

THE 2020 - 2021 SCHOOL YEAR

The Fauquier County School Board voted to move to a 100% virtual instructional model for all students through December. We created this quick fact sheet to answer some common questions. Additional details will be available on our Path to Reopening website.

Will the calendar change?

There are no calendar changes at this time. The first day of school remains August 24, 2020. The current calendar can be viewed on the <u>FCPS website</u>.

Will any students learn in a face-to-face setting?

Yes, self-contained special education students with intense needs and early childhood special education students will have the opportunity to learn in a face-to-face setting. The school division will also be looking at ways to provide hands-on instruction for CTE students whose programs require exams for credentialing and face-to-face instruction for K-2 students if it can be provided safely and with fidelity.



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VIRTUAL TEACHING & LEARNING

How will instruction be different this fall compared to how it was in the spring?

When Governor Northam closed schools in the spring, Fauquier County Public Schools followed guidelines issued from the Virginia Department of Education (VDOE). Those guidelines stated no new instruction should occur during the closure. FCPS followed these recommendations by advising teachers to focus on reviewing material already introduced to students, extending previous learning, and reviewing concepts and skills that had been taught before the closing. Our division also followed the recommended no-grading policy and participation in the online continued learning was optional. When schools reopen this fall, FCPS will be able to provide new instruction and will have taken many measures since the closure to ensure that all students can participate in learning. Our educators have engaged in professional learning to better prepare for the year ahead.

What courses will be offered, and who will be teaching the courses?

In most cases, FCPS can offer a full selection of courses to our students. FCPS teachers will teach the classes.

What will a typical daily schedule be like?

Students will engage in a combination of synchronous (at a set time and day on a schedule) and asynchronous (within a given time frame, but not at the same time) learning experiences. Families can expect to receive time schedules for classes early next week (beginning August 17).

DEVICE & MEAL DISTRIBUTION

Devices & Internet Access

Device and wifi hotspot distribution is scheduled for August 19 - 21 at your child's school. Please watch for school correspondence for specific dates and times. If you have not requested a device though the online registration process, please contact your school's registrar to add or modify your device request.

Grab-and-Go Meals

Meal distribution will begin again with new, expanded options around the county. Look for updates in the near future.