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Calvert ISD 20-21 Learning Options

The virus that causes COVID-19 can infect people of all ages; and as a school district, we are going to take all of the necessary precautions and do everything possible to keep students and staff safe. Therefore, Calvert ISD has developed its 2020-2021 Back-to-School Instructional Plan and School Entry Plan based upon the latest guidance from TEA, Governor Gregg Abbott's July 2, 2020 Executive Order and parent and faculty input. Most importantly, we look forward to providing high-quality learning experiences for our students consisting of a Face-to-Face Instruction Option and a Virtual Option and/or Instructional Academic Learning Packets (depending on available technology); both options are outlined below.

Our goal is to be as prepared as possible to respond to the changing public health conditions that may impact our community. Calvert ISD also understands that every family has unique concerns, because of health or other circumstances about returning to daily routines while coexisting with COVID-19. We are committed to supporting our Calvert ISD families in making decisions that best fit your needs.

As we plan for the upcoming school year, Calvert ISD is committed to following the pertinent guidelines from state and local officials in order to:

1. Ensure the health and safety of our students, staff, families and community
2. Make decisions that take into consideration the latest guidance and direction from the CDC, federal, state and local government
3. Provide high-quality instruction and learning experiences to all students regardless of the circumstances

Option 1:

Face-to-Face Instruction in a traditional school setting, students will attend class in the school building. If COVID-19-related disruptions arise throughout the year, school may be closed for intermittent periods of time. If school is closed to Face-to-Face Instruction, students will transition to Virtual Instruction and/or Academic Learning Packets during the time of closure.

- Calvert ISD will provide Face-to-Face Instruction for students to attend school five days a week in person
- In-person teaching and learning are available for students on campus following a student's traditional schedule
- Students will follow their daily schedule, including all required courses and/or assigned electives, as well as extracurricular activities, if applicable
- Dual Credit coursework will be through BLINN College as usual
- Students who require support and interventions will receive them in person
- Grading guidelines for Face-to-Face Instruction will be aligned with CISD's grading policy
- Students will be required to adhere to all evolving Calvert ISD's safety plans that are established for the safety of students and staff within our schools
- Per [TEA Guidelines](#): Students will wear face coverings on buses, hallways, common areas, and when social distancing is not feasible, including in classrooms, to the extent it is developmentally appropriate
- Students who receive services or accommodations through special education, gifted and talented, 504, or multilingual services will continue to receive the support and services

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Option 2:

This choice is for families who want virtual instruction and do not feel safe sending their student to school given the current situation with COVID-19. Under this option, students will learn at home five days a week, receiving teacher-directed and teacher-supported instruction through real-time classes and some independent work.

- Students attend school five days a week at home in a virtual learning environment

- Parents/caregivers are expected to be engaged with their children’s education but are not expected to serve as their children’s primary teacher of the academic curriculum
- Students must have access to the Internet at home
- Students must have a device for their online learning
- Students will have digital access through a TEA provided learning management system for their courses
- Students must be engaged daily in their online learning and coursework in order to be counted present for attendance and participation grades
- Students may have periods of daily, recorded and/or live instruction with their teachers, as well as periods of self-paced, independent learning
- A designated daily schedule for online instruction will be provided to all Calvert ISD Virtual Learning students that they will be expected to follow
- Attendance will be taken for all students every school day for virtual instruction
- Grading guidelines for Virtual Instruction will be aligned with CISD’s grading policy
- Secondary students (grades 7-12) will have access to Career & Technical Education
- Calvert ISD Virtual Instruction will follow all updated UIL guidelines for before and after school activities, including all fine arts and athletics
- Students who require additional support and interventions will receive those via video/phone conferencing
- Students who receive services or accommodations through special education, gifted and talented, 504, or multilingual services will continue to receive the support and services

Contingency Option 3 (depending on available technology):

Option 3 will be available only if CISD does not receive the Chromebooks and Wi-Fi hot spots for families who need technology assistance. Option 3 consists of Calvert ISD issuing Academic Learning Packets to students whose parents select Virtual Learning-Option 2.

- Packets completed and turned in timely manner
- Students engaged in learning and actively participating daily

In order for Calvert ISD to plan effectively for the start of the 2020-2021 school year, both new and returning families should declare their choice for how each of their students will participate in school at Calvert ISD for the 20-21 school year.

All families must complete the registration process at:

<https://txeis.esc6.net:8443/ParentPortal/login?distid=198902>

in order to be enrolled at Calvert ISD for the 20-21 SY. Families of new and returning students to Calvert ISD who do not select an option for each of their students during the registration process by August 6, 2020 will be automatically enrolled in Calvert ISD's Face-to- Face Instruction/Option 1. Please complete this survey to select your learning choice for your students: <https://forms.gle/AB6PM4jYZXQEzo7c9>

Please help us appropriately plan for a successful start of the 2020-2021 school year by completing the registration process by August 6, 2020.

Thank you for your support during this unprecedented time. We look forward to working with you to fully support your family's educational choice for a safe and successful reopening in August.

Thank you.