

## **Liberty School District**

### **Reopening Schools Announcement**

August 11, 2020

The Liberty School Board held a special meeting to discuss the plan for reopening district schools. By unanimous vote, the school board agreed to the following plans for the reopening of Liberty Elementary/Junior High and Liberty High School: School will begin with remote online learning, transitioning into a hybrid A/B schedule two weeks later.

Beginning tentatively on Wednesday September 2<sup>nd</sup>, the Liberty School District will open and begin instruction with remote learning. In remote learning, all student learning is conducted at home through online interaction and teaching with Liberty School District teachers in all grades K-12.

On Monday September 21<sup>st</sup>, The school district plans to convert over to a Hybrid A/B schedule for all students K-12. With the hybrid schedule, all students will be divided into two groups. The two groups would be equal in number with equal numbers of students in each group for each classroom K-6. All attempts will be made for grades 7-12 to be divided so that individual classes will be as equal as possible. Attendance of students in grades K-5 will be monitored and assessed to determine when a shift to having all students K-5 can be made.

The decision to open first remotely then move into a hybrid schedule was not taken lightly. The need for the first two weeks to be remote learning was stressed by local and regional health officials as well as district liability underwriters. In addition statewide co-op purchases of required PPE Health Safety equipment may be running behind their expected delivery dates. As this is required equipment and supplies needed for opening the school to face to face instruction, the two week remote start gives the school more time for training and to insure all needed safety supplies are here.

In both the remote and hybrid learning plans, high needs IEP, Special Education, students will be brought to school, and worked with individually or in small groups with proper safety guidelines being followed. In addition, plans are being made for students who do not have Internet connectivity at home to come to school for instruction on a set schedule when using the remote learning model.

When the school begins, our students and their families will have three options of educational services through Liberty School District.

### **Option 1**

School-paced virtual learning or hybrid A/B schedule with a preference to transition to in-person at the school when safe to do so.

- This option will be led by Liberty teachers and allows students to return to in-person learning when it is available.
- If you are confident that you want your student to return to in-person learning when it becomes available this is the best option for you.

### **Option 2**

School-paced virtual learning with a preference to stay virtual for the remainder of the school year.

- This option will be led by a Liberty teacher and allows students to learn virtually for the entire school year.
- If you would like to have your student remain in virtual learning and connected to a Liberty teacher for part of or the entire school year, this would be the best option for you.

### **Option 3**

Self-paced virtual learning in the four core subjects, with a preference to stay virtual through the first semester, or the entire school year.

- This option allows students to work at their own pace to complete assignments over the course of the semester or school year.
- Students will be partnered with a teacher from Edgenuity who will assign lessons, provide feedback, and issue final grades.
- If you plan to have your student work learning virtually for the school year and prefer the flexibility to move the curriculum at your pace this would be the best option for you.

Members of the Liberty School District will soon begin making calls attempting to personally contact all families. When calling, the school district representative will be asking several questions including: Which of the three above options will your students use to attend school this year. Do you have Internet connectivity and if not, what is available to you. HotSpot WIFI devices will be available for families without connectivity but do have cell service. In addition, families whose children are on the free/reduced lunch program may qualify to have an Internet provider connect you for one year at no charge.

On Wednesday August 12, 2020 at 6:00 PM, the Liberty School District will hold a virtual Community Forum on zoom. [Zoom Community Forum Link](#) You can also join the meeting by calling: **1 253 215 8782 Meeting ID: 996 8712 2205**

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Tentative 7-12 Draft schedule for Hybrid A/B and Remote Learning

	Monday A	Tuesday A	Wednesday Remote	Thursday B	Friday B
7:50-8:15	Teacher Readiness	Staff meeting	Teacher Readiness	Teacher Readiness	Teacher Readiness
8:20-8:45	Real Time Advisory Social Emotional	Real Time Advisory Social Emotional	Real Time Advisory Social Emotional	Real Time Advisory Social Emotional	Real Time Advisory Social Emotional
8:50-9:50	Real Time 1st Period	Real Time 5th Period	Real Time 8:50-9:20 1st PD 9:25-9:55 2nd PD 10:00-10:30 3rd PD 10:35-11:05 4th PD 11:10-11:40 5th PD	Real Time 1st Period	Real Time 5th Period
9:55-10:55	Real Time 2nd Period	Real Time 6th Period		Real Time 2nd Period	Real Time 6th Period
11:00-12:00	Real Time 3rd Period	Real Time 7th Period		Real Time 3rd Period	Real Time 7th Period
12:00-1:00	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
1:00-2:00	Real Time 4th Period	Advisory LAB/Support	Real Time 1:00-1:30 6th PD 1:35-2:05 7th PD	Real Time 4th Period	Advisory LAB/Support
2:00-2:30	Independent Work Periods 1-7	Independent Work Periods 1-7	Independent Work Periods 1-7	Independent Work Periods 1-7	Independent Work Periods 1-7
2:30-3:00	Student & Parent Teacher Access Time	Student & Parent Teacher Access Time	Student & Parent Teacher Access Time	Student & Parent Teacher Access Time	Student & Parent Teacher Access Time
3:00-3:20	Teacher Readiness	Teacher Readiness	Teacher Readiness	Teacher Readiness	Teacher Readiness

8-11-2020 Tentative K-5 Draft Schedule for Hybrid A/B and Remote Learning

	Monday A	Tuesday A	Wednesday Remote	Thursday B	Friday B
7:50-8:10 a.m.	Teacher Readiness Time	Staff Meetings	Teacher Readiness Time	Teacher Readiness Time	Teacher Readiness Time
8:10-8:30 a.m.	Real Time Class Meeting: Social-Emotional Learning	Real Time Class Meeting: Social-Emotional Learning	Real Time Class Meeting: Social-Emotional Learning	Real Time Class Meeting: Social-Emotional Learning	Real Time Class Meeting: Social-Emotional Learning
8:30-9:30 a.m.	Real Time Instruction Block 1	Real Time Instruction Block 1	Real Time Instruction Block 1	Real Time Instruction Block 1	Real Time Instruction Block 1
9:30-10:30 a.m.	Real Time Instruction Block 2	Real Time Instruction Block 2	Real Time Instruction Block 2	Real Time Instruction Block 2	Real Time Instruction Block 2
10:30-11:30 a.m.	Real Time Instruction Block 3	Real Time Instruction Block 3	Real Time Instruction Block 3	Real Time Instruction Block 3	Real Time Instruction Block 3
11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
12:30-1:30 p.m.	Real Time Meeting/Collaboration	Real Time Meeting/Collaboration	Real Time Meeting/Collaboration	Real Time Meeting/Collaboration	Real Time Meeting/Collaboration
1:30-2:10 p.m.	Personalized Learning Block	Personalized Learning Block	Personalized Learning Block	Personalized Learning Block	Personalized Learning Block
2:10-2:50 p.m.	Student & Parent Access Time	Student & Parent Access Time	Student & Parent Access Time	Student & Parent Access Time	Student & Parent Access Time

2:50-3:20 p.m.	Teacher Readiness Time	Teacher Readiness Time	Teacher Readiness Time	Teacher Readiness Time	Teacher Readiness Time
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