



# GRISWOLD PUBLIC SCHOOLS

REOPENING SCHOOLS  
2020-2021 ACADEMIC YEAR  
OPERATIONAL PLAN

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE HYBRID MODEL AT GES

- **Why hybrid? Why now?**
  - **Governor Lamont & Commissioner Cardona have now made the Hybrid model an option for school districts whereas at the time we had to initially submit our plan, the Hybrid model was not an option.**
  - **The Hybrid model allows schools to have approximately 50% of students in the building at a time with 50% on distance learning, and the Hybrid model allows the school district to designate one school day a week for highly intensified deep cleaning.**
  - **Griswold Public Schools has joined with many other districts in the region to begin the 2020-2021 school year with the Hybrid model. At this juncture, our plan is to start the school year with the Hybrid model, reassess, and then eventually move to full-time, in-person learning.**
  - **This cannot be emphasized enough: The information flow with school reopening changes weekly, if not daily. While this may be frustrating, please know we are doing our best to address the changes and make informed decisions for Griswold Public Schools.**
- **GES will follow the hybrid model below.**
  - **On Monday and Tuesday COHORT A will participate in full day in-person learning for 50% of GES students (last names A-K). On Monday and Tuesday COHORT B will participate in full day distance learning for 50% of GES students (last names L-Z). On Wednesdays, all students will be on distance learning to allow for our custodial staff to focus on one full school day of intense, deep cleaning. On Thursday and Friday COHORT B will participate in full day in-person learning for 50% of GES students (last names L-Z). On Thursday and Friday COHORT A will participate in full day distance learning for 50% of GES students (last names A-K).**

MODEL	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
IN-PERSON MODEL BY COHORT (HYBRID)	COHORT A (IN PERSON)	COHORT A (IN PERSON)	ALL STUDENTS ON DISTANCE LEARNING	COHORT A (DISTANCE)	COHORT A (DISTANCE)
	GES/GMS ALPHA A-K	GES/GMS ALPHA A-K		GES/GMS ALPHA A-K	GES/GMS ALPHA A-K
	GHS GRADES 9 & 10	GHS GRADES 9 & 10		GHS GRADES 9 & 10	GHS GRADES 9 & 10
	COHORT B (DISTANCE)	COHORT B (DISTANCE)		COHORT B (IN PERSON)	COHORT B (IN PERSON)
	GES/GMS ALPHA L-Z	GES/GMS ALPHA L-Z		GES/GMS ALPHA L-Z	GES/GMS ALPHA L-Z
	GHS GRADES 11 & 12	GHS GRADES 11 & 12		GHS GRADES 11 & 12	GHS GRADES 11 & 12

- Under the hybrid model, can parents and students still opt for district sponsored full distance learning?
  - Yes, the Griswold Public Schools District Learning Form must be submitted to the school by August 20th.
  - Students who opt for distance learning will receive specific guidance from GES.
- Will Wednesday be a distance learning day? Yes, it will be a distance learning day for ALL GES students. See the sample schedule below.

Griswold Elementary School Student Schedule				
MINS	TIME	MON, WED	TUE, THU	FRI
10	9:00-9:10	School-Wide Morning Message (facilitated by School Principals)		
15	9:10-9:25	Small-Group Circle Time/Advisory (Staff-led SEL focus)		
40	9:25-10:05	ELA: 10-15 Minute Mini-Lesson, teacher presentation to name teaching point, 25-30 practice/application		
30	10:05-10:35	Flex Time / Student Feedback & Support		
45	10:35-11:20	Lunch (off video)		
40	11:20-12:00	Math: 10-15 Minute Mini-Lesson, teacher presentation to name teaching point, 25-30 practice/application		
30	12:00-12:30	Flex Time / Student Feedback & Support		
35	12:30-1:05	Social Studies	Science	Social Studies / Sci.
10	1:05-1:15	Small-Group/Whole-Class Dismissal (Staff-led SEL focus)		

4.25 hours

- On Wednesdays, will GES be open?
  - Yes, the office will be open from 8:00am-4:00pm.
  - Select staff will be in the buildings depending on programming and student needs.

- Will Bus Transportation be provided?
  - Yes, we will work closely with STA-Griswold to ensure that students are transported to and from school on their required days.
- How does cafeteria/food service work?
  - For in-person learning on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday, we will follow our normal cafeteria/food service schedules.
  - Grab & Go meals will be available for all students who are opting for distance learning on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday.
    - For students who are eligible for free reduced and lunch, the “grab and go” lunches will align to the free and reduced applicability.
    - For students who are not eligible for “grab and go,” meal prices would apply.
  - Grab & Go Service will also be available on Wednesday for all students
  - Grab & Go Service will operate daily at GMS from 8:00 am-9:30 am.
- What will the first two-weeks of school look like, given the shortened weeks and half-days? The first two weeks will look slightly different. Here is the schedule below:

**WEEK 1**

MONDAY, 8/31	TUESDAY, 9/1	WEDNESDAY, 9/2	THURSDAY, 9/3	FRIDAY, 9/4
NO SCHOOL PD DAY	NO SCHOOL PD DAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● First day for students</li> <li>● ½ Day in person learning for all COHORT A students</li> <li>● NO school for all COHORT B students</li> <li>● Students who opt for distance learning will receive guidance from GES</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Second day for students</li> <li>● ½ Day in person learning for all COHORT B students</li> <li>● NO school for all COHORT A students</li> <li>● Students who opt for distance learning will receive guidance from GES</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Third day for students</li> <li>● ½ Day in person learning for all COHORT B students</li> <li>● ½ Day distance learning for all COHORT A students</li> <li>● Students who opt for distance learning will receive guidance from GES</li> </ul>

**WEEK 2**

MONDAY, 9/7	TUESDAY, 9/8	WEDNESDAY, 9/9	THURSDAY, 9/10	FRIDAY, 9/11
NO SCHOOL LABOR DAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Full day in person learning for COHORT A students</li> <li>● Full day distance learning for COHORT B students</li> </ul>	All students and staff distance learning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Full day in person learning for COHORT B students</li> <li>● Full day distance learning for COHORT A students</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Full day in school for COHORT B students</li> <li>● Full day distance learning for COHORT A students</li> </ul>