



RESTART/REOPEN 2020-2021

MONROE LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

July 14, 2020

Dear Monroe Parents/Guardians:

I am sharing several key documents from our Restart/Reopen planning. These documents are not in final form; revisions will continue to be made as guidance changes and we refine our plans. In the upcoming weeks, the district will be sending weekly updates, FAQs, social media posts, and informational videos to parents to help with the transition to these new learning options.

In this email, we are sharing a video message, a one-page overview of our health and safety protocols, and a link below to our most current detailed reopening plan.

YouTube Live Q&A

The district is hosting two YouTube Live Q&A sessions focused on our Restart/Reopen Plans: Thursday, July 16, 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Join at https://youtu.be/A_K6kf3up6c

Submit questions in advance by July 16 at 12 noon via email
[@mlsrestart2020@monroelocalschools.com](mailto:mlsrestart2020@monroelocalschools.com)

Mark your calendar for the second YouTube Live Q&A is scheduled for August 18, from 6:30-7:30 pm. Details on this session will be shared in the upcoming weeks.

If you are unable to attend at these times, the YouTube Live Q&A sessions will be recorded and posted on the district website.

Learning Options for 2020-2021

Monroe Local Schools is offering the following learning options for the fall:

OPTION A

Students in-person and in-buildings daily with elevated safety protocols. We realize parents may not wish to send their child back in the fall so we are offering an Option A1 which is a remote learning choice.

OPTION A1

Students at home daily using individual online learning platform with some support from a Monroe Local School District teacher. Parent choice with a one-semester commitment.

OPTION B: (If state and local regulations determine we require additional social distancing, we will shift to a hybrid model)

Planning is underway for a hybrid model that combines in-person learning with online learning. Details to be released the week of July 20.

OPTION C: (If state and local regulations require a school closure, we will shift into remote learning delivered by each student's teacher)

Students at home daily for remote learning due to required school closing based on state and local regulations.

2020-2021 School Operating Plans

Our team has developed the following plan in collaboration with the Butler County Health Department and current guidelines issued by the Governor, Ohio Department of Health, and the Ohio Department of Education. This plan is subject to change based on the most current health data and safety guidelines available.

- [2020-2021 MLS School Restart/Reopen Operating Plans](#)*
- [Highlights of Restart/Reopen Health and Safety Protocols](#) (one-page summary)

**When we have made additions/changes to the plan, we will post the date and summary of the update at the end of the reopening planning document*

Video Message

Please take a few minutes to watch a short video highlighting our Restart/Reopen Plans.
<https://youtu.be/kepoEzj1EBM>

New Remote Learning Model

Based on the most recent parent survey, parents of approximately 280 students are interested in the remote learning option for fall. Our remote learning model for the 2020-21 school year will look different from what was offered in the spring when teachers led all of the remote instruction.

In the remote learning model for the fall, instruction will be delivered through a digital platform with support from a Monroe teacher. Monroe Schools will have a Remote Learning Coordinator and teachers supporting and facilitating this model above and beyond the workday. There will be set hours during the week when the teacher will be available to answer student and parent questions, assist with technology support, encourage their students to stay active with their courses, and conduct assessments and grading.

Within the next two weeks, Monroe School District will be sharing details and a registration form for the remote learning option. Any family interested in the remote learning option must attend an orientation session (TBD). Parents will be sent a remote learning registration form to be completed and submitted. Parents must commit to one full semester of remote learning. Prior to the end of the first semester, parents must then decide if they want their child to continue with remote learning or return to in-person classes for the second semester. The remote learning contract must be renewed prior to the start of the next semester.

New Parent Portal

Monroe Local Schools is using a new parent portal called OneView that will allow parents to access annual student forms and provide important emergency contact information online. All paperwork and forms normally sent home during the first week of school can now be completed on OneView. This system will be more convenient for parents and provide a digital platform to send out district and building level emails and ensure all parents receive our email communication. OneView will be accessible to families beginning Wednesday, July 15.

A parent account can be created on the OneView Portal link accessible through our website at www.monroelocalschools.com under the “Enrollment” tab. The district is asking that all parents complete these online forms by August 10, 2020. Directions for setting up this account are included on the website.

Important Dates

July 15	OneView Parent Portal opens to families
July 16	YouTube Live Parent Q&A meeting from 4:30-5:30 p.m. Submit questions to mlsrestart2020@monroelocalschools.com by 12 noon
August 10	Parents must update student forms online via OneView
August 17-21	MLS Staff Professional Development Week
August 18	YouTube Live Parent Q&A meeting from 6:30-7:30 p.m.
August 24	First day of school

Thank you for your continued patience and support as we work together to offer the best learning options available with the most current health and safety protocols in place.

Sincerely,
Kathy Demers