

SCHOOL REOPENING PLAN - COVID-19

Traditional Re-Opening

- Reopen schools on August 17, 2020 with health and safety procedures in place on campus.
- All students will begin their first day of school on August 17, 2020.

[Parent request for assistance form](#)

Option 2: Glades e-Learning

- The Glades e-Learning
- Families must notify the District by Monday, July 27th if they intend to utilize this option.
- Families will have the option of transitioning their child from one option to another option during the first ten days of school.
- Families must make a semester commitment. Notify the district 1 month prior to the beginning of the next semester if their child will return to campus.
- Students are formally enrolled in their option and will be assigned to a GCSD teacher.
- Students receive daily online instruction following a normal bell schedule.
- Standards-based pre-recorded and live-streamed lessons are provided by a GCSD teacher.
- Assignments will be accessed and submitted in Canvas.
- Students and teachers will communicate via Canvas, video-conference, email, and/or phone calls.
- Every effort will be made to maintain student schedules when students transition back to a traditional school environment.
- Students will be invited to come in for diagnostic testing each quarter.

Option 3: Mydistrict Virtual

- All Virtual Instruction Programs utilize our Heartland Consortium teachers.
- Most students, including home education and private school students, are eligible to participate in school district operated part-time or full-time kindergarten through grade 12 virtual instruction programs.
- It is recommended that students follow the Mydistrict weekly schedule to complete coursework or develop a daily schedule to complete required assignments.
- All full-time programs must operate on the traditional school calendar and students are required to have all coursework completed on or before the last day of school.
- Teachers, guidance, and administration will be monitoring student pace regularly.
- Families can enroll in Mydistrict Virtual by contacting the Director of Academic Services at (863)946-2083 to schedule an “in person”, phone, or video conference appointment.
- Mydistrict Virtual School begins on August 17, 2020.
- Families must make a **1 semester commitment** to Mydistrict Virtual School before returning to their traditional school.
- Families must notify Mydistrict Virtual and their assigned traditional school by **December 1, 2020** if they plan to return to their school campus on the first day of the 2nd semester—January 5, 2021.
- You will not lose your place at your assigned school if you return after 1 semester.

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Education Plan (IEP's) or 504 Plan accommodations in e-Learning

The IEP/504 team (general education teachers, special education teachers, related service providers and families) will collaborate to determine which accommodations are appropriate for the e-Learning platform.

Confidentiality and Student Privacy

Families who select Glades e-Learning, special education and related services providers may use digital platforms approved by the District for secure access. It is also important to note that at no time will there be any recording of lessons when students are present in the digital environment.

IEP - Related Services

- Glades e-Learning or MyVirtual - Students who require related services according to their IEP will receive services on school premises. Parents will be contacted to establish a schedule for related services at an assigned school site.
- Glades e-Learning or MyVirtual - Related services for students with specific health or support needs will be addressed in collaboration with families on an individual basis.

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Individualized Education Program (IEP) and 504 Plan Meetings

IEP/504 meetings will be held on school campuses in the traditional format. Parents may opt to attend IEP meetings via teleconference or virtually. Glades County School District is committed to providing families an opportunity to have meaningful participation in the special education process. IEP teams will partner with families to determine the most practical format to conduct IEP meetings.

Students Pursuing Access Standards

For students pursuing access standards, parents have the option of enrolling in traditional schools or Glades e-Learning.

Self-Contained ESE Teachers

Based on initial data, self-contained students that enroll in Glades e-Learning may not have the same teacher that they would have in the traditional setting. Additionally, these students may be served by a teacher that is providing services to students in a geographic region.

PK ESE Students

For PK ESE students (excluding VPK), parents have the option of enrolling in traditional schools or Glades e-Learning online. Glades e-Learning only provides services for K-12 students.

VPK must receive those services in the traditional school model in accordance with the State Early Learning Coalition guidelines.

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Related Services and Student Services

Elementary school level - On school campus students will stay with their same groups(cohort) in the classroom, the cafeteria, media center and playground. Efforts will be made to schedule ESE and IEP related services to occur within the cohort group. Students in e-Learning may come to school campuses to receive IEP related services (OT/SLP). There will be a set schedule so that space is reserved and to minimize as much mixing within a traditional cohort as possible.

Secondary level - ESE and IEP related services will occur within the traditional group. Students in e-Learning may come to school campuses to receive their IEP related services (OT/SLP). There will be a set schedule so that space is reserved and to minimize as much mixing within a traditional cohort as possible.

STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

Mental Health Services - GCSD students will continue to be eligible for mental health counseling via the Student Services' Mental Health staff during the school day regardless of which learning option they selected. Students will be able to meet with a mental health staff member by appointment. Services will be provided in a reserved space to minimize student's contact with staff.

Behavior Services

GCSD students will continue to be eligible for behavior services with the Behavior Specialist on school campus only. Glades e-Learning or MyVirtual students with specific health or support needs will be addressed in collaboration with families on an individual basis.