

McCall-Donnelly School District Fall 2020 Re-Opening Frequently Asked Questions

- Please explain “green, yellow and red” as it pertains to school districts.
 - Green (category 1), yellow (category 2) and red (category 3) describe the level of COVID19 transmission in the community and the impact on local resources. This is defined by the local health department. For McCall-Donnelly, we work with Central District Health. www.cdhd.idaho.gov.
- Will the Monday & Wednesday, Tuesday & Thursday calendar be in place for the entire first semester?
 - Not necessarily. The “every other day” schedule is tied to category 2 / Yellow. In the event that the community transitions to category 1 / green, all students will be able to return to school full-time.
- If I choose the online option and the community returns to green, can my student return to school?
 - For most students, yes! For students taking IDLA courses at the high school level, they will need to finish their IDLA courses for the semester.
- If my student plans to attend in-person instruction and not the online option, do I need to enroll?
 - No. All currently enrolled students are scheduled for in-person instruction. Families do not need to do anything to participate in this option.
- If my student participates in the on-line option, is he / she able to also participate in school sponsored athletics.
 - Yes.
- If my student plans to attend the on-line option, is he / she able to participate in school provided meals?
 - Yes. The district will have “grab n’ go” locations available for students to pick up meals to take home.
- If my student attends the in-person option on an every other day basis, are meals available for the days they are not in school?
 - Yes. The district will have “grab n’ go” locations available for students to pick up meals to take home.
- Is my student required to wear a mask / face covering in school?
 - Yes. We are following the directives of Central District Health and the guidance from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC). Today, there is a mask requirement in schools.
- If I choose the in-person option and later want to enroll in online, is that possible?
 - Yes, for all McCall-Donnelly courses that are provided online. For high school students who choose an IDLA course, they will be required to finish the course through IDLA.
- How does a quarantine for a student, class and / or school affect siblings that attend a different school in the same district?
 - This is handled on a case by case basis, in collaboration with Central District Health. It is possible that individual families may be asked to quarantine. The quarantine response is always targeted to the specific case(s) that is identified and the associated exposures.
- When will we find out what days our students are going to school?
 - As soon as online enrollment closes on August 24th, we will balance the classes for in-person. Our goal is to notify families of their schedule no later than Friday, August 28th.

- What will my student be doing when they are not physically in school?
 - Students participating in the in-person option who are not physically in school will be working on independent learning and extensions from the in-person instruction. Some students may require support from family during the independent learning time. This is especially true for younger children.
- Which McCall-Donnelly teachers are teaching the online courses?
 - The selection of teachers will be made after online registration closes on August 24th. The number of teachers teaching online will be based on the number of students choosing this option.
- If my student participates in the online school, will they be learning the same as students who participate in-person?
 - Yes! All McCall-Donnelly online courses are built from the same curriculum and standards as McCall-Donnelly in-person courses. *IDLA courses are the exception and will vary from McCall-Donnelly courses.