

Molalla River School District  
Hybrid Learning- 2020-2021 School Year  
FAQ's

**General Questions regarding Hybrid Distance Learning**

- Q. What is the Hybrid Learning model?  
A. A hybrid learning model is when student groups have access to in-person instruction using staggered schedules and cohosting techniques on specific days of the week. On-site instruction is supplemented with Comprehensive Distance Learning, on alternate days of the week.
- Q. I have students in both elementary and secondary grades. Are you planning to align at-home learning days across the different grade levels?  
A. Efforts are being made to ensure family schedules (days students are attending in-person instruction) are aligned K-12.
- Q. Will teachers be available to my student during at-home learning days?  
A. When one cohort of students is participating in at-home learning, the classroom teacher will be teaching the other cohort, live. The teacher will make online learning tasks as clear as possible and will be available to answer further questions the following school day or the day each week identified for office hours.
- Q. When MRSD moves into the hybrid learning model, has the decision been made if students will attend two consecutive days or two alternating days? And which day will be the "no contact" applied learning day?  
A. The decision has been made to have cohorts attend 2 consecutive days- Mon/Tues and Thurs/Fri. With Wednesday as the district-wide "no-contact" applied learning day for students.

**Health and Safety Processes and Protocols**

- Q. Will you take temperatures as students arrive?  
A. We will do visual checks, but not take temperatures each day. Temperature taking is not a current requirement and has not proven to improve case finding in other school settings.
- Q. Will masks be required for all students and staff?  
A. Yes, Face coverings will be required for all students and staff per updated ODE and OHA guidelines.
- Q. Do you have a plan or guidance regarding what happens if a student or staff member tests positive? Will everyone who was in the class be required to quarantine?  
A. Currently individuals who have been in close contact with a confirmed case are required to stay home and self monitor. Because of the possible overlap in students at the HS level, school closure is a possibility. The decision will be based on multiple factors such as number of cases and exposure time at school. Any exclusion of cohorts or closure from cases or outbreaks will be made in collaboration with Clackamas County public health. Review our full [Communicable disease plan/Covid-19 addendum/Response to Outbreak](#)

### **School Buildings and Operations**

- Q. Will classrooms and common areas be cleaned and disinfected on a daily basis?  
A. Yes, all classrooms will be cleaned and disinfected daily, and between different groups (cohorts) of students. Review the Covid-19 cleaning protocols [here](#)
- Q. Are there any health issues from wearing face coverings for hours at a time?  
A. We are not aware of any health issues from wearing face coverings for extended periods of time.
- Q. Are we considering mechanical upgrades to the buildings, like adding particulate removers?  
A. With a grant, our systems actually received a mechanical upgrade this year, and advanced filters were added.

### **Transportation**

- Q. How will bus transportation be monitored for safety?  
A. There is specific guidance from ODE regarding bus safety. You can access these guidelines [here](#)

### **Access to Technology and Technology Support**

- Q. We borrowed a Chromebook for our student last spring for at-home learning. Will these be available again for the new school year?  
A. Yes, Chromebooks will be provided to every student that needs one.
- Q. I do not have reliable internet service at home and feel like my student will be at a huge disadvantage if they cannot access the at-home learning resources. Can you help with that?  
A. Yes, the district recognizes not all families currently have internet access. We have surveyed our community to determine the level of need. Our community partner, Molalla Communications is ready to assist all families within their service area. Molalla Communications can be reached at (503) 829-1100

### **Nutrition and Access to Meals**

- Q. Will school breakfast and lunch be available when whenever the hybrid learning model?  
A. Yes. We anticipate offering standard meal service when student's are in our school buildings while in the hybrid learning model. Additionally, we will have meals available for pick-up or delivery for days when students are learning from home.

Last March, the Molalla River School District applied for and received a USDA waiver that enabled us to offer meals at no charge to all children (up to 18) in our community. This **waiver has been extended through 12/31/20**. This means we are able to provide meals to all children at no cost as we begin the new school year.

As we are unsure if that waiver will be extended beyond December of this year, we encourage all families to complete the application for the Free/Reduced lunch program. More families will qualify for this benefit under the new expanded income guidelines. Even if you think you might not qualify, please take a minute to apply through the district website. You can find the application on our website under the Parent / Nutrition/Free/Reduced lunch program. If you have any questions please contact the Nutrition Service Office at 503-759-7478.

#### Meal Service Options for the start of the 2020-2021 School Year

Beginning September 8th, we will only offer Grab-and-Go meal service. Our delivery option, described below will begin on Monday, September 14th. Even if you sign up for our delivery option, you will need pick-up your student's meals at our Grab-and-Go site until our first day of scheduled deliveries.

#### **Grab and Go:**

There will be a daily curbside meal pick-up option at Molalla Elementary School between 10am to 12pm.

#### **Delivery Option:**

MRSD will be delivering meals to students twice a week on Monday and Wednesday. Monday deliveries will consist of 2 breakfasts and 2 lunches, and Wednesday deliveries will consist of 3 breakfasts and 3 lunches. You will have the option to select Monday delivery only, Wednesday delivery only or both.