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Bremond ISD has the right to be more stringent on these recommendations based on health and safety of the school campus.

Bremond ISD provides traditional, in-person instruction to all students PK-12. In the event that we have confirmed cases of COVID-19, those that are affected will be required to return to remote instruction for the period of quarantine. During those instances, students and parents will be assisted to ensure appropriate educational resources are provided for the continuous success of all students.

TRADITIONAL IN-PERSON SCHOOL

• Face to face instructional setting with new health protocols in place

VIRTUAL SCHOOL assigned to students affected by COVID-19 or quarantine requirements only.

- Asynchronous instruction that does not require having the instructor and student engaged at the same time.
- The student is required to be engaged daily with work and the teacher is required to give feedback.
- Students are expected to be actively engaged in learning for a minimum of 3 hours per day for grades PK-5.
- Students are expected to be actively engaged in learning for a **minimum of 4 hours per day** for grades 6-12.
- Coursework will have the same expectations as in-class learning.

A student will be considered absent from virtual school if the student does not have documented engagement with the Learning Management System (Google Classroom) and/or daily contact with the teacher, and/or documentation of completion/turn in of daily assignments. Students not meeting the 90% attendance rule will be subject to truancy laws.

Bremond ISD Safety Protocols		
COVID 19-Exposure	It is recommended that with a close contact of COVID-19 exposure, the individual should stay home for 5 days (previously 10 days) and continue to monitor for symptoms.	
	Symptoms that resemble COVID-19 If you are not evaluated by a medical professional, the individual may return to school when all three of the following criteria are met: Is fever free for 24 hours without medication Has improvement in symptoms At least 5 days have passed since symptoms first appeared	
	 OR The individual must: Obtain a medical professional's note clearing the individual for return based on an alternative diagnosis OR Obtain a negative COVID-19 test The individual is allowed to return to campus only if the COVID-19 test is negative. 	



MASKS	Per GA-38, school systems cannot require students or staff to wear a mask. GA-38 addresses government-mandated face coverings in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. School systems must allow individuals to wear a mask if they choose to do so.
CLASSROOMS & OTHER LEARNING ENVIRONMENTS	 Each area will have hand sanitizer available. Door handles and other highly used surfaces will be disinfected throughout the day. Eliminate the use of communal supplies as much as possible. Limit or stagger student movement within the classroom and hallways. Whenever possible, PE classes will be held outside to allow for maximum physical distance between students. Equipment used by multiple students will be disinfected.
CAFETERIA BREAKFAST & LUNCH PROCEDURES	 Depending on the number of students in the school, students may have meals in both the cafeteria and the classroom. Hand sanitizer will be available. Lunch deliveries from outside entities or parents will not be permitted. Students are encouraged to bring water bottles to school.
RECESS, LIBRARY, & COMPUTER LAB	 Cohort groups will have scheduled recess on the playground and practice field. Equipment will be disinfected throughout the day. Library will remain open, with minimal students from cohort classes scheduled weekly. Area/books will be sprayed often throughout the day. Place holders will be sanitized and labeled, "Used or Ready to Use". Returned books will be carted, sanitized, and shelved after three days. Computer lab will remain open for scheduled cohort classes each week. Keyboards will be disinfected after use. Students will be socially distanced as much as possible.
FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS	 Q: How do I know if my student is a close contact? A: Parents/Guardians will be notified by the school nurse or school administration if their student is considered clase contact. Q: What is close contact? A: As a reference, close contact determinations are generally based on guidance outlined by the CDC, which notes that individuals who are vaccinated are not considered close contacts. Given the data showing very low COVID-19 transmission rates in a classroom setting and data demonstrating lower transmission rates among children than adults, school systems are not required to conduct COVID-19 contact tracing. If school systems are made aware that a student is a close contact, the school system should notify the student's parents. With parent permission, our BISD school nurse has the ability to screen for COVID-19, rapid test. Q: How will content be delivered in Virtual School if my student is a close contact or becomes infectious?



A: Parents of students who are considered close contacts have the option to continue traditional, In-Person school as long as students are not symptomatic.
Parents of students who are determined to be close contacts of an individual with COVID-19 may opt to keep their students at home during the recommended stay-at-home period (up to 10 days)
Q: If quarantined, what curriculum will be taught in Virtual School? A: The curriculum in both Virtual School and Traditional In-Person will be the same. The curriculum is based on the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS).
Q: If quarantined, will my child have to take the STAAR (State assessment) if he/she is in Virtual School?
A: Yes. According to the Texas Education Agency, there is currently no plan to eliminate any standardized testing regardless of whether students participate online or in person. STAAR tests are administered in-person, on campus.
Q: If quarantined, will my child be expected to attend remote/online classes everyday? What is the attendance requirement?
A: Students in both programs are subject to compulsory attendance laws. All students enrolled in remote/online instruction must check-in and engage in learning activities in all classes daily. Students must be in attendance for at least 90 percent of the time the course is offered in order to receive credit or a final grade. Failure to check in and engage in learning daily could result in truancy charged for not meeting the 90% compulsory attendance law.
Q: If quarantined, what are the technology requirements for Virtual School? A: Students will need internet access and a laptop, tablet, or similar device capable of connecting to the internet.
Q: If quarantined, what if I want to do Virtual School but do not have access to technology and/or internet?
A: Parents can contact <u>smcnutt@bremondisd.net</u> , <u>jburnett@bremondisd.net</u> , or <u>klgroholski@bremondisd.net</u> to make arrangements, based on need and access.
Q: My child receives services through special education. If quarantine, will these services continue in for Virtual School?
A: Special education instruction and/or related services will be provided in accordance with the ARD/IEP. Campuses will work with individual parents to ensure student needs are met virtually or in person.
Q: If quarantined, will my child receive services from dyslexia in Virtual School? A: Yes. Teachers trained in the dyslexia program will provide remote/online Instruction to identified students.
Q: My child receives services through the gifted and talented program. If quarantined, will these services continue in remote/online Instruction? A: GT students will be served virtually by the GT teacher through extensions and enrichment.
Q: What counseling support is available with remote/online Instruction if my student is quarantined?
A: Our BISD school counselor will assist students and/or families with any concerns virtually.
Q: How do we register for school this year?





A: The first step in registration is to complete the Online registration forms which you can find on the Bremond ISD Website. Find the Parent Portal under Quicklinks. After you have submitted the forms, you can contact the campus for a registration appointment (for new students only). You will need to bring proof of residency, birth certificate, social security card, identification for parents and your immunization record to your registration appointment. Texas is going to require immunization records for both in-person and virtual students. If you are not able to complete the form in advance, please notify the registrar when you make the appointment so they allow time to assist you with completing the form. Masks will be required when you come for registration. Please limit the number of people coming to registration as much as possible. Q: What precautions are going to be put in place to reduce possible exposure to COVID-19? A: There are many mitigation strategies we are implementing to reduce the possible spread of COVID-19 in our schools. These include enhanced routine cleaning and disinfecting, physical distancing in classrooms and common areas, frequent hand hygiene by students and staff, and many others.
Q: Will students' temperatures be checked? A: Temperature checks of asymptomatic students at school is not recommended. All parents are asked to monitor their student(s) for signs and symptoms of COVID including taking their temperature and keeping their student(s) home who have symptoms and/or a temperature of 100.0°F or greater.

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