



Oswayo Valley School District

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Good Afternoon OV Family,

We were just on a virtual meeting with PDE, Potter & McKean County's Covid-19 numbers have risen to the "substantial" level. Substantial is defined as the number of incidents per 100,000 people or % of tested subjects. We actually rose above the cut off in both categories to move Potter County to substantial. That being said, there are 0 cases in the age range of 0-24 years old. To me this should not make an impact on school but from the Department of Health's views it does.

The Oswayo Valley School District will be virtually instructing students starting November 23rd through December 4th at this point. We have transitioned from a moderate county to a substantial county in case counts and we will be doing full remote instruction for students in Grades 3-12.

Instruction:

- Special education students who are identified as Learning Support will be instructed virtually. Students identified as Emotional Support or Life Skills will be full in-person instruction.
- Grades Pre-K -2nd grade will be full in-person instruction due to devices not being available for students.
- Staff members will be instructing from the school until we are forced to no longer be in the building. Staff members are still able to bring their children to the building and we will make adaptations for all staff's students to be able to complete their work.
- Students without internet access will be instructed virtually but will be in the computer lab at their assigned building. We will be using the data from our virtual test run days to make the decision on who has quality of internet service needed to participate virtually and in person. The building principals will be in contact with the families that will still be in-person instruction.
- We have modified the instructional schedule for the meal pick up day of December 1st. Meals will be picked up from 11:00-12:30 and no instruction will take place during this time.
- CTC students will be instructed virtually throughout the entire time frame.

Athletics:

- We will maintain athletics as long as we can but please know that this can change at any point.

- Transportation for athletics to and from the school are the parent or student's responsibility. We will still maintain our normal transportation to and from events as if we would during in-person instruction.
- Spectators will not be admitted to any sporting events and we will continue to live stream them.

Food Service:

- 5th Grade currently Virtually Instructed- Meal pick-up will be from 11-1 on Friday, November 20th for all 5th grade students who are currently being instructed virtually. We will provide lunches and breakfast for each day students are virtually instructed, and the meals can be picked up in the Elementary Office.
- In-person Instruction Grades 3, 4 & 6 – 12 - We will be sending meals home on Friday, November 20th for all students who are in person instructed this week to represent meals for November 23rd – 25th.
- Virtual Instruction Grades 3 – 12 – Tuesday, December 1st from 11-12:30 will be the meal pick-up for meals running from December 1st through December 4th. All meals will be picked up at the Middle/High School cafeteria loop similar to the summertime.

Transportation:

- Due to only transporting some of our students, there will be some time and route changes in the bus/van runs so give a +/- 15-minute buffer for the bus/van to arrive throughout our virtual instruction period.

Attendance:

Students that are utilizing the OV virtual platform and are attending their classes via Google Meets or Microsoft Teams need to be sure to report absences to the office. Parents should inform the office and provide an excuse just as if they were attending in-person instruction within the school buildings. Students who are not present for 75% of each class will be marked absent from that particular class. Five (5) of these absences will count as a half (.5) day unexcused absence. At the Middle/ High School, attendance will be recorded during every class period. The Elementary School will record attendance within their homeroom classes and in Math and ELA in the morning and afternoon. Science, Art, STEM, Music, and PE will also record attendance for each class.

Thank you for your understanding as we work through this process, as it is new to everyone.

Respectfully,



Jed Hamberger
Superintendent