employees will attend the Question Persuade Refer Suicide Prevention Training in August, and all existing staff will receive an online refresher training in August. Staff members had the opportunity to attend the in person QPR training in May.
- WSISD will provide breakout sessions that focus on suicide prevention, incorporating SEL in the classroom, recognizing mental health-related symptoms, and understanding the impact of trauma in August and during the 2021-22 school year.
- Human trafficking training will be provided to all instructional staff who did not attend in May.
- The district's Parent and Family Engagement efforts will include in person and virtual sessions that address mental health related issues such as anxiety and depression.
- Counselors in grades kindergarten through 6 will provide guidance lessons for students.
- Counselors will continue to provide counseling support to students.
- Campus counselors will utilize the mental health referral process to refer students who need additional support to the district social workers/mental health counselor.
- All WSISD students will receive free meals through the district's Child Nutrition Office.