

September 22, 2020

Dawson-Bryant Families,

The Dawson-Bryant Board of Education met on September 21, 2020, to connect with the Lawrence County Health Department to obtain clarifications on COVID-19 positive cases and quarantine instructions. The Board and administrators are working hard to comply with the Health Department orders to reduce the spread among students, staff, parents, and community members.

**The Board has no intention of closing school at this time.** Rather, we are working hard to stay open by following all Health **Department** guidance and urging our staff, students and parents to do so.

If your student feels uncomfortable attending school in-person, or if you have reservations about your student attending in-person, you may contact your building principal about remote learning.

**You can help us keep school open** by following mask and social distancing requirements. Research has shown that our best defense against viruses is avoiding transmission. Physical or social distancing, wearing a face covering, and practicing good hygiene when layered together provide an increasingly stronger barrier of defense against the virus.

**Please remind children of the following important health habits:**

- **Wear a mask** when in public and at school. Masks are required on school buses and in school buildings.
- **Wash hands** often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- **Cover your mouth and nose** with a tissue when you cough or sneeze. Use an elbow if no tissue is available.
- **Do not share** personal items – pens, pencils, cell phones, electronic devices, laptops, water bottles, drinks, food, or unwashed utensils.
- **Avoid close contact** with people who are sick. If your child has had close contact with a person with COVID-19, keep your child at home.
- **Avoid touching** your eyes, nose, and mouth whenever possible.
- **Abide** by the district's physical distancing procedures.

As a reminder, if your child is experiencing signs/symptoms listed below, please keep your child at home and contact your health care provider. We appreciate your efforts to help us keep our

school buildings open!

Sincerely,

Steve Easterling,  
Superintendent

**COVID-19 Symptoms**  
Help prevent the spread of Covid-19

**You may have COVID-19 if you have:**

- Fever or chills
- A cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- Sore throat
- Loss of taste or smell
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea

**Symptoms may be mild or severe and may appear two to 14 days after exposure to the virus.**

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