# South Tippah School District Return to School Plan

2022-2023



"FOCUSING ON THE FUTURE"



# BACK TO SCHOOL

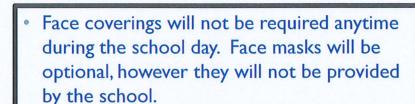


When: Wednesday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>

# Welcome Back!!!

#### FACE TO FACE





- Implementation of social distancing when possible.
- If a positive case occurs inside the building or on the bus, those areas will be thoroughly disinfected.
- Hand sanitizing stations will be available at all school entrances and throughout the schools.
- Breakfast/lunch will be eaten in classrooms if need arises.
- Quarantines will only take place if a positive case is inside the home.

## DISTANCE LEARNING



STSD..... "FOCUSING ON THE FUTURE" 2022 - 2023

The South Tippah School District believes that its students learn better in a face to face, in person setting. In saying this, the South Tippah School District believes virtual learning has a place in the future of education, and we are blessed to have the capabilities to offer it under extreme circumstances and extreme medical situations. These extreme circumstances and medical conditions will be evaluated on an individual basis. A doctor's note/statement will be considered but will not immediately qualify a person for virtual learning.

Each case will be examined by a team consisting of the student's home school administrator, the assistant superintendent, the superintendent, and another in-district, administrator or district personnel staff member.

The home school administrator will notify the parents of the committee decision and this decision will be final with no appeal to the school board.

The decision to put more stringent requirements on virtual learning was based on data from the 2020-2021 school year. This data shows that students who attended face to face, on campus instruction performed significantly better than those students who were virtual learners.

# DISTANCE LEARNING (CONT.)



- If approved for distance learning, after meeting with principal, Chromebooks or iPads will be issued to students to use if he/she does not have a personal device.
- Students will be required to be logged in at the beginning of their scheduled class time with roll taken.
- If student is not logged in at the appropriate time, he/she will be considered absent and handbook policies will apply regarding grades.
- If a student joins class late, this will be considered tardy and handbook policies will apply regarding this as well.

# DISTANCE LEARNING (CONT.)



- Students participating in distance learning will be accessed through observations, video conferencing, and discussion boards as well as assignment submissions and assessments. Students will be required to schedule a time to take major test on the campus of his/her respected school.
- Major assessments will be proctored by a STSD employee in a classroom set aside for assessment of online students

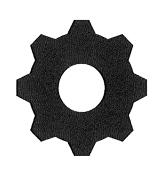
# DISTANCE LEARNING (CONT.)



- Distance learning will have the same rigor as face-to-face instruction but may or may not be equitable.
- Student will "attend class" through Zoom/Google Hangout, etc. Student will be required to mute him or herself and ask questions through chat.
- Assignments are to be submitted as required.
- Distance learning privileges <u>can</u> be revoked at any time!

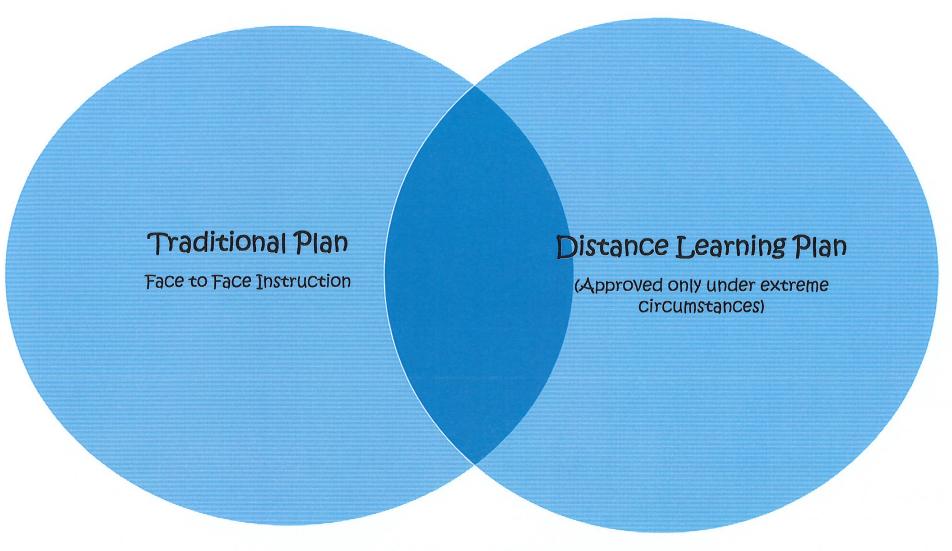
The traditional schedule will be modified IF there is a significant outbreak of the COVID-19 virus among our students and/or employees.

We will be in contact with the local and Mississippi Department of Health officials if this becomes necessary.

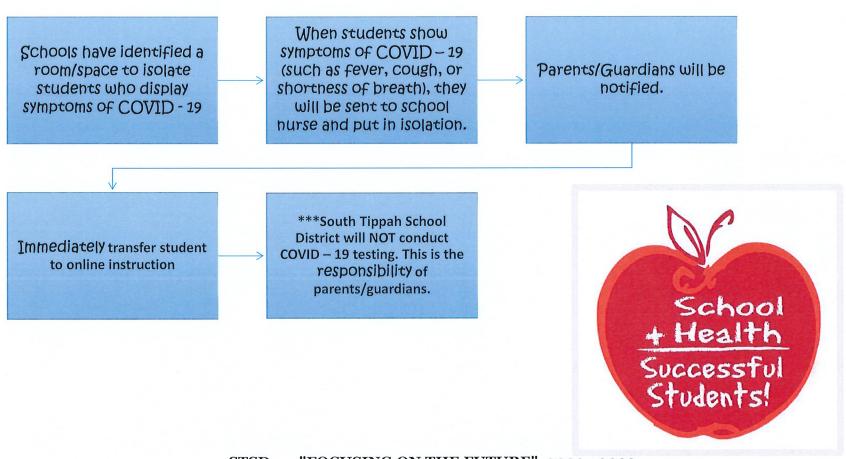








### When Someone Shows Symptoms of COVID - 19



### COVID - 19 Case Identified in Student or Staff

In the event that MSDH is aware of COVID-19 cases, schools will be notified.

Parents and staff will be required to notify school of COVID-19 cases and begin isolation at home for a full 5 days.

South Tippah School District School Nurses are COVID - 19 District Representatives.



All measures outlined in this plan are temporary and subject to further review and change based on information received from local, state, and federal officials. The superintendent and designees will continue to monitor available data including local case counts, hospital readiness, and trends over time. The superintendent shall

have the authority to make changes to these procedures based on emergent changing conditions, subject to review by the South Tippah School Board.

For questions or comments about the 2022-2023 Return to School Plan, please send an email to: questions@stsd.ms.



## South Tippah School District Vision Statement and Mission Statement

#### Vision

To provide a community-minded educational program with an emphasis on STEM, career, and character education through highly effective teachers and staff integrating technology into instruction while achieving an "A" accountability rating.

#### **Mission**

To build a stronger community through quality education.