

Methacton

Plan for Reopening
Methacton Schools



Considerations

- Athletic and Activities Health and Safety Plan starting August 10/17
- Driver Education plan (on the road training) August 3
- Health and Safety Plan for Reopening Methacton Schools August 31

Process

- Gather input/feedback
 - Surveys
 - Focus Groups
- Provide Direction to Staff for Planning online Instruction – Methacton Online Framework
- Continue reviewing/monitoring guidance from experts
- Develop Draft of Plan
- Peer/Parent/Staff/Pandemic Team Reviews/Feedback
- Present plan to board of school directors
- Hold Parent Feedback session
- Approve final plan



On Premises

Options



Methacton On-Line

Traditional Instructional Programming with modifications for:

- Symptom screening
- Social distancing
- Face coverings
- Cleaning/sanitation/disinfection
- Communications

Online instructional program featuring:

- Blend of synchronous and asynchronous instruction
- Live Synchronous instruction via online meeting platform (Zoom)
- Consistent Routines and daily schedule similar to on premises
- Mix of whole class, small group and individual connections
- Instruction planned, delivered and supported by Methacton Staff

Enrollment Status as of 7/30

- 4,731 District Enrollment (June 2020)
- 1,729 Committed to On Premises
- 1,195 Committed to On Line

- 2,924 Or 61% of Enrollment Committed as of 7/30
- 25% Total Enrollment currently committed to On Line

Process Forward

- Assuming the Board Approves Calendar Adjustment (on agenda)

July 30	Health and Safety Plan Approved
July 31	Decision letter in mail
July 31-Aug 5	Other forms of communication calls/email etc. on decision notice
August 5	Last Day for Choice - all levels K-12
August 6 /7	Personal Phone call to outstanding families
August 7	Administrative Target Determination
August 10	Potential for - Special Board Meeting - <u>may be required</u> if we do not meet numbers
	August 11, 2020 - communicate decision/options as approved
September 8	First Student Day

Considerations/Challenges Forward

- Expectations
- Potential on premises student moves
- Course access limitations
- Class sizes challenges
- Potential staffing challenges
- Potential increase in costs
- Access to PPE and cleaning resources
- What other districts are doing

Action

- Approve plan as is with amendment for student start from August 31 to September 8

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On Line Only

For 1st Marking Period

(Early November 2020)





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- [Other information located here](#)

Sample Schedules

Elementary Sample Schedule K-6

(Kindergarten time would be halved)

Subject	Synchronous	Synchronous/Asynchronous	Parent Support
Morning Meeting Teacher Facilitated	20 Minutes		
English Language Arts Teacher Facilitated	20-30 Minutes		
English Language Arts Independent		60 Minutes	20 Minutes
Mathematics Teacher Facilitated	20-30 Minutes		
Mathematics Independent		50 Minutes	20 Minutes
Science/Social Studies Teacher Facilitated	20-30 Minutes		10 Minutes
Instructional Intervention Teacher Facilitated	30 Minutes		10 Minutes
Special Areas Teacher Facilitated	40 Minutes		10 Minutes
Closing Meeting Teacher Facilitated	20 Minutes		
Total Minutes Per Day	200 Minutes	110 Minutes	70 Minutes

Methacton Online Grades 7-8 Sample Schedule

Students will follow their typical 6 day cycle schedule with each day organized into 8 periods of 45 minutes each.

School day will begin at 8:15 AM and end at 3:00 PM

Students will be provided Synchronous sessions and asynchronous sessions aligned to the student's individual online schedule

Opportunities to engage with teachers synchronously

Continuation of support services

Related services will be delivered synchronously

Close of day meeting (8th period)

Parent support will vary based on individual student learning needs, however it is estimated to be significantly less, in general, than that of elementary (K-6) parents

Live teacher Lessons will be recorded and available asynchronously

Synchronous Zoom Breakout Rooms can be utilized throughout the day to address small group learning

Methacton Online High School Sample Schedule

Students will follow their typical brick and mortar schedule of a 7 period per day of 46 minutes each

School day will begin at 7:35 AM and end at 2:20 PM

Synchronous and asynchronous sessions are aligned to the student's individual online schedule

Range of academic courses offered, including AP classes, dual enrollment, honors

Opportunities to engage with teachers synchronously

Related services will be delivered synchronously

Parent support will vary based on individual student learning needs, however it is estimated to be significantly less, in general, than that of Arcola (7-8) parents

Live teacher Lessons will be recorded and available asynchronously

Synchronous Zoom Breakout Rooms can be utilized throughout the day to address small group learning

Process Forward All On Line

- Assuming the Board Approves Calendar Adjustment

July 30	Health and Safety Plan Approved
July 31	Decision letter in mail/Email/Call
September 8	First Student Day
October 15	Draft plan presented for beyond 1 st Marking Period

In Person Services

- Related Services Clinic
- Student Services Center
- Grab-N-Go Meal Distribution
- In-Person Social Opportunities

Related Services Clinic

- Mental Health/Counseling
- Speech & Language
- Occupational Therapy
- Physical Therapy
- Behavioral Supports (BcBA)
- Hearing Support
- Vision Support
- Orientation and Mobility Training
- Psychoeducational Evaluations/Reevaluations

Student Services Center

- Reading Support
- Math Support
- English Language Development (ELD) Services
- Emotional Support
- Gifted Education
- Special Education
- Title I Services
- School Counseling
- Technology Support

Grab-N-Go Meal Distribution

- All district students will have access to packaged meals through Aramark and district food services program (Drive up distribution)
- Use Skyview Arcola Campus as district hub for distribution with some satellite mobile distribution in certain community locations
- Continue with Backpack program

Grades K-4: In-Person Social Opportunities

- Scheduled social opportunities in grades K-4
- In-person structured session per week held at each elementary school
- Opportunity to interact with their classroom peers while engaging in educational activities
- Adherence to health and safety protocols and social distancing guidelines will be required

SAMPLE MONTHLY SCHEDULE – By School

Week #	Special – In Person*	Special – Virtual
1	Physical Education	Weeks 2, 3, 4
2	Art	Weeks 1, 3, 4
3	Music	Weeks 1, 2, 4
4	Library	Weeks 1, 2, 3

SAMPLE WEEKLY SCHEDULE – By School, by Special

Times	Monday 1 st Grade	Tuesday 2 nd Grade	Wednesday 3 rd Grade	Thursday 4 th Grade	Friday Kindergarten
9 am to 10 am	Section 1	Section 1	Section 1	Section 1	Section 1 AM
10:15 am to 11:15 am	Section 2	Section 2	Section 2	Section 2	Section 1 PM
11:30 am to 12:30 pm	Section 3	Section 3	Section 3	Section 3	Section 2 AM
LUNCH					
1 pm to 2 pm	Section 4	Section 4	Section 4	Section 4	Section 2 PM
2:15 pm to 3:15 pm	Section 5*	Section 5*	Section 5*	Section 5*	Section 3 AM

Grades 5-6: In-Person Social Opportunities

Meet & Eats (Via Sign-Up)

Scheduled *Meet & Eats* (luncheons limited to 75 students per lunch) will also be offered on a weekly basis for students in grades 5-6. It is important to note that these *Meet & Eats* would be offered during the green/yellow phases only.

SAMPLE MONTHLY SCHEDULE – Skyview

Week 1	Physical Education Classes
Week 2	Option sessions; sign up required to include special area activities, career exploration, STEM, wellness opportunities
Week 3	Physical Education Classes
Week 4	Option sessions; sign up required to include special area activities, career exploration, STEM, wellness opportunities
Week 5	Physical Education Classes
Week 6	Option sessions; sign up required to include special area activities, career exploration, STEM, wellness opportunities

In Person Social Opportunities – Arcola

- **Meet & Eats** (via Sign-Up)
- **Transition to MHS Activities** (via Sign-Up)
- **Scheduled Clubs/Activities** (via Sign-Up) (examples)
 - Music (small group ensembles for band, chorus and orchestra)
 - Technology/Coding/Stem
 - Various Sports/Movement Clubs- PE department
 - Best Buddies
 - Reading/Writing/Reading Olympics
 - Gaming: Chess/Board and Cards
 - Multicultural (World Language and Diversity)
 - NJHS
 - Philanthropy
 - Student Congress
 - Toys for Tots
 - Yearbook

In Person Social Opportunities – Methacton High School

- **Meet & Eats** (via Sign-Up)
- **Transition to MHS Activities** (via Sign-Up)
- **Scheduled Clubs/Activities** (via Sign-Up) (examples)
 - Academic Decathlon
 - Art Honor Society
 - Music (small group ensembles for band, chorus and orchestra)
 - Robotics
 - Best Buddies
 - Electric Car Club
 - Environmental
 - Key Club
 - Kids Against Crisis
 - Reading Olympics
 - GSA
 - Yearbook

Considerations/Challenges Forward

- Expectations
- Revisit in Early October
- Potential reduction of some support staff
- Singular focus forward for all
- What districts are doing around us
- Athletics

Action

- Approve plan as is with amendment for student start from August 31 to September 8, to direct the Superintendent to provide Methacton Online programming to all students through the end of the first semester 2020/2021, and to re-evaluate options for the second semester forward by October 15, 2020.