

Selinsgrove Area School District's Plan for Reopening

Frequently Asked Questions – Educational Options

- Will daily attendance be required under all three educational options?
 - Yes. The Selinsgrove Area School District will be required to account for daily attendance for each of the educational options outlined (In-Person, Distance Learning, and Cyber).
 - o Daily attendance will be taken for In-Person instruction, and a daily procedure/form will be required of students participating in virtual options.
- Will traditional grades be given for students participating in virtual options?
 - Yes. Students participating in In-Person or virtual options will held accountable for all instructional activities.
- How will a 1-Hour Delayed schedule benefit students?
 - O This adjusted schedule:
 - reduces the quantity of time that students are in proximity to one another for extended periods of time.
 - provides an opportunity for faculty to generate impactful learning opportunities for students participating In-Person and through Distance Learning.
 - allows all district staff to ensure that cleaning and sanitizing procedures are completed prior to students entering the buildings.
- Can families switch between educational options?
 - o Flexibility does exist between the In-Person and Distance Learning options. The intent of the Flexible Instructional Model is to allow for a continuity of education in the event a student needs to quarantine or if there is a school closure. This flexibility is not intended to serve as a "come and go" approach due to a potential delay in asynchronous or recorded lessons. However, specific accommodations for families who would prefer a blended model (i.e. In-Person for specific classes or courses and Distance Learning for the remainder of classes or courses.)
 - o Families will be asked to complete a survey indicating their choice of educational option.
 - O Students may attend in-person for a particular class or course, but this should occur on a predictable/regular basis.
- What are the differences between the Distance Learning and Cyber options?
 - o Students participating in the Distance Learning option will work in a way that mirrors their regular classroom or schedule. Distance Learning will be facilitated by Selinsgrove teachers. Content and activities will be provided through an online learning platform and include recorded lessons and explanations with live or real time opportunities to engage with staff. Time will be utilized throughout the day for teachers to interact with distance learning students.
 - The Cyber option allows for students to participate in more isolated courses or curricular offerings delivered through an online vendor. SASD partners with the CSIU in order to provide this option. Courses are set up independent from Selinsgrove classrooms and are to be completed in their entirety. This option could be used in conjunction with In-Person instruction in a hybrid approach (i.e. A student could attend school for a hands-on course but complete other courses via the Cyber program.
 - For continued family flexibility, distance learning would be the preferred option due to the ability to seamlessly transition to In-Person opportunities if desired.
- Will the Distance Learning option (to start this upcoming school year) be different than the Distance Learning that was implemented to end last school year?
 - O YES. Like most districts, the goal in the spring was to provide a continuity of education in response to a crisis. As the new school year approaches, action steps are in place that will result in the Distance Learning option aligning with traditional or in-person classes to the greatest extent possible.
 - o Families will see consistency when it comes to online learning platforms. **K-2 students will use the See Saw platform**, 3-8 students will use Google Classroom and High School students will use Microsoft Office Teams. Other web-based programs will be incorporated into daily lessons, but these will be accessed through the designated learning platforms (See Saw K to 2; Google Classroom 3 to 8; or Office Teams 9-12).

- o Elective/Related Arts classes will be offered through Distance Learning (K-12)
- Wills students have access to services under each of the educational options?
 - Yes. All students will have access to student services including, but not limited to, special education, guidance, social work, related service providers, etc.
 - o Although supports will be available to all students, Distance Learning platforms do allow for easier access to district support personnel.
- What is the difference between Selinsgrove's Cyber/Distance Learning option and other out-of-district cyber school providers?
 - The Selinsgrove options allow for students to remain fully enrolled in the Selinsgrove Area School District.
 - The Selinsgrove options provide full access to all services and supports within the district.
 - o Students enrolling in out-of-district cyber schools withdraw from the district and enroll in a different public entity.

