



## WHAT WILL MY CHILD'S RETURN TO SCHOOL LOOK LIKE AT BRUNSWICK R-II?



### **Will my child be able to ride the school bus?**

- Brunswick R-II will provide transportation for our students.
- Students will have assigned seats on the bus and sit in family groups to the extent possible.
- Buses will be loaded from back to front and unloaded from front to back.
- Bus drivers have opted to wear masks and students will be allowed to do so.
- Buses will be thoroughly sanitized before and after each route.

### **If my child does not ride the bus, what will morning drop-off look like?**

- Elementary - Students in Preschool-6th grade will be dropped off at the new circle drive by the new elementary office addition (southwest entrance). More details will be provided in the coming weeks about new elementary drop-off/pick-up procedures.
- High School - Students in 7th-12th grade will be dropped off on the east side of the gym and enter the east doors only.

### **What will entry into the building look like for students?**

- Students will enter the building and use hand sanitizer at one of the stations upon entry into the building.
- Students eating breakfast will go directly to the multi-purpose room, enter the breakfast line, and have a seat at a table. Tables will be marked to practice social distancing to the extent possible.
- After breakfast, students will walk to their classrooms to begin the day.
- Students who do not eat breakfast will report directly to their classroom.
- The building will be open at 7:45 a.m. for student entry.

### **Will my child be required to wear a mask?**

- Face coverings will be allowed, but not required for both students and staff at this time.
- Existing student dress codes will apply to face coverings.

### **Will my child eat lunch in the classroom or multi-purpose room?**

- Students will eat in the multi-purpose room. Time out of the classroom and in a structured social environment is important for our students. We will maintain social distancing to the greatest extent possible and add lunchroom tables to accommodate.
- Tables will be marked to maintain social distancing.
- Meals will be served on regular trays. Everything will be placed on trays (silverware, food, etc.)
- Meals brought from home will need to have food in a preheated container or bring cold items. Microwaves will not be available in the cafeteria.

### **Will temperature checks be taken every morning when children arrive at school?**

- Upon meeting with local health officials, we have been informed that an elevated temperature is not always the best indicator of COVID.
- Each classroom teacher will have a no-touch thermometer in their classroom.
- Teachers will monitor students for any signs of illness.
- Parents should screen their children daily before they come to school for symptoms such as fever, chills, cough, shortness of breath, sore throat, muscle aches, headaches, and loss of smell or taste.

**How will social distancing in the classroom work?**

- Assigned seating will be utilized to reduce the number of contacts.
- Students will be socially distanced to the extent possible.

**Will my child go on field trips?**

- Field trips will be limited at this time.
- Field trips will be considered on an individual basis depending on local, state, and federal regulations at the time.

**Will we still have perfect attendance incentives?**

- There will be no perfect attendance incentives for the 2020-2021 school year.
- Students will be encouraged to stay home if they are feeling sick.

**Will we have an "Open House" before school starts this year?**

- The PTO will not host a traditional Open House before school starts.
- Students are asked to bring their supplies on the first day of school.

**What if I need to visit the school or pick-up my child during the school day?**

- The District will have one entry point for all parents and visitors (elementary and high school). Entry into the building between the hours of 8:00 a.m.-3:05 p.m. will only be allowed at the new elementary office addition.
- Parents and other visitors will be asked to wait in the vestibule area upon arrival.
  - ★ If necessary, supplies can be dropped off (medication, glasses, homework, etc.) with the secretary in the vestibule area.
  - ★ If a student needs to be picked-up from school during regular hours, the secretary will call for the student and the student will sign-out in the vestibule area.
  - ★ Essential visitors will be allowed if approved in advance.

*NOTE: All visitors will be screened before admittance into the building and will be expected to wear a mask.*

**Will my child be able to use the water fountain?**

- The water fountains will be turned off, but touchless refillable water bottle stations can be used.
- Students in all grade levels are encouraged to bring their own water bottle.

## **\*Elementary Only\***

<b>What will the first day look like?</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Kindergarten-6th grade students not riding the bus may be dropped off at the new elementary office entrance beginning at 7:45 a.m.</li><li>• Parents and other visitors will not be allowed to enter the building and walk students to class.</li><li>• If parents would like to take first day photos, they should be taken outside.</li><li>• First day of school photos will be taken with each student and teacher and sent through each classroom's communication platform (Seesaw/ClassDojo).</li><li>• Administrators, teachers, paraprofessionals, and other school staff will be available to assist students, especially our younger students, in getting to their classroom.</li><li>• Elementary students are asked to bring their supplies labeled with their name.</li><li>• The first day of school will be a half-day. School will be dismissed at 12:20 p.m.</li><li>• SAC will operate from 12:20-6:00 p.m. on the first day for students who are pre-enrolled in the program. Enrollment forms can be requested by calling the elementary office at 660-548-3777 after August 10.</li></ul>
<b>When will my preschool child start school?</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 3-year-old and 4-year-old preschool classes will begin on Monday, August 31.</li><li>• A letter will be mailed to preschool families in mid-August with student schedules and new drop-off/pick-up procedures.</li></ul>
<b>Will my child still have special classes (Art, Music, P.E., Library, Computer Lab)?</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• These classes are important for our students. Class activities and routines may be a little different, but we will continue to follow a regular schedule of special classes.</li><li>• As students move from one classroom to another, teachers will sanitize equipment, tables, etc. between each class.</li></ul>
<b>Will students still participate in Cat Club/Math groupings?</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• We believe small group reading and math is very beneficial for student growth. This time allows us to reach students on their academic level and provide enhanced academic support.</li><li>• Classrooms will be sanitized often and between different groups of students.</li></ul>
<b>How will teachers manage students' supplies within the classroom?</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Each student will have their own supply box (or bag) in the classroom with pencils, crayons, scissors, glue, etc.</li><li>• When students go to art or another class that requires these materials, they will take their personal supply box with them.</li></ul>
<b>Will we still have class parties for birthdays?</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Birthday treats will be allowed, but <b>MUST BE PREPACKAGED!</b></li><li>• Parents will not be allowed to visit classrooms to disseminate birthday treats.</li></ul>
<b>Will students in grades 4-6 "trade" classes?</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Students in grades 4-6 that "trade" for Science, Social Studies, and Language class will remain in their home classroom.</li><li>• Teachers will rotate among classrooms.</li></ul>
<b>Will my child have recess?</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Students will have recess.</li><li>• Students will wash their hands/use hand sanitizer prior to going to recess and before returning to the classroom.</li><li>• The playground will be sanitized.</li></ul>

**What about Wildcat Pride?**

- The Wildcat Pride program will be suspended for the 2020-2021 school year.
- Individual teachers may choose to reward good behavior and/or homework completion on a monthly or weekly basis in their classroom.

**Will the SAC program be available for my child for after school care?**

- The SAC program will be available from 3:00-6:00 p.m. each day that school is in session.
- Pre-enrollment will be required.
- New pick-up procedures will be communicated to SAC families.

**How can I receive updates from the District?**

- Remind Text Alerts - Text @brunswick to 81010
- District Website - <https://www.brunswick.k12.mo.us/>
- Brunswick R-II School District Facebook Page
- Classroom Communication Platform (ClassDojo/Seesaw)

## **\*Junior High/High School Only\***

<b>What will the first day look like?</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Students will bring their supplies the first day of school. Upon arriving at school, students will go to their first hour class. Students will then be released in small groups to put their supplies away in their lockers. Lockers will be grouped by grade level, with vacant lockers between grades to provide distancing.</li><li>• The first day of school will be a half day with students being dismissed at 12:20 p.m.</li><li>• Students will attend all of their classes on the first day of school by following a modified schedule.</li></ul>
<b>Will my child be able to participate in extracurricular activities such as FFA, FBLA, FCCLA, Student Council, and Band?</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The District will continue to offer extracurricular activities while following guidelines established by each organization's governing bodies and local policies.</li><li>• Students will be expected to follow the Brunswick Jr./Sr. High School attendance policy to participate in extracurricular activities.</li></ul>
<b>Will my child be able to participate in athletics?</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• We plan to have athletics at BHS.</li><li>• The District will follow MSHSAA guidelines.</li><li>• Students will be expected to follow the Brunswick Jr./Sr. High School attendance policy to participate in athletics.</li></ul>
<b>If the District switches to distance learning, will my child still be able to participate in extracurricular activities and/or athletics?</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• If at any point the District moves into distance learning, extracurricular activities and athletics will be temporarily suspended.</li><li>• If the District deems that it is not safe to hold face to face instruction, then it is not appropriate to have students and coaches come together to participate in activities and athletics.</li></ul>
<b>How will my child and I receive updates from the school?</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Remind Text Alerts - Text @brunswick to 81010</li><li>• District Website - <a href="https://www.brunswick.k12.mo.us/">https://www.brunswick.k12.mo.us/</a></li><li>• Brunswick R-II School District Facebook Page</li><li>• Classroom Communication Platform (Google Classroom)</li><li>• Student District provided email</li></ul>



***\*These determinations have been made based on local, state, and federal guidelines as of July 29, 2020. These procedures are subject to change as new information is released.***