

Return to Learn

Union Community School District



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Introduction

This plan is based on available public health information at the time of its creation. The plan will be adjusted based on newly available data and guidance from national, state, and local public health officials. We greatly appreciate your support of our collaborative efforts to ensure the education and health of the entire school district and our communities.

****Note that any changes that the Governor or Public Health Agency makes in regards to health guidance or school opening guidance will be followed. These changes will not always be reflected specifically in this plan.**

Union Community School District Plan

Education - Learning Models

Union CSD will only offer In-Person Instruction during the 2021-2022 school year. No other learning models will be utilized. If the Governor or public health agencies make any changes regarding education during the current school year, then Union CSD will make appropriate adjustments to our learning model.

Learning Considerations

Elementary

Teachers will be utilizing Google Classroom for the 2021-2022 school year. All staff may have a Google Classroom that can be used simultaneously while in the classroom and out of the classroom as needed.

Middle School and High School

Teachers will be utilizing Canvas as the Learning Management System for the 2021-2022 school year. All teachers may utilize Canvas for all classes, and they may be used simultaneously while in the classroom and out of the classroom as needed.

Communication Overview

All district staff will primarily use Canvas and Google Classroom to deliver classroom material to parents and students. Teachers may use email for reminders or other information that may be useful for parent and student consideration. All district staff should respond to email communication within 24 hours of receipt. We want you to be aware, though, that the major source of classroom information will be communicated through Canvas and Google Classroom.

Teachers will primarily use Google Meet as our video conferencing service. The district will also continue to provide updates through JMC, email, and social media platforms such as Twitter and Facebook.

Student Services

Students who qualify for specific student services such as special education and/or 504 plans will continue to receive services in building or online if the situation mandates. Students and families will meet with the teachers in charge of those programs to continue those services as appropriate. Individual meetings may be scheduled to best communicate those expectations.

Health and Safety

Union CSD intends to follow the [guidelines](#) as presented by the Department of Education and the Iowa Department of Public Health. New [guidelines](#) were released August 6, 2021.

Exclusion from School & District Communication of COVID-19

Per new [guidance](#) from the Iowa Department of Education, students who test positive for COVID-19 should self-isolate at home 10 days after symptoms start and 24 hours with no fever and improved symptoms OR 10 days after positive test (if no symptoms). Following those same guidelines, close contacts of students will no longer be excluded from school.

Union CSD may send out periodic updates regarding COVID-19 issues when deemed necessary and with the guidance of the local public health departments.

Cleaning of Buildings and Transportation

Union CSD will continue to clean all buildings and transportation using cleaning equipment and supplies that specifically address the concerns regarding COVID-19. Extra attention will be given to high touch areas. Maintenance staff will have more specific guidelines and protocols for cleaning facilities and transportation.

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