

Avon Local School District

“Soaring Back to School” Learning Plan 2020



July 31, 2020

Our Framework to Operate

Symptom Checks: A symptoms check should be conducted prior to riding the bus or leaving to attend school
<https://www.loraincountyhealth.com/files/COVID-19.pdf>

Distancing: Every effort will be made to keep distancing to six feet when possible

Face coverings: Mandatory face coverings for staff and students while on the bus and in school buildings grades PreK-12

Hand washing and hand sanitizer: Regular hand washing will take place and hand sanitizer will be readily available to staff and students

Limiting movement throughout the buildings: Scheduling adjustments will be implemented to limit movement such as: team scheduling, block scheduling, specials and lunch in classrooms



Education Goals

- High quality, rigorous education experience
- Social-emotional support
- Close to normal school schedules/routines
- Access to all courses/subjects
- Provide extra-curriculars
- Identify and address any closure-related learning gaps
- Ensure technology equity



Social and Emotional Supports

- Social-emotional support for students and staff is more important than ever.
- We will build-in opportunities to help address anxiety, fears and uncertainty.
- Counselors will consult with teachers about students that are in school buildings and virtual learners.
- Our goal is to have children feel a sense of positivity, safety and security.



Preventative Practices for Cleaning

- Professional development for cleaning staff
- Purchase of equipment and supplies that allows for the appropriate amount of cleaning on buses, classrooms, cafeterias, restrooms and playgrounds
- Covering of water fountains; bottle fillers will still be accessible
- Frequent hand washing and hand sanitizing for staff and students
- Additional barriers and equipment for office staff and nurse clinics
- Purchasing and using electrostatic sprayers for rapid sanitizing



Learning Options

Avon Local Schools has the following learning options available to students:

Option A (In-Person/On Campus)

Students (PreK - 8) attend school daily, on-campus with preventive practices in place to minimize risk.

Students (9 - 12) attend school **every other day** with preventative practices in place to minimize risk.

Option B (Digital Learning)

Students (PreK - 12) attend school digitally. Access to instruction and assignments will be provided through a daily schedule.



Option B Digital Learning

- Our digital learning model has been enhanced from what our students experienced in fourth quarter of 2020.
- It is designed with more direct teaching and feedback for our students.
- Digital learning will be conducted by an Avon teacher.
- Students will participate in a structured, **scheduled daily routine**.
- Chromebooks will be available for students attending digitally if needed.
- Parents, who select this option, will be committed to this format for the first half of the year. August 27, 2020 - January 15, 2021



Option B Digital Learning Continued

- A survey will be sent to determine a student's learning option for the second half of the year in December 2020.
- Grades PreK -5 Digital Learners (see sample schedules below).
- Grades 6-12 Digital Learners will be expected to log into Google Meetings set up by their teachers that follow their class schedule.
- **In the event of a mandated school closure due to Covid-19, all students (PreK-12) would follow a daily digital learning schedule.**



Digital Learning Attendance

- Attendance **is required** for digital learning
- Attendance will be taken by:
 - Daily logins to management systems
 - Daily teacher and student interactions such as: messaging, emails, phone calls and video chats
 - Absences will require a phone call to the attendance line.



Digital Learning & Special Education Services

- Parents who choose digital learning for a student who receives services from an Individual Education Plan (IEP) will receive communication from the school they attend to discuss what this will look like digitally.



Avon Early Learning Center (AELC) Plans

- Arrival/Dismissal procedures have been modified to allow for less student contact and social distancing practices.
- Student seating will be arranged to promote physical distancing in classrooms.
- Students will eat lunch in their classrooms.
- Outdoor recesses will be conducted with smaller groups of students and divided into zoned areas.
- Water fountains will be turned off. Students are encouraged to bring a water bottle with their name on it.
- Signage for hallway traffic and sanitizer stations will be posted.
- Students will have physical education in the gym. Art, music, and library will be done in classrooms.
- Visitors will not be permitted in the building. A materials drop-off area will be established near the office.



Tentative PreK & Half Day Kdg Digital Schedule

Subject	Instructional Notes	Monday - Thursday	Friday
Phonics and/or Reading Lesson	Lessons may be delivered live and/or recorded	9:00 - 9:30 a.m.	Administer Assessments Student Support Time Additional Small Group Instruction Time Conferences with Parents
Phonics and Reading Small Group	Small groups of students will meet for 15-20 minutes of direct instruction	9:30 - 10:30 a.m.	
Math Lesson	Lesson may be delivered live and/or recorded	10:30 - 11:00 a.m.	
Math Small Group	Small groups of students will meet for 15-20 minutes of direct instruction	11:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon	
Office Hours/ Intervention/Support Time	Teacher may meet with students individually or conduct additional small group sessions.	12:00 noon-12:30 p.m.	

****Students would be given breaks from digital learning during subject changes and when not attending a small group session.**



Tentative Full Day Kdg Digital Schedule

Subject	Instructional Notes	Monday - Thursday	Friday
Math and/or Reading Lesson	Lessons may be delivered live and/or recorded.	9:00 - 9:45 a.m.	Administer Assessments
Math or Reading Small Group	Small groups of students will meet for 20 minutes of direct instruction.	9:45 - 11:00 a.m.	Student Support Time
Phonics Lesson	Lesson may be delivered live and/or recorded.	11:00 - 11:30 a.m.	Additional Small Group Instruction Time
Lunch/Recess Break		11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.	Conferences with Parents
Math or Reading Small Group	Small groups of students will meet for 20 minutes of direct instruction	12:30 - 1:45 p.m.	
Specials: PE, Music, Art, Library, Tech Time, Social/Emotional Activity	Lesson may be delivered live and/or recorded.	1:45 - 2:15 p.m.	
Office Hours/ Intervention/Support Time	Teacher may meet with students individually or conduct additional small group sessions.	2:15-3:15 p.m.	

****Students will be given breaks from digital learning during subject changes, lunch/recess break, and when they are not attending their small group instruction session.**

Avon East Elementary Plan

- Arrival/Dismissal procedures have been modified to allow for less student contact and social distancing practices.
- Student desks will be arranged to promote physical distancing in classrooms.
- Students will eat lunch in their classrooms and/or designated space.
- Outdoor breaks will be conducted with smaller groups of students and divided into zoned areas.
- Water fountains will be turned off. Students are encouraged to bring a water bottle with their name on it.
- Signage for hallway traffic and sanitizer stations will be posted.
- Students will have physical education in the gym. Art, music, and library will be done in classrooms.
- Visitors will not be permitted in the building. A materials drop-off area will be established near the office.



Tentative Grades 1-2 Digital Schedule

Subject	Instructional Notes	Monday - Thursday	Friday
Math and/or Reading Lesson	Lessons may be delivered live and/or recorded.	9:00 - 9:45 a.m.	Administer Assessments
Math or Reading Small Group	Small groups of students will meet for 20 minutes of direct instruction.	9:45 - 11:00 a.m.	Student Support Time
Phonics Lesson	Lesson may be delivered live and/or recorded.	11:00 - 11:30 a.m.	Additional Small Group Instruction Time
Lunch/Recess Break		11:30 a.m.- 12:30 p.m.	Conferences with Parents
Math or Reading Small Group	Small groups of students will meet for 20 minutes of direct instruction	12:30 - 1:45 p.m.	
Specials: PE, Music, Art, Library, Tech Time, Social/Emotional Activity	Lesson may be delivered live and/or recorded.	1:45 - 2:15 p.m.	
Office Hours/ Intervention/Support Time	Teacher may meet with students individually or conduct additional small group sessions.	2:15-3:15 p.m.	

****Students would be given breaks from digital learning during subject changes, lunch/recess break, and when they are not attending their small group instruction session.**

Heritage Elementary Plan

- Arrival/Dismissal procedures have been modified to allow for less student contact and social distancing practices.
- Student desks will be arranged to promote physical distancing in classrooms.
- Students will not be switching classrooms for subjects. Teachers will move, students will remain in one room.
- Students will eat lunch in their classrooms and/or designated space
- Students will be permitted to carry backpacks. Lockers will not be used.
- Outdoor recesses will be conducted with smaller groups of students and divided into zoned areas.
- Water fountains will be turned off. Students are encouraged to bring a water bottle with their name on it.
- Signage for hallway traffic and sanitizer stations will be posted.
- Students will have physical education in the gym. Art, music, and library will be done in classrooms.
- Visitors will not be permitted in the building. A materials drop-off area will be established near the office.

Tentative Grades 3-5 Digital Schedule

Subject	Instructional Notes	Monday - Thursday	Friday
English Language Arts	Lesson may be recorded and/or live *Includes: Small groups of students meet for 20 minutes of direct instruction.	7:30- 8:45 a.m.	Administer Assessments Review/Wrap Up of Weekly Content Additional Small Group Instruction Time Student/Parent Conferences
Math	Lesson may be recorded and/or live *Includes: Small groups of students meet for 20 minutes of direct instruction.	8:45 - 10:00 a.m.	
Specials: Art/Music/PE/Library/Tech Time/Social Emotional Activities	Live and/or Recorded Activities	10:00 - 10:30 a.m.	
Science	Lesson may be recorded and/or live *3rd Grade Science may be embedded in ELA/Math and those blocks extended.	10:30 - 11:45 a.m.	
Lunch/Recess		11:45 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.	
Social Studies	Lesson may be recorded and/or live *3rd Grade Social Studies may be embedded in ELA/Math and those blocks extended.	12:45 - 2:00 p.m.	
Office Hours/ Intervention/Support	Teacher may meet with students individually or conduct additional small group sessions.	2:00-2:30 p.m.	

****Students would be given breaks from digital learning during subject changes, lunch/recess break, and when they are not attending their small group instruction session.**

Avon Middle School Plan

- Students will be on a block schedule and will go to each course every other day. See the next slide for sample.
- Student desks will be arranged to promote physical distancing in classrooms.
- Students will be permitted to carry backpacks. Lockers will not be used.
- Hallways and staircases will have traffic patterns to assist in social distancing.
- Students will not be able to congregate in the Commons before or after school. Upon arrival, students will report directly to their classrooms.
- The Media Center and other large spaces will be temporarily converted to classrooms.
- Students will eat lunch in the Commons/Auxiliary Gym.
- Water fountains will be turned off. Water bottle fillers will be available. Students should bring a clear water bottle with their name on it.
- Signage for hallway traffic and sanitizer stations will be posted.
- Students will have physical education in the Gym and will not change clothes for class.
- All school assemblies will not be conducted.
- Visitors will not be permitted in the building. A materials drop-off area will be established in the office.



Avon Middle School Plans

On Campus Option

- Students attend school every day.
- Students follow a block schedule (see chart to right).
- The block schedules reduces the amount of daily student movement due to longer periodBas.
- Students follow this two-day schedule and then repeat so they attend the same class every other day.
- Grade 6: Periods 3-5 will accommodate lunches as well as Academic Coaching & study hall.
- Grades 7 and 8: Periods 5-7 will accommodate class time as well as lunches and study hall.

On Campus and Digital Learning Schedule

Students will be expected to follow this schedule digitally at home.

6th Grade		7th and 8th Grades	
SCHEDULE A	SCHEDULE B	SCHEDULE A	SCHEDULE B
Period 1 8:00--9:35	Period 2 8:00--9:35	Period 1 8:00--9:35	Period 2 8:00--9:35
Period 3 9:39--10:07 STUDY HALL	Period 3 9:39--10:07 STUDY HALL	Period 3 9:39--11:14	Period 4 9:39--11:14
Periods 4 / 5 10:09--11:50 LUNCHES/ ACAD. COACHING	Periods 4 / 5 10:09--11:50 LUNCHES/ ACAD. COACHING	Periods 5 / 6A 11:18--12:18 LUNCHES/ CLASSES/STUDY HALL	Period 5 / 6A 11:20--11:50 LUNCHES/ CLASSES/STUDY HALL
Period 7 11:54--1:21	Period 6 11:54--1:21	Periods 6B / 7 11:54--1:21 LUNCHES/ CLASSES/S.H	Periods 6B / 7 11:54--1:21 LUNCHES/ CLASSES/S.H
Period 9 1:25--3:00	Period 8 1:25--3:00	Period 9 1:25--3:00	Period 8 1:25--3:00

Avon High School Plan

- Students will attend classes on a “Odd/Even Days” schedule due to classroom sizes that don’t allow enough space for social distancing (See next slide for details).
- Avon High School will operate on a normal bell schedule, Early Bird through seventh period. Junior/Senior Release is still feasible for first, fourth, sixth and seventh periods.
- Students will not be able to congregate in the Commons before or after school. Upon arrival, students will report directly to their classrooms.
- Student desks will be arranged to physically distance learners; class sizes will be small and distancing ample.
- Students will be permitted to carry backpacks. Lockers will not be used.
- Students will eat lunch in the Commons and Main Gym so as to maintain social distancing.
- Water fountains will be turned off. Water bottle fillers will be available. Students will be encouraged to carry clear water bottles that indicate the name of the student.
- Hand sanitizer stations will be available for student and staff use.
- Hallways and staircases will have traffic patterns to assist in social distancing.
- Assemblies, guest speakers, college recruiters, college representatives will all present virtually.



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On Campus Option	Digital Option
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Students with last names A-K will attend school, in person on even days of the month. (Ex: September 20, 22, 24 and so on.)• Students with last names L-Z will attend school, in person on odd days of the month. (Ex: September 23, 25, 27 and so on.)• Students will follow a traditional seven period school day.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Students with last names A-K will attend class virtually on even days of the month. (Ex: September 20, 22, 24 and so on.)• Students with last names L-Z will attend class virtually on odd days of the month. (Ex: September 23, 25, 27 and so on.)• Online students will follow their traditional seven period school day.• Attendance in the online session is mandatory and will be documented.• Students will be invited into each period of their day via GoogleMeet.• Students will watch live instruction, synchronized with their peers who are on campus.• The coursework and assignments will be submitted digitally and mirror the exact requirements of in-class lessons.

- Students will need to utilize their non-campus days to complete assignments. These days should not be presumed to be “free days” or days in which students are without academic requirements. Each course will provide approximately 20-50 minutes of work on non-campus days.

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Special Education Considerations

- Those students who receive individualized instruction in a small group classroom for their core courses, will be invited to an IEP meeting in August to determine the frequency of attendance. Decisions will be made in accordance with Individuals with Disabilities Act (IDEA) and take into consideration a student's IEP goals.
- All students with an IEP that provides for a support period, will receive support daily, either digitally or on campus.



Protocols for Positive Tests

- In the event that a student or staff member is a confirmed case for Covid-19, school leaders will contact Lorain County Public Health Dept. (LCPHD) for next steps.
- The LCPHD will communicate with individuals who are confirmed Covid-19 cases, school leaders and any close contacts who are identified.
 - Close contacts of Covid-19 cases, typically, are persons who spent more than 10 minutes in close proximity within 6 feet of positive person. LCPHD will determine who is considered a close contact of the case.
- Communication and direction will come from LCPHD for each Covid-19 related situation.



Meetings

- Student-related meetings will be conducted in a digital format as much as possible, such as: IEP/504 meetings.
- We are working on an alternative plan digitally for Open House Nights.
- Fall Parent/Teacher Conferences will be held digitally or through phone calls.



Transportation

- Students will be required to sit in assigned seats based on bus stop order (2 students per seat)
- Facial coverings are required on all busses.
- Hand sanitization will be available at the entrance of the bus.
- Cleaning and sanitizing will occur daily.
- Bus routes will be finalized Mid-August
- Educational field trips requiring transportation will not be scheduled.



Athletics

- Athletics will be governed by the [Ohio High School Athletic Association](#) (OHSAA)
- Additional information and guidelines for visitors to attend athletic events will be provided by Avon Athletic Department



Bring Your Own Chromebook

- Avon Local Schools will be permitting students K-12 to bring their own laptop or Chromebook to school.
- If parents choose to purchase their child his/her own laptop, you can consider a Chromebook instead. Chromebooks are widely used in our district and interface well with the programs and online resources we use with our students. Any laptop will work as long as they have a camera, microphone and are Google-ready.
- While we have Chromebooks available for students to use at school, allowing students to bring their own would reduce the need for students to share devices.
- Our technology department will gladly register personal Chromebooks/laptops on our network for wifi capabilities.



Sample Chromebooks

Here are some sample Chromebooks that will work great in our environment if you are considering purchasing a new one:

https://www.amazon.com/dp/B073RPYFY3/ref=cm_sw_r_em_apai_SMUhFbZ5JQPK1

https://www.amazon.com/dp/B0757FYPBK/ref=cm_sw_r_em_apai_hJUhfBY7J6RQP

https://www.amazon.com/dp/B086JMYMX7/ref=cm_sw_r_em_apai_8JUhfB9EM1B1B



Survey Link

Please click the link below to inform us of the learning option that fits best for your child(ren) this fall.

<https://survey.k12insight.com/r/pnxphX>

Thank you!



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