

Zachary Community School District

INSTRUCTIONAL MODELS

Traditional Learning Model

The Zachary Community School District (ZCSD) plans to operate a full traditional in-person and on-campus learning model for the 2021-2022 school year.
Any change to a school's learning model will be communicated to staff, parents, and students.

Pre-K-12th

A. Full Traditional Learning Model

- Students will attend school daily for 100% face-to-face instruction with increased safety measures.
- Teachers will integrate technology and blended learning platforms to ensure students are prepared for possible closures.
- If needed, daily schedules will be adjusted to meet safety guidelines.

Alternate Educational Models

The Zachary Community School District is aware that circumstances may arise where an alternate educational setting is required, including students being quarantined or isolated, schools needing to decrease classroom capacity, and the need to operate virtually due to school closures.

Quarantined/Isolated

There is typically little time to prepare for isolation or quarantine when instructed to do so; however, the Zachary Community School District is committed to providing a continuous instructional plan during this time.

Pre-K-4th

B. If a student is Quarantined/Isolated.

- If an individual or small group of students are quarantined, students will be provided asynchronous assignments.

5th – 12th

B. If a student is Quarantined/Isolated.

- **Simultaneous Instruction:** If an individual or small group of 5th – 12th-grade students are quarantined, identified students will participate with their entire class by logging in through the school video conferencing tool and following their class schedules and school bell schedule. Classes are not recorded. Asynchronous assignments may be provided, as appropriate.
- While participating in this option, students are expected to start online classes on time and demonstrate appropriate behavior while online.

Decreased Capacity

The Zachary Community School District understands that we may need to take steps when a traditional school option is not feasible due to the need to decrease capacity in our classrooms. Our goal is to have students safely in school buildings as frequently as possible while ensuring the health and well-being of all. This model includes face-to-face instruction and asynchronous distance learning with increased safety measures, allowing for smaller class sizes and social distancing.

Pre-K – 12th

C. If a traditional school option is not feasible due to the need to decrease capacity in classrooms - Hybrid A/B Learning Model.

- **Group A (Last Names A-K)**
 - Students will attend school face-to-face on Mondays and Wednesdays.
 - Students will participate in distance learning online on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays.
- **Group B (Last Names L-Z)**
 - Students will attend school face-to-face on Tuesdays and Thursdays.
 - Students will participate in distance learning online on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.

Pre-K- 4th Grade students will be provided asynchronous assignments on their distance learning days. Students in 5th – 12th Grade will participate in "Simultaneous Instruction" by zooming into their classes on their distance learning days following their regular bell schedule.

All students will participate virtually on Fridays.

School Closure

The decision to adjust learning models or close schools will be made on a case-by-case basis. Decisions will ultimately be made by district/school leadership, with guidance and expertise from the Louisiana Department of Health. Factors that will be considered in closing a school or classroom will be community transmission, the number of students/faculty affected, and the spread risk.

Pre-K – 12th Grade

D. If a school or the district closes due to COVID, schools, will operate a Virtual Learning Model.

All students attend school online.

- Teachers will meet with students utilizing web conferencing tools.
- Students will be required to log in and submit graded assignments and assessments.
- Teachers will maintain attendance records in accordance with state law and district policy.
- Sessions will not be recorded.
- Students will be required to follow guidelines for live sessions.

Schools will follow their regular bell schedule and will provide class schedules for synchronous and asynchronous learning. Synchronous learning will include live interactive classes with students and teachers participating in real-time. Asynchronous learning may consist of independent practice digital platforms and technology integration. This time may also be used to provide additional support and reteaching.

Full Virtual Program

Zachary Community School District approved virtual students must follow all rules and regulations outlined in their school's handbook.

All students are required to wear school uniform attire when attending any school function virtually or in person.

**Pre-K
– 6th**

For the 2021-2022 school year, Full-time Virtual for Grades Pre-K-6th will not be offered by the Zachary Community School District.

**7th –
12th**

For the 2021-2022 school year, we will offer our 7th – 12th Grade Virtual Academy previously in place for students.

- The Zachary Community School District 7th -12th Grade Virtual Academy is the virtual learning platform for online instruction.
- The Virtual Academy utilizes a learning platform called Edgenuity for video-based, self-paced instruction, while a ZCSD teacher will monitor students' academic progress and activity.
- Edgenuity is an accredited, research-based learning platform that provides video-based instruction in an online platform aligned to our state standards. The videos will provide recorded instruction within the platform; however, they are not live.
- Students have the flexibility to sign in and do their daily requirements at any time of day; however, they will be required to show progress in each course weekly.
- The 7th – 12th-grade Virtual Academy is different from the virtual model previously in place for the 2020-2021 school year.
- **Students must commit for an entire semester.**