

# T/E School District Full In-Person and Virtual Instruction Models FAQs



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**Are students participating in the virtual instruction model guaranteed to keep their current teachers and schedules? Could there be schedule or teacher changes for students participating in the in-person model?**

We anticipate that there will not be a need for schedule changes for students who remain in the virtual instructional model. While we hope to avoid schedule changes whenever possible, it is possible that physical distancing guidance for in-person students could necessitate some schedule changes.

**Would TESD reduce the number of in-person instruction days if cases surge later in the year?**

Changes to the instruction models could occur after a localized outbreak or after three consecutive weeks in the Very High county transmission level.

**Will students be six feet apart during lunch?**

Building principals are currently evaluating all options to maximize the amount of distance between students during lunch. While plans cannot be finalized until the commitment form window closes and we have an accurate count of how many students will be participating in in-person instruction, we want parents to know that we cannot guarantee six feet of physical distance while students are eating but we will do our best to get as close to six feet as possible.

**Will teachers continue to teach both in-person and virtual students simultaneously?**

We plan to keep the current teaching model for the remainder of the 2020-2021 school year. A change to the current model, such as having some teachers designated for in-person students and other teachers designated for virtual students, would require schedule changes for many students and would be a significant disruption for students. Additionally, in-person students who need to remain home for a period of time due to quarantine or symptoms may remain engaged with all current classwork.

**Will there be any changes to the virtual instructional model once more students are in-person?**

Virtual students should expect to continue participating in synchronous, live instruction via Microsoft Teams, just as they are now.

**Will students enrolled in the virtual model be allowed to participate in extra-curricular activities and school athletic programs?**

Any activities available to students participating in the in-person model will be available to students participating in the virtual model. Students who learn virtually will be required to complete the District health screening form prior to participating in any activities in person.

**Will there be before/after care when students return to four or five days of in-person instruction? Will A Child's Place be available for kindergarten students?**

We have been informed by A Child's Place that they do not intend to offer any programs in our schools

for the remainder of the 2020-2021 school year. There is [a list of community childcare resources](#) available in the reopening section of the TESD website to assist families with finding local childcare programs.

**At the elementary level, will in-person students receive reading and math instruction through the iPad?**

Reading and math instruction will be delivered live by the classroom teacher. Additionally, there are components of independent practice and extension in both reading and math that students will be able to access through their iPads whether they are attending virtual or in person.

**Will Conestoga students be eligible for privileges (free periods and lunch)?**

All high school students, grades 9-12, will be eligible for [free period privileges](#) which entitles students to leave the building during an unassigned class period or study hall. This privilege will be extended to all periods of the school day for all grades. [Lunch privileges](#) will be available for juniors and seniors only, permitting them to leave campus during lunch. Parents will be required to submit a signed student privilege form, if they have not already done so or if they wish to change their child's privileges. Students utilizing privileges must be transported by a parent/family member or utilize their assigned parking privilege.

**How will Conestoga High School provide student parking?**

Conestoga will maximize the use of the student parking lot. Seniors will be given priority for parking permits. If space permits, juniors will be considered for parking opportunities as we are able. Once the in-person enrollment is finalized, additional information will be communicated and new permits will be issued. Families of juniors should plan to utilize District provided transportation or parent drop off/pick up until further notice.

**Does TESD intend to provide five days of in-person instruction in the 2021-2022 school year?**

Unless there is a significant negative shift in pandemic conditions, TESD will provide five days of in-person instruction in the fall of 2021.

**Will TESD continue to offer a 100% virtual instruction option in the 2021-2022 school year?**

The District will evaluate whether or not to offer a 100% virtual instruction model next year, and in what format, throughout the spring.