

2023-24

READY TO LEARN PLAN

CANEY VALLEY



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Our school will again offer our students the choice of options outlined below. We are asking our parents to notify building administration by August 17th of their intention to select virtual instruction.

In an effort to provide a quality education to all students, Caney Valley Schools (CVS) is providing students with different pathways for continuing their education within the CVS system. The pathway available to our students is based on student grade level as described below. It is important to note that any deviation from the plan described below MUST have approval from the building principal.

Pre-K – 3rd 5th Grade

It is extremely important for our early childhood students to be with us on campus. Therefore, students in grade PK-5th Grade will only be allowed to utilize On-Campus instruction for the 2023-24 school year. In the event there is an extenuating circumstance which precludes a student from attending school in person, the principal will evaluate those circumstances on a case by case basis.

3rd 6th - 8th Grade

We will continue to offer two options for our students within the 3rd-8th grade. Descriptions of the two options are provided below.

Option 1:

Traditional (on-site delivery) – Student will remain enrolled in the CVS system. All classes will be taken on campus in the form of in person instruction and learning. CVS may use Remote Learning Days as determined necessary by school officials. CVS staff will implement and distribute lessons using the Google Classroom and other digital learning platforms as needed. Attendance will be calculated based on the student’s completion of 90% of the assigned work prior to the due date and correspondence with the teacher of record.

Option 2:

Distance Learning (Full Virtual—done remotely but as a continuation of learning that normally would take place on-site) – Student will remain enrolled in the CVS system. All classes will be taken off site. CVS will utilize the online platform “Edgenuity” to offer distance learning for 6th—8th grade students. **The distance learning option will require a minimum of one semester commitment.** Students choosing the Full Virtual Pathway (Option 2) are still students for the CVS system. As such, they are still eligible to participate in the Child Nutrition Program. Breakfast and lunch may be picked up at specific times and locations TBD. All applicable costs will still apply. **Students utilizing the full virtual option are not eligible to participate in extracurricular activities. Students participating in full virtual instruction will be required to maintain adequate coursework effort to continue to be enrolled in virtual instruction.** **For further virtual instruction information, please see the district Virtual Instruction Policy and Application.** Students not maintaining adequate coursework effort will be moved back to on campus instruction or will be turned into the Washington County District Attorney for violation of the Compulsory Education Act.

9th-12th Grade

We will offer three options for our students within the 9th-12th grade. Descriptions of the three options are provided below.

Option 1:

Traditional (on-site delivery) – Student will remain enrolled in the CVS system. All classes will be taken on campus in the form of in person instruction and learning. CVS has planned for the majority of the school year, and possibly the entire year, to be on-site, as long as public health and school officials deem it safe to do so. CVS may use Remote Learning Days ~~for students being quarantined, or for the district as determined necessary by health and/or school officials.~~ CVS staff will implement and distribute lessons using the Google Classroom and other digital learning platforms as needed. Attendance will be calculated based on the student’s completion of 90% of the assigned work prior to the due date and correspondence with the teacher of record.

Option 2:

Distance Learning (Full Virtual—done remotely but as a continuation of learning that normally would take place on-site) – Student will remain enrolled in the CVS system. All classes will be taken off site. CVS will utilize the online platform “Edgenuity” to offer distance learning for 9th—12th grade students. **The distance learning option will require a minimum of one semester commitment.** Students choosing the Full Virtual Pathway (Option 2) are still students for the CVS system. As such, they are still eligible to participate in the Child Nutrition Program. Breakfast and lunch may be picked up at specific times and locations TBD. All applicable costs will still apply. **Students utilizing the full virtual option are not eligible to participate in extracurricular activities. Students participating in full virtual instruction will be required to maintain adequate coursework effort to continue to be enrolled in virtual instruction.** **For further virtual instruction information, please see the district Virtual Instruction Policy and Application.** **Students not maintaining adequate coursework effort will be moved back to on campus instruction or will be turned into the Washington County District Attorney for violation of the Compulsory Education Act.**

Option 3:

Blended (Combination of option 1 and 2) – Student will remain enrolled in the CVS system. Some classes may be taken virtually in addition to in-person instruction. In recent years, we have seen more students participate in concurrent college courses, career internships, and other endeavors which require students to be away from campus. This option will allow students to take classes virtually, but still attend in class instruction for extracurricular classes such as Agricultural Education, Yearbook, Academic Team, Band, and Athletics. Students will utilize

Caney Valley on-campus instructors as well as virtual instructors using the “Edgenuity” learning platform. **It is important to note that this model is not a platform where students can switch back and forth between virtual instruction and on-campus instruction. Students will be required to maintain their instruction status through the current grading period. Students using the blended model will be eligible to participate in extracurricular activities. Students will still be subject to OSSAA eligibility requirements for classroom achievement and attendance.**

Caney Valley Covid-19 Testing Plan

The Caney Valley School District has received the Oklahoma State Department of Education and the State Health Department’s “Oklahoma Schools COVID-19 Prevention Project Grant.” Caney Valley Schools can now provide COVID-19 Testing for students and staff in the District Administration Building. ~~Our goal is to provide testing to at least 5% of our students per CDC guidelines.~~ Students and staff members may come to the building at any time to get a free rapid response COVID-19 test. Any student wishing to be tested **MUST** have signed parent permission to receive a test. The protocol for testing will be as follows:

1. Arrival at Administration Office Building or for elementary students, administrative personnel will travel to Ochelata for testing.
2. Completion of all paperwork. Testing will not be performed without signed parent permission.
3. Test will be administered in the board room, or unoccupied classroom or office, where confidentiality and social distancing may be maintained.
4. Student or staff will remain in the testing room until test results are obtained.
5. In the event of a negative test the student or staff member may return to class.
6. In the event of a positive test the student or staff member will be informed of the need to isolate. At this time, the school will recommend that family members living with the positive case come in for testing as well.
7. All test results will be provided to the Washington County Health Department and input in to the SIRS program.

Ready to Learn
FAQ

Caney Valley Schools 2023-24

The 2021-22 school year offered us many lessons on how to conduct school during a pandemic. We will use the lessons we learned ~~last year~~ to make the best decisions we can for our students. We will continue to emphasize the need for our students to practice proper hand hygiene. In addition, we will continue to emphasize the importance of sanitizing our school facilities.

FAQ for all Caney Valley Schools Patrons:

What are the symptoms of COVID-19?

COVID-19 related symptoms include cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, chills or repeated shaking with chills, loss of taste or smell, or fever or a measured temperature greater than or equal to 100, muscle or body aches, headache, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, or diarrhea.

What is the difference between isolation and quarantine?

Quarantine is a measure taken by healthy people who could possibly be infected. Isolation is a measure taken by people who are already sick and need to be isolated.

What do I do if I test positive for COVID-19?

Notify your principal or supervisor immediately. They will work with district administration and with you to determine next steps.

Can I wear a mask?

Yes, you can wear a face covering/mask.

Can I, or my students be required to wear a mask?

In compliance with Oklahoma Senate Bill 658, face coverings/masks will not be required without consultation from the Local City/County Health Department and an emergency declaration for Washington County by the governor.

Will I be notified if a teacher or student in my class has tested positive for COVID-19?

If it has been determined you have been in close contact with an employee or student who has tested positive COVID-19, the district will notify you. The district will maintain confidentiality to protect the identity of the employee and/or student with the positive COVID-19 test result. The district will recommend that you monitor your health and contact your family physician should you develop symptoms.

Will there be sanitizers and/or wipes available for my classroom or work area?

Yes, hand sanitizer will be available for the district. Disinfecting wipes will also be available for each classroom or work area.

How will the school communicate with parents to provide updates?

CVS will continue to work with the Oklahoma State Health Department and will update parents utilizing the district website, Facebook page, and emails

What Transportation will be offered for students?

Transportation will be offered during the regular a.m. and p.m. routes. Any transportation during the day will be the responsibility of the parents. Due to the fact that social distancing cannot be achieved on buses, students are encouraged to wear masks. If it is deemed necessary, we may suspend a route due to inability to provide a driver. In this situation, parents will be required to provide transportation, or the student will be pivoted to remote instruction. All riders will have assigned seats to alleviate unnecessary contact with other students.

Will the school district calendar change for 2023-24?

It is our goal for the calendar dates to stay the same. To assist with consistency, the district has scheduled remote learning days within the school calendar. Bad weather days are still incorporated into the school calendar.

What is remote learning?

Remote learning is different than Virtual Learning. Remote learning will be driven by local CVS staff, where virtual learning utilizes the Edgenuity platform. Remote learning may be used when school is closed due to COVID, inclement weather, or other unforeseen circumstances.

How will CVS determine if there is a need to pivot to remote instruction?

We will continue to monitor our student and staff numbers. We can pivot to remote instruction when necessary such as: high volume of student absences, high volume of staff absences, or inability to provide adequate supervision due to a lack of substitute staff.

What will extracurricular activities look like?

At this time, all district activities and athletics will proceed as planned. We are taking every safety measure possible to ensure the safety of students, staff, and patrons. We will not require masks for athletes or patrons attending the event, however, they are encouraged. CVS has hired extra staff to assist with sanitizing our facilities.

Will temperatures be taken upon entering the school building?

Entering the school building is usually not the first point of contact for many students. The first point of contact may be at the bus stop, carpool, day care, parking lot, etc. While temperature is a symptom of COVID, it can also be an indicator for a plethora of other illnesses. CVS has always asked students and staff to stay home if they have a fever. Now, more than ever, we need our parents to partner with us in order to keep all of our students and staff members safe by keeping students home with a fever. New school policy will require a student be fever free for 3 days prior to returning to school.

What do I do if a family member in my home has COVID-19 related symptoms?

The district recommends you contact your healthcare provider.

What do I do if I've been around someone who tested positive?

You are not required to quarantine. However, the person who tested positive should isolate for 5 days from onset of symptoms. After the 5 day isolation the student may return to school as long as they have been fever free for 72 hours. The wearing of masks will be recommended for students returning from isolation for an additional 5 days, but not required. The district recommends you monitor your health and contact your family physician should you develop symptoms. In the case of a close contact COVID exposure at home, the students will need to quarantine for 5 days from the exposure.

What do I do if I begin to feel ill while at school?

If you have a cough (not due to allergies), shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, chills or repeated shaking with chills, loss of taste or smell, fever or a measured temperature greater than or equal to 100, muscle or body aches, headache, sore throat, congestion or runny nose (not due to allergies), nausea or vomiting, or diarrhea, notify your principal immediately. With parent permission, we can provide a fast response COVID test at the administrative building in Ramona. For our students at the elementary, we will travel to Ochelata to provide the test.

What do I do if I'm concerned that another student has symptoms of COVID-19?

Share your concern with your principal. If your principal is unavailable, contact district admin.

What will happen if I come to school with symptoms of COVID-19?

A principal can require a student to go home if the student has COVID-19 related symptoms.

When should I stay home?

Stay home and contact your healthcare provider if you have one or more of the COVID-19 related symptoms, including cough (not due to allergies), shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, chills or repeated shaking with chills, loss of taste or smell, or fever or a measured temperature greater than or equal to 100, muscle or body aches, headache, sore throat, congestion or runny nose (not due to allergies), nausea or vomiting, or diarrhea.

What will building access look like for this year?

Access will continue to be different than it has been in previous years. Most of this restriction is not due to COVID, but for safety concerns. Our primary job as a school district is to ensure the safety of our students. Unfortunately, in today's society we have more risks to be concerned about than in the past. For the 2023-24 school year the following access restrictions will be in force:

All students will eat in the cafeteria. **Students will not be allowed to go to teachers' classrooms to eat, unless being provided remediation during lunch time.** Schools will have designated "special" days for parents to come and eat with their children. Other than these "special" days visitors will not be given access to our students within the cafeterias.

Parents will not be allowed access to the hallways and classrooms after the first **2 days** of school. We recognize that the first day of school is a special day. However, to ensure the safety of all of our students we cannot allow free passage within the hallways after the first **2 days** of school. **All visitors must check in through the office. Once signed in through the office the visitor may be buzzed into the building through the main office.**

Assemblies will have a modified restriction policy at the elementary. We realize that parents want to support their children and watch them be recognized. In order to allow this to occur, assemblies will be invitation only for parents. If your child is being recognized, you will receive an invitation to attend the assembly. For those unable to attend, we will continue to video and post the assembly to Facebook. We would like to be able to have all parents be present at assemblies, but our gymnasium capacity has been set at 526 people by the State Fire Marshal. We have close to 400 students and over 50 staff members. That leaves us with only a little over 75 spots available before we reach maximum capacity. We do not believe it would be fair to count patrons as they enter and possibly have to deny entrance when capacity is met. One way we will help with this is to move assemblies such as the Veterans Day Assembly to the Ramona Campus. Our Ramona gym has a capacity over 1200 people. On assemblies like this, we welcome our parents to join us as we salute our Veterans.

How can I help the school as a parent?

Be Positive. We know things are not like they have always been in the past. Decisions that are being made at school are being made to ensure the safety of our students first and foremost.

Donations of PPE (hand sanitizer, disinfectant wipes, masks, etc.)

Donations of additional school supplies

Taking your child's temperature prior to leaving the house

Keeping students quarantined for 5 days if they have been exposed to anyone with a positive COVID test

Preparing your home with supplies in the event our district must use remote learning

Communicate with your teacher, principal, or counselor regarding the need for internet access

Communicate any concerns with your teacher, principal or counselor

Encourage your student to follow all school guidelines regarding sanitizing stations, masks, etc.