



CROSSWIND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL FAQs

Dear Crosswind Families,

Thank you for the opportunity to work together this year! I appreciate the questions families shared and I will continue to provide updated information as it becomes available. Our goal is for our students and families to return to our building and to feel safe to do so. We also know some families will choose our Virtual Academy option for a variety of reasons and we will work to support all of our learners. Regardless of the pathway you choose for learning this year, we plan to offer the same high level of instruction and rigor that Collierville Schools consistently strives to provide.

I'm grateful for the opportunity to serve your children at this time and always! Thank you.

Kristie Murin, Principal

Will students have their temperature taken before coming into school?

- All parents/caregivers are expected to conduct a daily wellness check for their child(ren) using the Collierville Schools Wellness Check Form. This form is to be completed at home and parents will not need to provide the school with a copy. <https://4.files.edl.io/b665/07/15/20/134704-591fb07c-2882-4511-98a2-c035e70636e8.pdf>
- Nurses may perform student or staff temperature screenings at any time throughout the school day.

What if a student or teacher displays symptoms of COVID-19 or they have a positive diagnosis for COVID-19?

- Collierville Schools will be releasing additional guidance and procedures this week.

Will we still have Open House and Curriculum Night?

- Based on Collierville Schools' re-entry plan, large events will be held virtually. Teachers are working on creating introductory videos and we will be creating a Virtual Open House video soon. Our anticipated date for our Virtual Open House is Wednesday, August 19th. More information to come.

Will there be adjustments to the car rider line this year?

- We anticipate a larger car rider line this year. To safely and efficiently get our children into the building, families who bring their students to school must remain in their vehicles and follow the car rider line. Please be patient with our car rider line staff. *I will monitor the line and make any needed adjustments after Labor Day.*
- *Important change in procedures; CWES faculty will signal when it is clear for a child to exit/enter their car. The child will open and close their own car door.*

I read parents may not come into the building for lunch and meetings will be held online. What if my child forgets something at home?

- Parents dropping off items throughout the day, such as lunch boxes or tennis shoes will be able to drop them in the main foyer. Our CWES staff will be sure to get these items to your child.
- All visitors in the building must wear a mask.

Will children be provided with a mask?

- Collierville Schools will provide one cloth mask for each student. We will have additional disposable masks on hand while supplies last for children who may need a replacement mask during the day.

Will my child be able to eat breakfast?

- Breakfast will be served daily and students will be able to eat in the cafeteria, following social distancing guidelines.

Will my child be able to bring a water bottle to school?

- Families should provide their student(s) with a spill-proof water bottle from home. Please label the bottle with your child's name. These water bottles can be refilled throughout the day with our NEW water bottle refill stations. However, our water fountains will be turned off. It is recommended students bring a plastic water bottle.

What will class size be this year? Will there be any adjustments to class size?

- We will not know our class sizes until we know the number of families who opt for the Virtual Academy.

How will we meet our child's teacher?

- Orientation Day has been moved to August 11th. Collierville Schools will be providing more information soon. Teachers are working on creating introductory videos for their students.

How will we know who our child's teacher is?

- Homeroom teachers will reach out to parents before the first day of school to introduce themselves. Communication is a priority and we look forward to communicating together this year.

What if my child has a runny nose due to allergies, may he still come to school?

- Yes. Please refer to the Collierville Schools Wellness Check Form for additional guidance.

Will children still have LAMPS classes?

- Yes, students will have Library, Music, Art, P.E. and STEM classes this year. The LAMPS teachers will come into the homeroom classrooms to limit movement.
- Yes, students will have P.E. We are working on plans to have P.E. in the gym. More information to come.

Will my child eat lunch in the classroom?

- Students will eat lunch in the classroom to limit movement. Students may still purchase a lunch from the cafeteria. Students will pre-order their lunch selection in the morning, choosing from two different entrees. Students will receive their hot lunch in a pre-packaged container.

What will the classroom set-up look like?

- Plans are under way for a Virtual Open House where we take parents and students through a tour of the school.

Will students in 3-5 switch classes?

- Students in grades 3-5 will remain with their homeroom class. The team teachers will rotate into the classroom.

Will students participating in the Virtual Academy still receive their special education services?

- IEPs and 504s will be accommodated for both students who choose the traditional option and for students who are in the Virtual Academy.

Will students still have recess?

- Yes! We understand the importance of children having recess. While the playground equipment may not be used at this time, our P.E. teachers and classroom teachers are working together to create fun activities students can do outside while maintaining social distancing.
- We are also encouraging our teachers to take students for 'Soaring Eagle Walks' as the schedule and weather permits.

Will there be extra cleaning of the school?

- Each classroom will be equipped with hand sanitizing stations, along with cleaning supplies and wipes that will be available when needed. All buildings will be cleaned on a daily basis and intermittently throughout the school day. Additional custodial staff will be on site to focus on the sanitation of each school.

Will there be extra cleaning of the bathrooms? Will bathroom breaks be restricted?

- Custodial staff will clean/disinfect frequently touched surfaces.
- Hand sanitizing stations will be set up in the classrooms.
- Kindergarten classrooms have sinks, paper towels, hand soap and hand sanitizer.
- Students may bring their own hand sanitizer to school. If students opt to bring their own hand sanitizer, it is recommended the hand sanitizer have a cap that can be securely closed. Please send unscented hand sanitizers. Some students and employees have allergies to the scented hand sanitizers.
- Students will follow social distancing guidelines while using the restroom.
- Classroom schedules will allow for specific designated times to perform student hand-washing.

How will my child find their classroom on the first day?

- All of our LAMPS teachers and administrators will help students find their classes during those first couple of days. Please be assured we will make sure each child safely gets to their classroom. Also, our Virtual Open House will provide a tour of the school so students can 'see' where their grade level is in the building.

Are Kindergarten parents able to walk their child to class?

- Kindergarten parents will be able to walk their child to the classroom on their assigned staggered day.

Collierville Schools released additional information this week on the Virtual Academy and the district will continue to update information. Please direct any questions regarding the Virtual Academy to cvacademy@colliervilleschools.org.

I did want to share one important distinction regarding the difference between Remote Learning and the Collierville Virtual Academy. The Collierville Virtual Academy is not a response to COVID-19 and is an academy the district plans to continue to offer to families even after the threat of COVID-19 has passed. It may be easiest to think of the Virtual Academy as the 10th school in the district. Remote Learning is for those students who selected the traditional in-person option and school is forced to close for various reasons. The students engaged in Remote Learning will receive instruction from their current teacher via SeeSaw (k-2) or Schoology (3-5).

Please do not hesitate to reach out if you have any additional questions or concerns. Please know I will continue to share information as it become available.

Please note this information may change as new guidelines and information becomes available.

