



Mayfield City Schools

EVERY STUDENT. EVERY DAY.

September 17, 2020

Dear Mayfield Teachers, Students, Staff and Families,

I am thrilled to be able to welcome back our students. It has been more than 170 days since students, teachers and staff have been together in our schools since the pandemic began last spring. This is a much anticipated reunion.

3-WEEK PHASE-IN TO IN-PERSON LEARNING

As you know, Monday, September 21st begins the first of a three-week phase-in to in-person learning for students and families who have chosen the in-person learning option.

The remote-online option remains in place for those students and families who choose to continue to learn remotely. Whether in person or remote, we remain Mayfield Together. Let's continue to do the great work we began in August.

We are offering the three-week, phase-in to in-person learning before our proposed 9-week period because of the ongoing decline in state, county and local COVID-19 trend data. If, however, local and county trend data were to significantly rise, we will revert back to a full remote model of learning. As I communicated in my last email, there is no hard and fast metric for a decision to return to full remote learning. Our decision will be based on several data points and recommendations from the Board of Health.

For those students and families who have chosen the in-person learning option, the three-week, phase-in schedule will be:

September 21

- All students in grades PK, Kindergarten, 1, 2, 6 and 9
- Cosmetology students
- CEVEC

September 29

- All students in Grades 3, 4, 5 and 7

October 5

- All students in Grades 8, 10, 11 and 12
- Excel TECC programs housed at Mayfield

Building principals have also communicated specific details for schools and grades related to the in-person and/or remote-only learning options. Please refer to those communications or contact your students' school building with specific questions.

RETURN TO LEARN GUIDE 2020

Many questions and concerns are addressed in the updated Return to Learn 2020 Guide. The guide will provide you with the essential information needed to return to school under the safest conditions possible.

All of the requirements, adjustments and mandates outlined in the Return to Learn 2020 Guide are informed by and in accordance with the recommendations and mandates provided by the Governor's health and safety orders, Centers for Disease Control, Ohio Department of Education, Cuyahoga County Board of Health and the American Academy of Pediatrics.

Please click the link to read our updated [2020 Return to Learn September Vol_2.pdf](#)

SCHOOL ZONE SAFETY- USE CAUTION

Please adhere to all driving safety protocols when you are dropping off/picking up your student/s, as well as when our buses are dropping off/picking up students. Please: Be Patient. Be Kind. Keep our Kids Safe.

TRAVEL ADVISORY

I also want to share a reminder for anyone traveling out of state.

Per the recommendations of the Ohio Department of Health, those entering Ohio after travel to states reporting positive testing rates of 15% or higher for COVID-19 are advised to self-quarantine for 14 days. Please click the link to read more about all travel advisories. [COVID-19 Travel Advisory](#)

THE POSITIVES

I want to again share the positive messages about our teachers and staff who are going the extra mile for students. Here are a few emails from parents that show our commitment to kids and how we remain unified for our students and community.

"I want to start off saying you and your staff are doing an amazing job in remote learning. The structured system now is awesome and both my kids love the experience. All the teachers are really working hard to ensure the students are having a good experience. My daughter's Spanish teacher is a passionate teacher who cares about his students. I am thankful for such teachers." ~ Shirisha G.

"I am quite aware of all of the time and minute details that go into the workings of the district and I truly appreciate all that the Mayfield Staff is doing to provide an excellent education - no matter in which avenue it's provided. Thank you so much for all you do in looking out for our children's safety and well-being!" ~ Amy M.

“I wanted to let you know how much I appreciate all the efforts of the teachers, administrators and staff, creating such a thoughtful and smooth start to the school year. The balance between building community and engaged in meaningful work, is noticed and appreciated.” ~ Sarah D.

“You and your teachers have done an amazing job at being flexible and transparent. Remote learning has been a positive experience for my son! Admittedly, when I work from home I can hear the conversations and discussions the teachers are having with the class. I’m sincerely not surprised that the focus and energy are extraordinary.” ~ Maria C.

Sincerely,
Keith Kelly,
Superintendent