

# LCS RETURN TO SCHOOL UPDATE



## STAY CLEAN, STAY SAFE



As part of our Return to School Plan, all classrooms will be fitted with hand sanitizer stations either fixed to the wall or at tabletops. Students are also required to use district-provided hand sanitizer before getting on the bus.

Each elementary building will have classroom cleaning procedures in place to ensure they are cleaned routinely. This includes frequently-touched areas. Our specials staff (art, music, PE, etc.) will disinfect all commonly-used materials.

At the secondary level, principals have been tasked with the development of a building schedule for routine cleaning that will ensure all desks will be disinfected before each class.

Additional masks and cleaning materials will be available at all schools.

## TASK FORCE SUPPORTS PHASED-IN RETURN PLAN

Our return to school is right around the corner! We would like to take this opportunity to let you know what we've been doing for the last several weeks to prepare to welcome all students back to school safely.

In order to make certain students, staff and parents have all the assurances necessary to feel confident in returning to school, the District created the Return to School Task Force. The Task

Force solicited feedback from parents, school board members, teachers, students, administrators and support staff in order to ensure our return is as successful as possible.

We received a large amount of feedback and, with it, we were able to create a plan that we believe will make our return to school a resounding success.

To that end, the timeline, laid out on the following page, was supported by

the Task Force and will serve as the basis of our phased-in return to school, which will see students back in the classroom starting **September 30 (hybrid day)**.

Suffice it to say, we could not be more excited to see our students back in school. As always, thank you for your patience as we have navigated this challenging time together.

**BoltUp!**



**Reminders:** All students and staff are required to wear masks except while eating. Students and staff members who cannot medically tolerate a mask must submit a note from a physician before coming to school.

All parents are encouraged to make use of the COVID-19 screening tool, found on the main page of the District website. **Please do not send any student with symptoms to school.**

# RETURN TO SCHOOL TIMELINE

Friday, Sept. 25	Monday, Sept. 28	Tuesday, Sept. 29	Wednesday, Sept 30.	Thursday, Oct. 1	Friday, Oct. 2	Monday, Oct. 5
Student work day from home  Teachers publish Google Classroom activities for the week of Sept. 28-Oct. 2	Zoom day from home for all students	Student work day from home  Zoom from home for elementary specials (art, music, PE)	Hybrid day: Students with last names A-L report to school  M-Z students complete coursework on Google Classroom from home	Hybrid day: Students with last names M-Z report to school  A-L students complete coursework on Google Classroom from home	Student work day from home  Staff meetings at all schools	All students (K-12) report to school for face-to-face instruction

## Important Points

- This timeline is for all students enrolled in the District’s traditional program and does not apply to students who selected one of the full-time virtual options for the 2020-21 school year.
- Hybrid Days are full days at regularly scheduled start and end times for students and staff. For families with multiple last names, please go with the last name that comes first alphabetically.
- Transportation and food service will be provided as normal on hybrid days.



### Technology

We encourage all students to bring their own devices to school. For students who borrowed Chromebooks, we will collect them at a later date. Please continue to utilize them with great care. For parents who wish to purchase a Chromebook, devices with at least 4 GB of RAM and 32 GB hard drives will be sufficient.



### Class Sizes

Social distancing is not a requirement of the Governor’s *Return to School Roadmap*, but the District encourages it wherever it can be achieved. Students and parents should, however, expect smaller than normal class sizes due to the higher number of students selecting one of the District’s virtual programs.

## RETURN TO SCHOOL RESOURCES ONLINE

Return to school resources for students and parents are located on the main page of the District website at [LapeerSchools.org](http://LapeerSchools.org). You can find detailed information regarding the District’s *Return to School Plan*, quarantine procedures for students and staff, as well as information on our COVID-19 student screening tool. Please send questions to Jared Field, LCS Director of Communications, at [jfield@lapeerschools.org](mailto:jfield@lapeerschools.org).