



Twinsburg City School District Re-Opening Plan, 2021-22 School Year (As of June 23, 2021, Subject to Change)

The following overview is provided to give you initial details about the Twinsburg City School District's Reopening Plan for the 2021-22 School Year. It has been our practice to publish an inclusive document, however, given the evolving nature of the COVID-19 pandemic, we will not publish that document until closer to the beginning of the school year. In the meantime, we hope you find this information helpful.

During the week of June 28th, a Parent Declaration Survey will be forwarded to our families. The information submitted through the survey will assist the District in finalizing class rosters, master schedules, transportation routes, etc.

Elementary Class Lists will not be available until Wednesday, August 11, 2021.

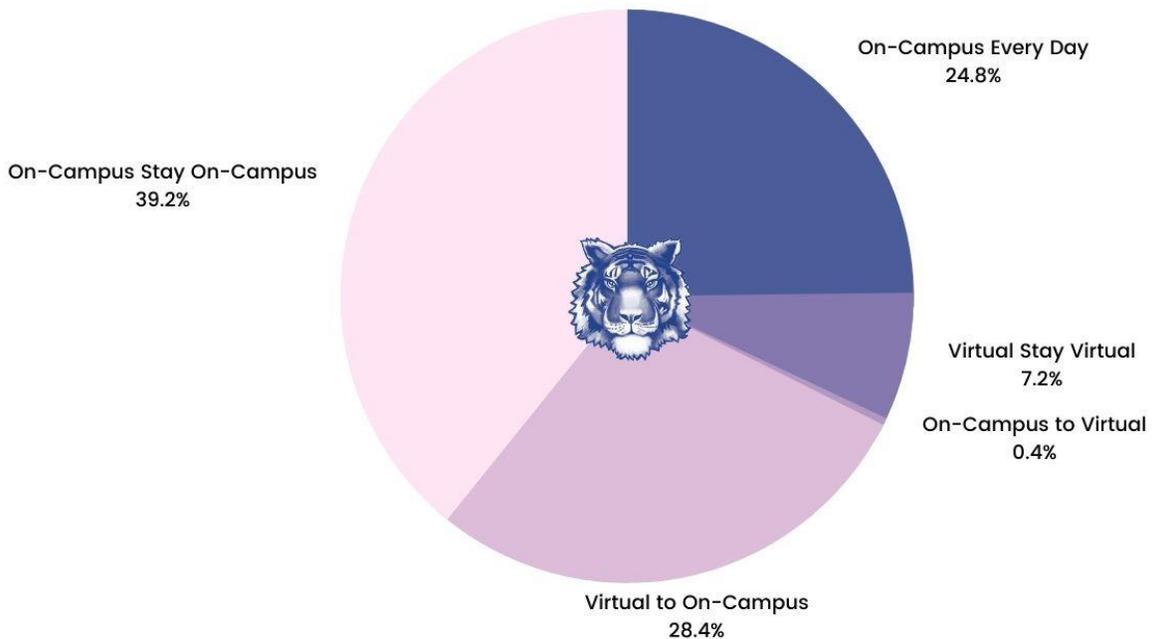
Although we know that our families desire conclusive information, the pandemic requires everyone to remain flexible, thus, the information included in this document is subject to change. We sincerely appreciate your patience, understanding, and support.

With students at the center of our planning, our goal is to provide a healthy and safe school environment while welcoming them back to everyday on-campus learning. This plan is tentative based on the Superintendent's recommendations. Changes can be influenced by numerous factors and our Twinsburg City School District community will be kept up-to-date throughout the summer.

Parent Feedback

Parents, students in grades 6 – 12, and staff members were surveyed in March 2021 with more than 1,700 parents responding to the Parent Survey. Here are the results of that Parent Survey:

Parent Survey, March 2021: School Choice Options



On-Campus

We desire for our students and our staff members to return to On-Campus teaching and learning beginning in August 2021.

Virtual Option (If authorized by legislative action)

If a parent desires a Virtual Option for their child for the 2021-22 school year, the parent will be directed to Ohio Online Learning which is an online learning program sponsored by the Educational Service Center of Northeast Ohio. Students who enroll in the Ohio Online Learning Program would remain enrolled in the Twinsburg City School District. For more information about Ohio Online Learning, please visit:

https://www.escneo.org/ohionlinelearningprogram_home.aspx

Criteria to Participate in the Virtual Option

Due to concerns related to attendance and the academic performance of some students who participated in the Twinsburg Virtual Academy during the 2020-21 school year, criteria is now established for students' participation in the Virtual Option. Each student's application for participation in the Virtual Option will not be finalized until the application is reviewed against the following criteria:

Disqualifying criteria will include:

- 2020-21 Attendance:
 - Students with 72 or more hours of absence without an excuse during the 2020-21 school year (considered habitually truant)

and/or

- Students who have been absent two (2) days per month for nine (9) months during the 2020-21 school year (considered chronically absent as defined by ESSA).

Disqualifying criteria will also include:

- 2020-21 Grades:
 - D's and/or F's in two (2) or more subjects during two (2) or more quarters and/or
 - Grades lowered by two (2) letter grades in two (2) or more subjects for two (2) or more quarters

Other criteria which will be considered for participation in the Virtual Option include:

- Educator Feedback
 - Rubric completed by the child's teacher(s), school counselor, or principal regarding performance during the 2020-21 school year.
 - The rubric will ask the following regarding the 2020-21 school year:
 - Did the student attend school regularly this year (log in on time for all classes?)
 - Did the parent communicate with the school about all absences?
 - Did the student complete independent work?

- Was the student's work completed and submitted on time and completed properly as evidenced by 2020-21 Progress Book marks?
 - Did the student make academic progress?
 - Was the student punctual and ready to learn?
 - Did the student attend contact time and/or other intervention periods?
 - Did the student exhibit appropriate behavior while learning virtually?
 - For high school students, is the student credit deficient?
- IEP Team feedback
 - Attendance Intervention Team feedback
 - Medical documentation that the Ohio Online Learning option is necessary due to the needs of a student and/or immediate family member
 - Other extenuating circumstances to be considered by the school principal

School Building Alignment, 2021-22

Given our anticipated on-campus student enrollment and with social distance measures of greater than three (3) feet but less than six (6) feet, the following School Realignment Plan is recommended:

Wilcox Primary School – Preschool – Grade 1

Samuel Bissell Elementary School – Grades 2 & 3

George G. Dodge Intermediate School – Grades 4, 5 & ½ of Grade 6

RB Chamberlin Middle School – Grades 7 – 8 & ½ of Grade 6

Twinsburg High School – Grades 9 - 12

School Start & End Times, 2021-22

2021-22 Start & End Times



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	School Day Begins	School Day Ends
Twinsburg High School (Grades 9-12)	8:05 a.m.	2:55 p.m.
R.B. Chamberlin (Grades 6-8)	7:25 a.m.	2:20 p.m.
Dodge (Grades 4-6)	7:15 a.m.	2:10 p.m.
Bissell (Grades 2 & 3)	8:30 a.m.	3:20 p.m.
Wilcox (Grades K & 1)	9:00 a.m.	3:50 p.m.
AM Preschool	9:05 a.m.	11:35 a.m.
PM Preschool	1:15 p.m.	3:45 p.m.

Lunch & Breakfast

Meals will continue to be served in the classrooms given the requirement for social distance while enjoying meals.

Recess

Students will enjoy recess in their class cohorts and will be permitted to use playground equipment on a rotational basis.

Transportation

According to Summit County Public Health, the CDC has issued orders that require masks to be worn by all travelers while on public transportation which includes all passengers and all personnel operating conveyances including school buses and vans.

- Bus routes are currently in development
- Two students per seat, 48 student capacity

- Introduction of *Stopfinder* in August 2021. Through an app, *Stopfinder* will enable parents to know when their child's school bus is up to 500 yards from their bus stop.

Health Services

- Staffing
 - Full-time District Nurse
- Projected Clinics at Each Campus:
 - Wilcox Primary School: 2 clinics
 - Samuel Bissell Elementary School: 2 clinics
 - George G. Dodge Intermediate School: 2 clinics
 - R.B. Chamberlin Middle School: 2 clinics
 - Twinsburg High School: 1 clinic

One (1) clinic at each campus to have hours for the duration of the school day.

Social Distancing

Per the CDC's guidance of March 19, 2021:

"In elementary schools, students should be at least three (3) feet apart; in middle and high schools, students should be at least three (3) feet apart in areas of low, moderate, or substantial community transmission."

Survey results indicate support for a social distance measure of less than six (6) feet but greater than three (3) feet. Therefore, the following social distance measures will be used in our schools:

- Social Distance between students in Preschool – Grade 8 will be at least 4 feet.
- Social Distance between students in Grades 9 – 12 will be at least 4.5 feet.

The following adheres to Ohio Department of Health Guidelines as January 5, 2021:

Students and adults in K-12 schools may continue to attend in-person school, even during a normal quarantine period, if the following conditions are met:

1. The school documented and implemented COVID-19 prevention policies that include:
 - a. Universal mask wearing

- b. Social distancing
 - c. Hand washing
 - d. Identification and management of students exhibiting COVID-19 symptoms
 - e. Routine environmental cleaning & disinfection protocols
2. Exposure occurs within a classroom environment with adherence to the above prevention steps.
 3. The person with COVID-19 and any associated contacts were wearing face masks that covered their nose and mouth at all times.
 - a. During meals (masks off) students must have been at least 6 feet apart.
 4. Social distancing has been maintained.

The above apply to CLASSROOM exposures only. Students who have not been vaccinated should not attend in-person classes if they are exposed to COVID-19 outside the classroom. This includes exposure during interactions with family and friends, as well as sports or other extracurricular activities, regardless of mask use during those activities.

What does that mean for my child?

In short, if the COVID-19 vaccine was fully administered to your child (inclusive of the two-week period of time required following the last vaccination), he/she would not need to quarantine.

However, if your child has not been fully vaccinated and he/she was exposed in class (and the above prevention steps were in place) your child will be allowed to continue coming to school. He/she will not be permitted to attend any extracurricular activities (sports, clubs, etc.) until the 14 day quarantine period has passed.

- If your child's classroom exposure was 6 feet or beyond: no restrictions
- If your child's classroom exposure was within 3-6 feet: may attend class, but no extracurricular activities
- If your child's classroom exposure was less than 3 feet for a period of greater than 15 minutes: traditional, at-home quarantine for 14 days
- If the COVID-19 vaccine was fully administered to your child, he/she would not need to quarantine.

Masking

According to Summit County Public Health, the CDC has issued orders that require masks to be worn by all travelers while on public transportation which includes all passengers and all personnel operating conveyances including school buses and vans.

The Summit County Public Health Department continues to recommend the usage of masks and social distancing strategies for all unvaccinated individuals.

Per the current CDC guidance, subject to change:

- Students younger than the age of 12 are currently not vaccinated, therefore, masks will be required for students younger than the age of 12 with the exception of Preschool. It will be strongly recommended for Preschool students to wear masks.
- Staff members who teach or supervise students who are younger than 12 years of age will be required to wear masks.
- Students younger than 12 years of age are not required to wear masks while actively engaged in physical activities.
- In the sixth grade where students may be 11 or 12 years of age, all students will be required to wear masks while in school unless actively engaged in physical activities.
- As the COVID-19 vaccine is now available for all students, ages 12 – 18, students in this age range are not required to wear masks in school. However, it is still recommended for unvaccinated students to wear masks in school.
- Staff members who work with students ages 12 – 18, are not required to wear masks while working with students in school, unless working with medically fragile students. However, it is still recommended for unvaccinated staff members to wear masks while working in our schools.