



Collinsville Community Unit School District 10

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Dear Kahok Family:

As we wind down the third academic quarter of the 2020-2021 school year, we want to provide a quick reminder regarding the option families have to change their child(ren)'s instructional learning plan.

Learning Plan choices/changes are:

- From Remote/Exclusive Online (i.e. at home Remote/Online instruction provided by CUSD10 Staff) to Hybrid/Blended (i.e. some days each week at school for in-person instruction, some days each week at home for Remote/Online instruction)
- From Hybrid/Blended to Remote/Exclusive Online.

Only parents wishing to change need to submit a change request. If you wish to have your child(ren) stay in their current learning plan, no action is required. If you wish to request a change, you can do so by putting the request in writing (i.e. E-Mail) to the school principal for each child OR complete the Google Form below for each child.

Written requests must be submitted to the building principal or the Google Form must be submitted by a parent or guardian NO LATER THAN Monday, March 1, 2021 (12:00PM) for each student requesting a change.

- Written requests should include the learning plan choice, student's name (first and last), the student's grade level, the parent/guardian name (first and last) and parent/guardian contact information.
- Use [THIS LINK](#) to access the Google Form to request/submit your learning environment change.

Please understand this selection will be in effect for the fourth academic quarter (from Monday, March 15, 2021 through the end of the 2020-2021 school year).

NOTE: At this time, the Unit 10 School District is preparing to implement a 4-day per week in-person Hybrid/Blended Learning Plan OR an exclusive Remote/Exclusive Online Learning plan for all students (K-12) for the final academic quarter for the 2020-2021 school year. **Those parents who wish to keep their child(ren) on a Hybrid/Blended Learning Plan or change from a Remote/Exclusive Online to a Hybrid/Blended Learning plan do so with the understanding that this will likely be a 4-day per week in-person learning plan.**

Attendance/Participation Expectations Remain:

Parents/guardians should understand that students will be expected to follow the remote learning expectations set by the District/State in order to be counted as present and earn grades during an exclusive Remote Learning Plan or on days of Remote Learning during the Hybrid/Blended Learning Plan. In order to access the instruction and curriculum via Remote Learning through the school district, the student must attend scheduled Google Meets sessions, participate in Google Classroom assignments and schedule individual meetings and conferences with their teacher(s).

Daily Health Certification is Required:

Families are reminded that in accordance with the Illinois Department of Public Health and Illinois State Board of Education requirements, students must be screened each day for COVID-19 symptoms and other criteria prior to entering a school building or entering a school bus. Parents must screen their child each day prior to sending their child to school. If your child does not meet all the following criteria as outlined on the [COVID-19 Daily Student Certification Checklist](#), you must keep your child at home and notify the school of your child's absence. Your child will not be permitted to return to school until he/she meets all return-to school criteria or your child's physician has released your child to return to school, whichever is applicable. If your child is experiencing COVID-19 symptoms, you should consult your health care provider for a diagnosis and treatment.

In-School Antigen Testing is Available:

Finally, we would like to thank all of the families who have completed the student Antigen Testing for COVID-19 permission forms. Just as a reminder, Collinsville Community Unit School District 10 has been offered an opportunity to participate in a Rapid Point-Of-Care Antigen Testing for COVID-19 in schools. The rapid point-of-care antigen nasal swab test is authorized by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and is recommended to diagnose past COVID-19 infection. [BiNaxNow](#) is a quick nasal swab test designed to give our trained health staff results within fifteen (15) minutes. Rapid POC antigen tests may be a useful diagnostic tool for testing students in the early stages of infection. This optional opportunity is a free COVID-19 testing option for parents/guardians and would only be used when a student is symptomatic at school or has symptoms when completing the self-certification health check. The potential benefits of the POC antigen test in schools include: rapid confirmation of suspected COVID-19, helping your child's healthcare provider to make a timely informed decision about your child's plan of care, assisting for an expedited and safe return to the classroom for students and to help to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 in school and community.

Any parents who would like for their child(ren) to be eligible for this free service must consent prior to the Unit 10 health staff conducting the COVID-19 Antigen Test for students. [Parent/Guardian Authorization and Consent for COVID-19 Testing](#) forms may be completed by any one of the following methods:

- 1) Electronically through the [Google Form](#) sent as a part of this notification
- 2) Download document posted on the [CUSD10 Website](#), print, sign and return to your child's school

If you have any questions or need any assistance completing the [Parent/Guardian Authorization and Consent for COVID-19 Testing](#) parent/guardian permission form, please contact your child(ren's) school.

We appreciate your assistance and cooperation as we continue to work with state and local health departments for the safe education of your children. Please know how much we all appreciate the partnership we have with our parents. Keeping your child(ren) safe as we teach during this pandemic is our highest priority, and we are committed to the health and safety of our students and staff in Collinsville CUSD10.

As always, if you have any questions regarding your child(ren)'s education, please reach out to your child(ren)'s teacher(s) and/or school principal.

Sincerely,

Brad Skertich

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