

# Litchfield Elementary School District School Reopening: Frequently Asked Questions

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## When does In-Person Learning (5 days per week in classrooms) begin?

Students who chose the In-Person Learning model will begin learning 5 days per week in classrooms in accordance to the following schedule:

Monday, October 26, 2020 Preschool through Grade 5

Monday, November 2, 2020 Grades 6 - 8

Students who chose the Hybrid Learning model or Digital Learning Academy will remain in their chosen programs.

#### May my child change learning models?

Please contact your child's principal if you would like to discuss transitioning your child to another learning model. Requests are accommodated as space permits.

# Will preschool be available when In-Person Learning (5 days per week in classrooms) resumes on Monday, October 26?

Yes, tuition-based preschool will be available 5 days per week with full day and half day opportunities.

## Are Extended Day programs available?

Yes, our Community Education Department is currently offering tuition-based Extended Day programs before school and after school.

## May my child remain in the Hybrid Learning model all year long?

The comfort level of families in this era of COVID-19 varies widely and is evolving with time. Hybrid Learning will be available as long as there is enough interest to maintain proper staffing.

Once In-Person Learning (5 days per week in classrooms) resumes, will my child's Hybrid Learning class (for students who chose the Hybrid Learning model) be collapsed if too many students transition to In-Person Learning (5 days per week in classrooms)?

Yes. We will have to collapse Hybrid Learning classes if they do not have enough students to justify the

staffing. Students who live within the Litchfield Elementary School District boundaries have the right to in-person education as it is available.

## Do you have free meals for all children?

Yes, we are offering free meals to all children age 18 and under until the end of the school year. Students on campus have access to free meals at school and free takeout meals for online learning. No registration or RSVP is required. As an added safety precaution, all meals are served in convenient to-go boxes, rather than on food trays.

Students in our Digital Learning Academy may <u>order online</u> for a week's worth of food to be picked up on Fridays. This program is fully funded by the USDA and your participation is one of many ways to support our public school district. Visit the <u>Food Services Department</u> on our website for menus.

### Does my child need a water bottle at school?

Yes. Please send your child to school with a water bottle.

### Do you provide personal protective equipment (PPE) for students?

Every classroom is equipped with soap and water and/or hand sanitizer. Face coverings are available as needed. Please send your child to school with at least one face covering for the day. You may send extra face coverings and personal supplies of hand sanitizer.

### Are you accepting new students?

Yes, kindergarten and new student registration is available by appointment only at our District Office. Please visit the <u>Student Registration Department</u> on our website for more information.

#### Do you need donations?

Yes, we have an ongoing need for a variety of items.

- Teachers always appreciate cleaning supplies such as soap, paper towels, cleaning wipes, and hand sanitizer.
- We also welcome back to school supplies such as Expo markers, pencils, glue sticks, and small boxes of crayons.
- Bottled water and individually packaged snacks are popular at all of our schools.
- Donations of new or gently used tablets, laptops, desktop computers, and Chromebooks are welcome. We also welcome monitors, headphones, and HDMI cables.