



General McLane School District

2021-2022

WHAT WILL SCHOOL LOOK LIKE?

We will return to our extracurricular and co-curricular programs and activities that make us who we are.

For example, we'll be welcoming volunteers back to classrooms, and students will be taking field trips again.

During the school day, students will have a familiar schedule and full lunch/recess periods.

School starts on Tuesday, August 31st, 2021



WHAT WE KNOW RIGHT NOW:

- GMSD students will attend school, in-person, for 5-days per week
- The school day will return to regular arrival/dismissal times for students
GMHS & JWPMS: 8 a.m.-2:45 p.m.
Elementary schools: 9 a.m.-3:45 p.m.
- Teachers will be in-person, in their classrooms

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WILL GMSD require face coverings for students?

In short, we don't know yet.

GMSD will follow any guidance issued from organizations, such as the Erie County Health Department, in the context of our local data.

The Pennsylvania Department of Health and the Pennsylvania Department of Education will not be issuing state guidance or recommendations before the 21-22 year, but GMSD hopes to establish some sort of decision on this in the coming weeks.

CDC guidance on masking recommends indoor mask use for those who are not fully vaccinated, including students, teachers and school staff. More on this is available here.

How it stands now, GMSD students who are riding any sort of bus will need to wear masks. That is a federal mandate that pertains to public transportation that we cannot change.

Will GMSD require vaccinations for students?

GMSD does not require proof of a COVID-19 vaccine for students. PDE is the governing body responsible for determining which vaccines are required for students' public school attendance.

What we will keep from the 2020-2021 School Year

- **Enhanced cleaning protocols**
- **Increased handwashing and visible sanitizer stations**
- **All GMSD students (K-12) will continue to receive an individualized learning device (iPad)**
- **No contact elementary pick-up/drop-off procedures**
- **Increased ventilation in buildings and on buses**
- **Continued use of Schoology (Grades 5-12) and SeeSaw (Grades K-3)**
- **We will continue to ask parents and families to screen students carefully before sending students to school ill or showing sickness symptoms**

Details that will "return to normal" for the 2021-2022 School Year

- **Specials resume as normal at all grade levels (art, music, theater, etc)**
- **All students will resume switching classrooms as normal**
- **Water fountains turned back on**
- **Shared classroom supplies, books, etc. will be permitted**
- **Normal lunch and recess periods**
- **Visitors welcomed back; field trips resume**
- **Building events (orientations, shows, etc.) will resume as normal**
- **Students that ride buses will be permitted to sit near driver and with other students from outside his/her household**

Questions? Feel free to email the Superintendent's Office by reaching out to Director of Communications and Services Sarah Grabski at sarahgrabski@generalmclane.org or call 814-273-1033 ext 5901. Our goal is engaging and effective communication to share up-to-date information as quickly as possible with families this summer.