

Lakewood Public Schools: A Brief Summary of the Restart and Recovery Plan

September of 2020

July 15, 2020



A survey of Parents was conducted:

As of 8:00 a.m. this morning, July 15, 2020, six-hundred (600) parents responded to a survey that was emailed, text and sent via Piner Connection, in English and Spanish, the week of July 6, 2020.

For the sake of saving time, the following question has been combined:

“What is the plan that you would like to choose for your Preschool/Elementary/Middle/High School Child?”

The choices were:

- I will be keeping my child home for the entire 2020-2021 School Year.
- I would like to have my child participate in Remote Learning **ONLY** if this is an option.
- I plan to send my child to school for In-Person Instruction. My child will follow all social distancing procedures and protocols, which includes wearing a mask when social distancing cannot be maintained.

High School/Middle School – had the additional Option:

- I would like the District to create a "Hybrid" schedule so that my Middle/High School child goes to school 2 days and works remotely from home 3 days

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“What is the plan that you would like to choose for your Preschool/Elementary/Middle/High School Child?”

The choices were:

- I will be keeping my child home for the entire 2020-2021 School Year. **(144)**
- I would like to have my child participate in Remote Learning **ONLY** if this is an option.
(191)
- I plan to send my child to school for In-Person Instruction. My child will follow all social distancing procedures and protocols, which includes wearing a mask when social distancing cannot be maintained.
(793)

High School/Middle School – had the additional Option:

- I would like the District to create a "Hybrid" schedule so that my Middle/High School child goes to school 2 days and works remotely from home 3 days **(88)**

A survey of Parents was conducted:

Will anyone be home with your children during the School Day in order for remote instruction to take place?

151 parents– NO

29 parents – Did not respond

In meeting with parents and Community Leaders...

- The message was astoundingly clear, parents must work.
- The District cannot knowingly leave schools closed with children home alone.
- The students in the Lakewood School District have a right to be educated in an environment that is safe, healthy and COVID-19 compliant.

A survey of Staff was conducted:

As of July 15, 2020, at 10:30 a.m. 740 staff members responded out of approximately 1000 staff members.

Question:

Due to COVID-19, if you fall into one of the high risk categories, you may take an unpaid leave of absence.

Do you plan on taking an unpaid leave of absence when school opens in September?

98% of the staff answered – No

*To date, no letters of request have been received, as they must be Board approved.

A survey of Staff was conducted:

Question:

Due to COVID-19, do you anticipate having day care issues during the 2020-2021 School year that will affect your attendance?

Responses:

589 – No

110 - Maybe

38 - Yes

The Lakewood School District expects to begin School in September on a 5-day schedule, following COVID-19 Protocols and Procedures that are contained herein.

<u>Tier</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Arrival Time for Teachers Contractually</u>	<u>Start Time For Students</u>	<u>End Time for Students</u>
1	Lakewood High School	6:55 a.m.	7:00 a.m.	1:30 p.m.
1	Lakewood Middle School	6:55 a.m.	7:00 a.m.	1:30 p.m.
2	Ella G. Clarke School	7:40 a.m.	7:45 a.m.	2:15 p.m.
2	Oak Street School	7:40 a.m.	7:45 a.m.	2:15 p.m.
2	Clifton Avenue Grade School	7:40 a.m.	7:45 a.m.	2:15 p.m.
3	Spruce Street School	8:25 a.m.	8:30 a.m.	3:00 p.m.
3	Piner Elementary School	8:25 a.m.	8:30 a.m.	3:00 p.m.
3	LECC	8:25 a.m.	8:30 a.m.	3:00 p.m.

According to the NJDOE's guidance, The Road Back, Schools and Districts must allow for Social Distancing within the classroom to the maximum extent practicable. This can be achieved by ensuring students can be seated at least 6 feet apart.

If schools are not able to maintain this physical distance, additional modifications should be considered.

These include using physical barriers and turning desks to face the same direction or having students sit on only one side of the table, space apart.

How is Lakewood maintaining COVID-19 compliance?

- Purchased Washable face coverings for students.
- Purchased Washable face coverings for staff.
- Purchased Face Shields for students.
- Purchased Face Shields for staff.
- Purchased gloves for students and staff if needed.
- Purchased Plexiglas in offices where needed.
- All students will sit with desks facing the same direction.
- Plexiglas on student desks, pending approval.

How is Lakewood maintaining COVID-19 compliance?

- Disinfectant spray bottles in every class.
- Hand sanitizer stations in every hallway.
- COVID-19 signs in every hallway.
- 6 foot signage on the floors showing students and adults where to stand.
- Temperature scanning Kiosks for staff.
- COVID-19 Questionnaires must be completed each day.
- Student Questionnaires must be completed each day.
- Daily Student Roster for teachers to check students for COVID-19 symptoms.

How is Lakewood maintaining COVID-19 compliance?

- To the best extent possible, students will remain in cohorts.
- Students in the Elementary Schools will eat breakfast and lunch in the classroom.
- Students in the Elementary Schools will have scheduled “recess” times, as not to mix with other students.
- Middle School students will eat breakfast and lunch in the classrooms. Students will remain in cohorts, to the best extent possible. Schedules are being created to limit the movement of students and staff.
- High School student schedules are currently being created, in order for students to remain in cohorts, and to limit the movement of students and staff, to the best extent possible.
- The movement of students and staff throughout the building will be staggered.

How is Lakewood maintaining COVID-19 compliance?

- Students will have hand washing breaks once every hour.
- All buildings have a COVID-19 Designated Points of Contact-all of which have received Contact Tracing Training from John Hopkins University (Nurses & AP).
- Teachers will avoid activities that involve having students get in close physical contact.
- Staff (in the classroom) must wipe down commonly handled toys.
- A custodian will spray down playground equipment after each class.
- The wearing of face coverings has been added to the dress code.

Transportation

- COVID-19 Transportation bid was advertised, and due July 22, 2020.
- If social distancing cannot be followed on the bus, students will be required to wear a face covering, unless he/she cannot due to a health reason.
- A bus aide will be assigned to all buses.
- Windows will be kept open, when possible.
- The bus aide will have a roster of students each day.
- The bus aide will record the student's temperature utilizing an infrared thermometer PRIOR to the student getting on the bus.
- Should the student have a temperature of 100.3 or higher, he/she will NOT be permitted on the school bus, as to avoid the transmission of infection to other students.

Transportation

- All transportation/buses/vans/vehicles will be cleaned and disinfected between each run.
- If a child was sent home from the bus stop with a temperature, the bus driver will immediately notify the bus company, who will notify the Principal and District Transportation Department via Email to ensure that the student got home safely.
- The Bus Rosters with student names and temperatures will be scanned to the District Transportation Dept. at the end of each day.

Nasal Swab (PCR) Testing COVID-19

The Lakewood School District has partnered with Chemed and Ocean Health Initiatives (OHI) to conduct:

- Nasal Swab Testing (PCR) every **two (2) weeks** on students and staff beginning Monday, July 20, 2020 and will test throughout the 2020-2021 school year via their Mobile Units at each School.
- Students or staff members who test positive and may be asymptomatic will be quarantined and receive instruction or work remotely from home until they test negative.

Chemed and OHI

- The District will provide dates at each School, for students to receive Nasal Swab (PCR) Testing (COVID-19), two weeks prior to the start of school!
- In partnership with OHI and Chemed, students will be encouraged to get seasonal Flu vaccines.

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Ocean Health Initiatives

Monday – July 20, 2020

- **Lakewood High School (9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.)**

Tuesday – July 21, 2020

- **Clifton Avenue – Outdoor Summer Program (9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.)1818181818**

Wednesday – July 22, 2020

- **LECC – ESY (9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.)**

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Chemed

Tuesday – July 21, 2020

- **Lakewood Middle School (9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.)**

Wednesday – July 22, 2020

- **Oak Street School – ESY (9:00 a.m. – 12: 00 p.m.)**

Monday – July 27, 2020

- **Spruce Street– Outdoor Summer Program (9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.)**

Addressing Unfinished Learning after COVID-19 School Closures

The Lakewood School District Curriculum Supervisors and Instructional Coaches are revising the District's Curriculum Framework to include:

Mathematics

- **Daily spiral that includes the previous grade-level.**
- **Prior to each unit, a new document will be added, "Before you teach this unit students need to know..."**

Literacy

- **Embed into the Framework, priority Instructional Content**
- **Address more in-depth reading**

Include Virtual Options across all content areas.

Addressing the Social Emotional Needs of Students

- The Lakewood School District adopted Rethink, a Social-Emotional curriculum that will be embedded into the school day.
- Rethink Professional Development provides an on-demand training series focused on Social-Emotional learning, Equity and Inclusion, and Mental Health for educators.
- The series consists of 38 video-based training modules, 5-8 minutes each, discussion guidelines, research library, instructional guides, and links to correlated student lesson.
- All materials are available in English and Spanish.

THE LAKEWOOD SCHOOL DISTRICT'S
RESTART AND RECOVERY PLAN IS A **LIVE**
DOCUMENT.

THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF ALL STUDENTS AND
STAFF IS OUR TOP PRIORITY!

AS WE PROGRESS IN OUR PLANNING, WE WILL
KEEP YOU UPDATED!