



July 29, 2020

Dear Secondary Families,

As you are aware, the MSD of Lawrence Township’s start of school has been delayed due to updated information from the Governor, Mayor of Indianapolis, and Marion County Public Health Department (MCPHD) regarding the COVID-19 pandemic. The first day for students for the 2020-2021 school year has shifted from Monday, August 3 to Thursday, August 13.

Due to the recent increase of COVID-19 cases in Marion County, coupled with the recommendation of MCPHD Director, Dr. Virginia Caine, the MSD of Lawrence Township will be shifting to an in-person hybrid model for secondary students in grades 7-12. This includes Belzer Middle School, Fall Creek Valley Middle School, Lawrence Central & Lawrence North High Schools, McKenzie Center for Innovation & Technology, and Lawrence Advance Academy. This will replace the current “in-person” option, while the full virtual option will still be available. This hybrid model will allow for better social distancing, as less than 50% of students will be in the school buildings at any given time. Transportation will be available to students on their designated days. Maintaining the current in-person or virtual option for students in grades K-6 is recommended by the MCPHD, as the transmittal rate for children in this age group is minimal. Please see the schedules below for the secondary hybrid model.

High Schools:

	Monday Green/Gray	Tuesday Red/Maroon	Wednesday Green/Gray	Thursday Red/Maroon	Friday - 7 period or Flex Day
Student Last Name A-L	Attend In Person	Attend In Person	Virtual	Virtual	Virtual
Student Last Name M-Z	Virtual	Virtual	Attend in Person	Attend in Person	Virtual
Virtual Program	Virtual	Virtual	Virtual	Virtual	Virtual

Middle Schools:

	Monday Periods 1-7	Tuesday Periods 1-7	Wednesday Periods 1-7	Thursday Periods 1-7	Friday Periods 1-7
Student Last Name A-L	Attend in Person	Attend In Person	Virtual	Virtual	Virtual
Student Last Name M-Z	Virtual	Virtual	Attend in Person	Attend in Person	Virtual
Virtual Program	Virtual	Virtual	Virtual	Virtual	Virtual


Given this change of course, it is possible that some secondary (7-12) families will wish to opt out of their previous full virtual selection and instead pursue this hybrid model. To do this, please follow the links below to complete the virtual un-enrollment form. One form should be completed and submitted per student. Please note that those who elect to remain in the virtual model will still be eligible to participate in extracurricular activities. Please contact your building principal with questions specific to your child's instructional plan.

[Click here to complete the form for Removal from the Virtual program – English](#)

[Click here to complete the form for Removal from the Virtual program – Spanish](#)

We appreciate the ongoing support of our families during this time of rapid transition. We will continue to work with the MCPHD daily to monitor relevant data and will adjust this instructional plan, if needed.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Shawn A. Smith". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Shawn" being the most prominent part.

Dr. Shawn A. Smith  
Superintendent of Schools