

North Miami Community Schools

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North Miami Families,

Thank you for your patience as we have worked this summer to develop a school re-opening plan. We want you to know that while some things will look different as we begin the school year our goals are the same. We will be caring for and meeting the needs of each student with the same focus on personal attention that we always have. Our staff is excited and looking forward to welcoming your child back to school this fall.

Over the last month, our North Miami Re-opening Task Force has been working hard to develop a plan for this fall that will allow our schools to open and provide a safe environment for our students and staff. Our task force team consisted of administration, teachers, directors, nurses, and parents. We have built this plan based on guidance from the Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH), Indiana Department of Education (IDOE), and the Centers for Disease Control (CDC). We have also collaborated with the Miami County Department of Health, outside school districts, and received input from our school board.

We plan to open schools on our regularly scheduled start date of Tuesday, August 11, 2020. We will offer traditional in school instruction every day (Monday-Friday) for students who are able to return to school. School buildings will be open with additional cleaning, safety, and protective measures in place. Distance learning is available for students who are temporarily unable to attend due to Covid symptoms listed above or for medically fragile students. For families who do not feel safe/comfortable returning to the traditional setting, please contact the building principal to discuss a distance learning plan.

Our re-opening plan is now available to view on our school website. This reopening plan is based on information we have at this time and is subject to change based upon the recommendations of the Miami County Health Department, the Governor or North Miami Community school board.

Below are important upcoming dates and informational items as we proceed through the summer:

- Kindergarten Informational Meeting - Thursday, July 9 at 6 pm.
- Class of 2020 Graduation (Senior Awards and Commencement) - Sunday, July 12 at 2 pm. Tickets provided to families required for attendance.
 - Senior Bonfire - Monday, July 6 from 8-11 pm - West End of NM Campus
 - Senior Breakfast - Thursday, July 9 at 10 am followed by Graduation practice and class photo. Seniors need to bring Cap and Gown.
- New! Online Registration for 2020 school year for all students - Opens Monday, July 13. Informational letter coming the week of July 6.
 - School Bus Transportation - as part of our re-opening plan, during online registration, we will be asking families to inform us of their plans for transporting their child to and from school. We are encouraging families (that can) to provide their own transportation to help with social distancing on the school bus.

We have a special staff, student body, and community and I am confident we will be ready to care for and meet the needs of all this school year! How effectively we implement safety procedures and practices will determine our ability to keep our staff and students safe and ultimately our schools open for instruction as we proceed throughout the school year.

Thank you for your support!

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