



Dr. Thelma F. Sojourner
SUPERINTENDENT

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Beverly P. Bonaparte
Blossom J. Thompson
Loretta P. Goodman
Larry D. Bias
Tonie A. Holman

Learning Options for Students Attending Bamberg School District Two

Bamberg School District Two will deliver instruction through two major models:

- **Hybrid Model** which includes instruction being offered on alternating days, Monday/Wednesday or Tuesday/Thursday with all instruction being virtual on Friday.
- **Virtual Model** involves all students attending 100% online instruction each day of the week.

Parents may register their child to receive either Hybrid or Virtual instruction. These options will be used in the elementary, middle and high schools.

The district has drafted scheduling scenarios for returning students that include attendance with social distancing as a key factor in order to enhance safety for everyone. Instructional content will be offered to all students; attendance will be required; and students' work will be assessed. Students will interact with teachers live online and teachers will assign independent work times for students without live interaction. Fridays will involve all students completing virtual interaction with teachers.

Once parents have completed the "choice form" which has been previously given, specific schedules for online instruction will be finalized and parents will be informed of the schedule your child has been assigned. Special consideration is given for students from the same home to ensure they are attending school on the same day if the parents have selected Hybrid schedules. **Please complete your selection by Thursday, September 3, 2020** if you have not completed the form at or during registration.

To the extent possible, students will be assigned to a cohort for the school year. The intent is to keep class sizes to a minimum to ensure safe distancing in each classroom. If a parent decides to change the cohort to which the child has been assigned, they must first inform the building principal and guidance counselor and they will evaluate the request and inform the parents of their school's decision. Students will not be permitted to change learning options prior to the end of each quarter or nine-week grading period. This process will help the school to determine class size and maximize distancing in each classroom. Practicing social distancing and safety is the top priority for the Hybrid model of instruction. Meanwhile, total virtual students will continue throughout the school year with online instruction. Instruction will continue to include online and in-person learning as well as blending learning strategies and digital resources. There will be video conferencing and online support offered to both parents and students.

Again, the final day to complete the "choice form" is **Thursday, September 3, 2020**. Schedules will be completed by your child's school and you will be informed of the cohort to which your child has been assigned. The district will adjust the traditional models for special education and ESOL students. Teachers will contact parents to ensure schedules are clear and students are completing assignments according to time needed. Some students will complete on-site lessons as deemed necessary by the child's assigned teacher. All accommodations will be completed by the teachers for each special needs or ESOL student.

Some students in all three schools will move between classes during the day. Students will practice social distancing in their classrooms and during transitions throughout the day. One-way traffic in hallways, whenever possible, will occur, as well as wearing masks, washing hands, disinfection and cleaning.

Transportation will continue to use the same bus routes as previously scheduled. Students are required to wear masks on the bus. Buses will be sanitized daily and students will be required to sit no more than two per seat.

Please inform your school of the learning option you choose for your child by September 3, 2020.