

# PANTHER PLAN

YELLVILLE-SUMMIT PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
CONTINUITY OF LEARNING PLAN



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# INTRODUCTION

Yellville-Summit Public Schools are prepared for Continued Learning. In this document, we have included information about the school year as well as resources for parents, guardians, students, and community members. We will adjust our procedures when necessary as we navigate the school year and will do our best to keep you up to date. We look forward to serving our students, whether in person or digitally.



***BELIEVE—ACHIEVE—SUCCEED***

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# LEARNING OPTIONS

## BLENDED



In the blended option, students will attend face-to-face classes five days per week in the classroom. Technology-driven instruction will be delivered by teachers. Should school be closed due to an outbreak, instruction will transition to online blended learning.

For more information about our blended option, see [page 5](#).

## DIGITAL



The Digital Learning Program is an online program with offsite instructors. Your child will be required to log in and complete one lesson per day per subject. You can estimate your child will spend around four hours each day logging in and working. Parents are also encouraged to give feedback to the child.

For more information about our Digital Learning Program, see [page 6](#).





# BLENDED LEARNING

- Students will attend classes at school five days a week and participate in technology-driven instruction.
- All core courses will be available in [Google Classroom](#).
- School supplies will be provided to all students grades K-12.
- Should school be closed due to an outbreak, instruction will transition to online blended learning.
- Students will be expected to bring their own water bottles.
- Students grades 9-12 will be issued a Chromebook which they will be expected to bring to class each day and take home each night.
- Clear backpacks for grades 5-12 will be provided by the district.

**YELLVILLE-SUMMIT PUBLIC SCHOOLS ARE COMMITTED TO PROVIDING A SAFE AND HEALTHY LEARNING ENVIRONMENT FOR ALL STUDENTS. WE WILL FOLLOW THE ARKANSAS READY FOR LEARNING MODEL AND CONSULT THE ADH FOR GUIDANCE AND RECOMMENDATIONS.**

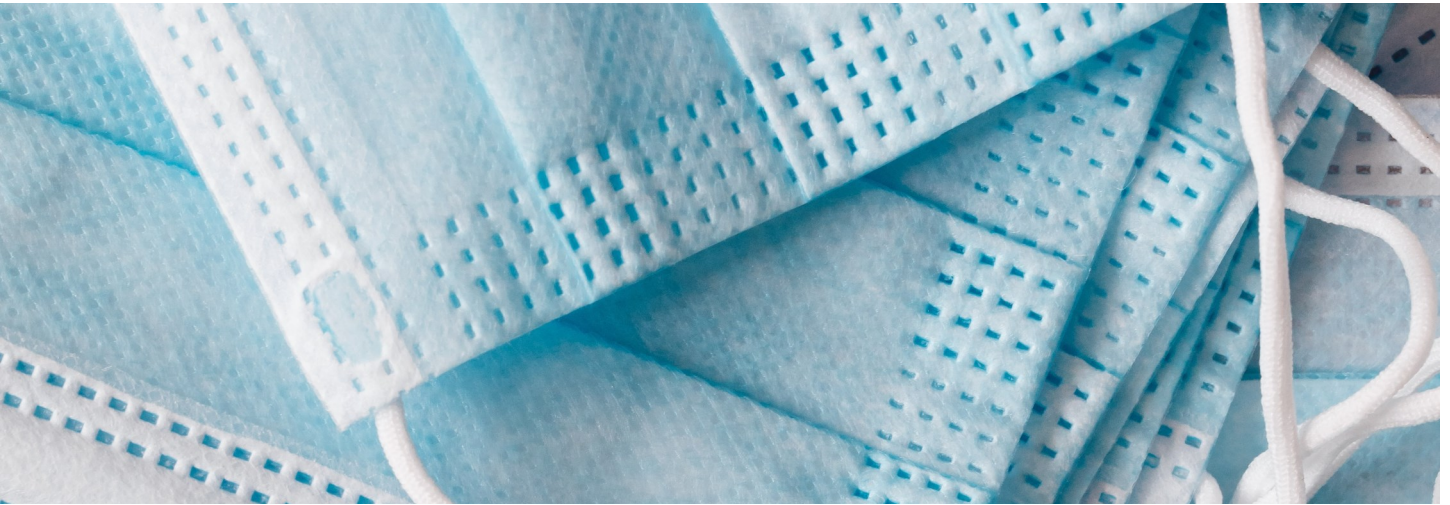


# DIGITAL LEARNING

- The Digital Learning Program includes:
  - \ Educational consultations to parents/guardians
  - \ Access to instructional technology
  - \ Up to a \$50 monthly Internet stipend (August-May) per family
  - \ One Chromebook per student
  - \ State-mandated testing
  - \ A high school diploma upon completion of credits
- The program is FREE and serves grades K-12.
- Unless state-mandated testing changes, students will be required to take tests on campus.
- Students enrolled in the Digital Learning Program are eligible for AAA-sanctioned activities should they meet the requirements.
- You may access the online provider for grades K-8 at this link:  
[www.lincolnlarningsolutions.org/coursecatalog](http://www.lincolnlarningsolutions.org/coursecatalog)
- You may access the online provider for grades 9-12 at this link:  
[www.virtualarkansas.org/268781\\_2](http://www.virtualarkansas.org/268781_2)

## CONTACT INFORMATION

For more information about the Digital Learning Program, contact Marilyn Pangle, Program Director, at [marilyn.pangle@ysk12.com](mailto:marilyn.pangle@ysk12.com) or 870-449-9327.



# FACE COVERINGS

- Face coverings are not required for students, but they are allowed,
- Face coverings are not required for Yellville-Summit Public School employees, but they are allowed.
- Any face coverings brought from home are welcome, but must be school appropriate.





# SANITATION

- Protective equipment, hand sanitizer, soap, paper towels, and tissues will be provided throughout the elementary, middle, and high schools.
- Each classroom will have a hand sanitizing station.
- Each classroom will be cleaned daily with disinfectant products.
- Touchless water bottle filling stations will be available.
- High-touch areas will be cleaned frequently.
- Teachers will communicate with students expectations for personal hygiene and restroom use.
- Students will be expected to wash their hands frequently throughout the day and be responsible for cleaning their own learning spaces.



# SOCIAL DISTANCING

- Social distancing, also called “physical distancing,” means keeping at least three (3) feet between you and others.
- Signs will be in place to direct traffic in the hallways and help students maintain appropriate spacing.
- Staff will monitor students during class changes to encourage social distancing

## SAFETY TIPS

*To protect yourself and others, the ADH recommends:*

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- Use hand sanitizer when soap and water are not available.
- Practice physical distancing. Avoid close contact with others by keeping at least three (3) feet between you and others.

Source: [www.healthy.arkansas.gov/programs-services/topics/novel-coronavirus](http://www.healthy.arkansas.gov/programs-services/topics/novel-coronavirus)





# SCHOOL PROCEDURES

## In the Classroom

- Instruction on handwashing and personal hygiene procedures will be required and taught to students.
- Use of shared school supplies will be discouraged, and when any supplies are shared they will be disinfected between uses.
- Any student or employee exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19 will be sent to the nurse immediately for evaluation and may be sent home.



# WHEN YOU ARE SICK

## For Students

- Parents and guardians are expected to perform screenings each day before students leave home.
- At-home screening will reduce the risk that a student will have to be isolated at school and sent home.
- Students who have taken fever-reducing medications in the past 24 hours should stay home until they are fever-free without the use of medication for 24 hours.

## For Employees

- Employees are expected to adhere to the same guidelines and screening procedures as students and stay home if they are exhibiting symptoms.
- Employees must report any symptoms or exposures to administration.



# EXPOSURE PROCEDURES

- Staff will be trained on how to properly isolate students and staff members at school should they be symptomatic.
- The COVID-19 Point of Contact and the nurse for Yellville-Summit Public Schools will work closely with the ADH for guidance on symptomatic individuals, positive cases, and contact tracing.
- Yellville-Summit Public Schools will communicate with necessary parents, guardians, and/or staff regarding potential exposures.
- Any student or employee who tests positive for COVID-19 may return to school when they are cleared by the Point of Contact.
- In the event of a positive exposure, Yellville-Summit Public Schools must protect the privacy of individuals affected.



# SCHOOL CLOSURE

## NOTIFICATION OF CLOSURE

Yellville-Summit Public Schools may use the following communication channels to notify parents and guardians of school closures:

- School website
- Facebook
- Twitter
- YouTube
- Text message
- Email
- Remind
- Local media outlets

**[Click here](#)** to sign up to receive text messages and/or emails from Yellville-Summit Public Schools.

- All school closure decisions will be made in coordination with the ADH.
- The level of virus transmission within the school will be an important consideration when determining how to respond to a COVID-19 outbreak.
- According to the ADE, the level of school spread is determined by:
  - ⇒ Student and staff absentee levels and trends
  - ⇒ Student and staff active cases
  - ⇒ Evidence and severity of spread with the school community
- If temporary school closure occurs, teachers and students will transition to online blended instruction immediately until the school reopens.

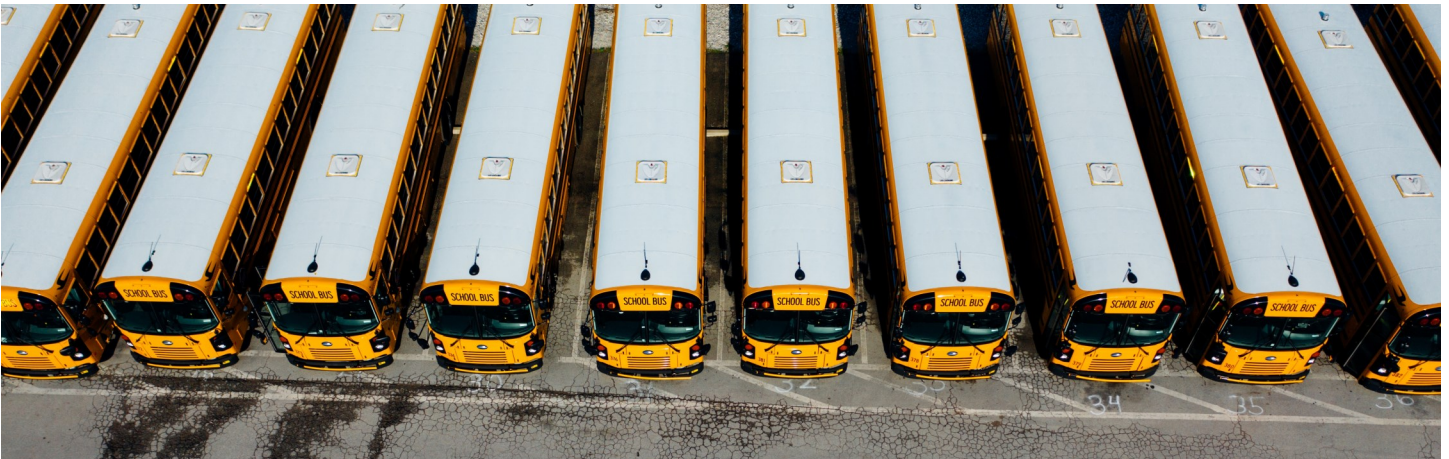




# VISITOR POLICIES

- Visitors must check in at the elementary, middle, or high school office.
- Visitors will be allowed at classroom parties and will they be allowed to eat lunch with students in the cafeteria, unless of a major COVID19 outbreak.





# TRANSPORTATION

- Bus transportation will be available to students, but parents and guardians are encouraged to drop off and pick up students, if possible.
- Buses may travel with some windows down to increase air circulation.
- Bus seats and high touch surfaces will be cleaned and sanitized between routes.
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## NOTE TO PARENTS

- Parents and guardians are expected to perform screenings at home **prior** to students getting on school transportation.



# CAFETERIA SERVICES

- Touchless water bottle filling stations will be available.
- Tables and high-touch surfaces will be disinfected between lunches.
- On-site and off-site students will be provided meals. Offsite students need to contact food service to schedule pickup times.

## [ NOTE TO PARENTS ]

Students are encouraged to bring their own refillable water bottle from home.



# ATHLETICS/ACTIVITIES

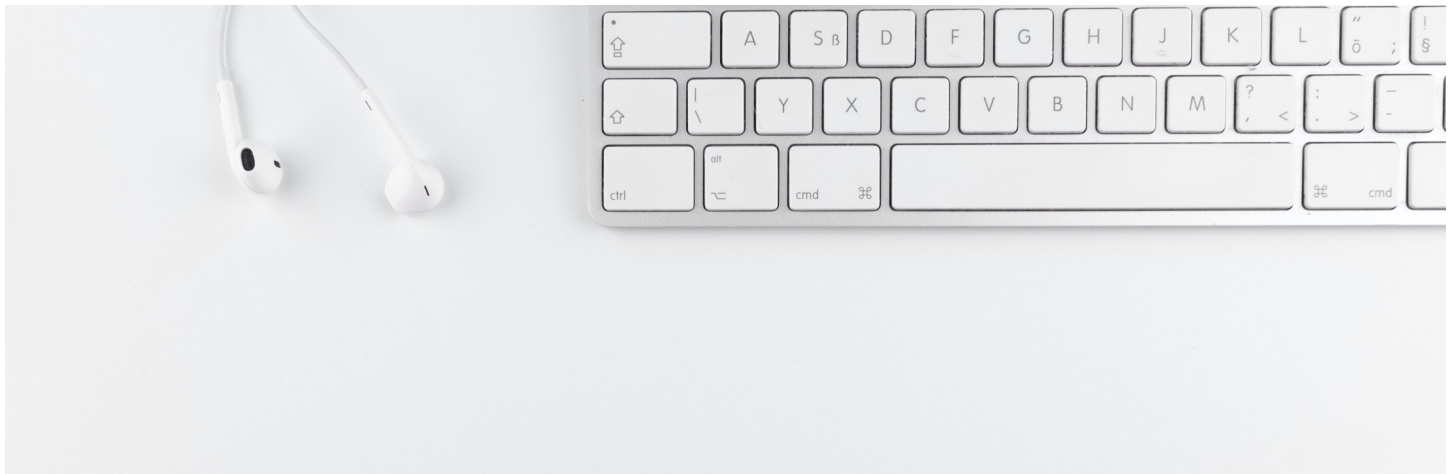
- Students will have the option to participate in athletics and other school activities.
- Yellville-Summit Public Schools will follow the guidance of state mandates, the Arkansas Department of Health (ADH), and the Arkansas Activities Association (AAA) when determining what safety measures to take for meetings, practices, performances, and games.
- Students enrolled in the Digital Learning Program are eligible for AAA-sanctioned activities should they meet the requirements.

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Please check the Arkansas Activities Association website for current information on AAA-sanctioned athletics and activities.

[www.ahsaa.org](http://www.ahsaa.org)





# RESOURCES

*Click on topics to access them.*

- [Frequently Asked Questions \(FAQ\)](#)
- [Parent/Guardian Feedback form](#)
- [Community Resources](#)
- [Google Classroom](#)
- [ADH COVID-19 Information](#)
- [DESE COVID-19 Information](#)
- [CDC COVID-19 Information](#)

## Arkansas Ready for School Resource Call Center

1-833-353-6050

Operating hours:

8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Monday through Friday

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