

SMETHPORT AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

Home of the HUBBERS



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Dear student(s), parent(s), or guardian(s),

On Monday, August 10, 2020 our Smethport Area Board of School Directors voted to approve our Health and Safety Plan and Athletic Safety Plan for returning to school on August 26, 2020. The Board designated "Plan A" as the plan that we will open school under. Final determinations on sports will be determined when the PIAA meets August 21, 2020, and releases their final decision on interscholastic sports. For details, everyone should read the posted Health and Safety Plan at smethportschools.com.

We are excited to welcome students back to the classrooms on August 26, 2020! In addition to traditional in class learning, Plan A does provide other educational options to start the year. Here is a summary of choices that parents have under approved Plan A.

1. Students attend classes each day with SASD faculty and staff providing the instruction. Students will be required to wear face coverings, masks, or face shields and social distance to the extent possible in all situations. Face coverings and social distancing will help keep us safe. This #1 option is the best option for returning to school!
2. Students select the *at home distance learning* option with SASD faculty and staff providing the instruction via synchronous, asynchronous learning, and/or both methods. This is cyber school with SASD teachers and staff and is a great option for students who may wish to return to regular classroom instruction during the school year.
3. Students select one of three SASD approved cyber providers and begin asynchronous learning with teachers from the Virtual Learning Network (VLN), Waterfront Learning (provided through IU9), or Edmentum. Students selecting this option are generally, not planning to return to the regular SASD classroom during the year although anyone can return to SASD regular classes at any time.

Beyond these three choices, parents will be responsible to make their own plans for educating their child or children outside of the SASD.

SASD is requesting all parents complete a brief survey indicating their choice of education so that we can plan for class rosters, at home distance learning, and third party provider options. Surveys must be completed by 12 PM, Friday, August 14, 2020. Surveys can be found at smethportschools.com

Immediate questions on making your educational choice can be directed to the high school, (887-5545), and elementary school, (887-5012) offices. Information Sessions and Q & A Sessions on the plans will be held on the following dates and times:


Tuesday, August 18, 2020, Live Information Session HS Auditorium 6:30 PM

Thursday, August 20, 2020, Virtual Information Session via Google 6:30 PM

Please preregister by calling the SASD administrative office at 887-5543 or e-mailing sasd5543@hotmail.com Questions, Comments, and Concerns should be directed to sasd5543@hotmail.com or to the appropriate level administrator.

We are very excited to see everyone and hope to see everyone back in class or online with us at SASD! Together, we can do this! Go Hubs!

Support the Child, Develop the Student


David London, Superintendent