

District	OPENING MODEL	OVERVIEW	START DATE	
		A/B schedule of in-person and distance learning. "With the adjustment the first week of the school year, the first day of learning is Tuesday, Sept. 15. Current data suggests that elementary students will begin the year in the hybrid format. The data is inconclusive for middle and high school students."		
Anoka-Hennepin	Hybrid		Sept. 15	LINK
Bloomington	Distance Learning	At its Aug. 17 meeting, the School Board unanimously approved a resolution to begin the 2020-21 school year in Distance Learning 2.0. Distance Learning 2.0 is an instruction plan that allows for fully remote learning with improvements based on staff, parent and student feedback from last spring. This model includes direct teacher instruction and independent student work, with a combination of virtual meetings, interactive class sessions and pre-recorded videos.	Sept. 8	LINK
		BCCS will implement the limited campus hybrid model starting Tuesday, September 8 through at least Friday, October 9. More information about the plan:		
		In the limited campus hybrid model, most students in E-12 (early learning through grade 12) participate in full-time online learning off-campus Students in a setting-three special education program will be the only student group to have the option of on-campus learning All staff will report to the buildings for work and practice social distancing, wear masks and implement other health and safety protocols Campus will be open for students to meet individually or in small groups with staff to receive on-site support. More information about types of appointments and available services will be shared at a later date. A decision will be made on Friday, September 25 about what model to implement for Monday, October 12. Families can opt-in to the BC Online learning program through Friday, August 21.		
Brooklyn Center	Distance Learning		Sept. 8	LINK
		The District 191 Board of Education approved a plan on Aug. 13 for the start of the school year that will slowly build to all grade levels attending school in our Hybrid model. This deliberate and strategic approach will ensure safe and successful implementation of the Hybrid model by prioritizing relationships and allowing students and staff to practice new health and safety routines.  Details include:  - Delaying instruction by two days to provide more time for professional development.  - Starting most students in Distance Learning and moving more grades into Hybrid over the course of September.  - Have all students in Hybrid model by Sept. 28.		
Burnsville-Eagan-Savage	Distance Learning / Hybrid		Sept. 10	<u>LINK</u>



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		PHASE ONE: Heights From Home Students receive instruction through an improved version of distance learning.  PHASE TWO: Modified Hybrid Students will continue learning via Heights from Home with small groups of identified students learning on site on specified days based on student need and staffing considerations. Students with special needs, English learners, our youngest learners and seniors may be considered for on-site learning in this phase based on state guidance.		
Columbia Heights	Distance Learning		Sept. 8	<u>LINK</u>
		Will begin the year in a Modified Hybrid Model.  Grades K-5 will return to school In-person four days a week, with Wednesdays as a distance learning day for students and a PLC day for staff. Grades 6-8 will return to school in a Hybrid Model, with students in-person two days a week and distance learning three days a week. Wednesdays will be a PLC day for staff. Note: group assignments for in-person school days in this model will be communicated to parents the week of August 25. Grades 9-12 will return to learning in a full-time Distance Learning 2.0 model, with opportunities for in-person learning for students needing additional supports.		
Eastern Carver County	Hybrid / Distance Learning		Sept. 8	<u>LINK</u>
		Kindergarten and grade 1 students will return to school in person Monday through Friday in a socially-distanced environment.  Students in grades 2-12 will return to school in an A/B cohort model. In this design, 50 percent of students would attend school on campus on Monday and Tuesday (group A); the other 50 percent would attend school on campus on Wednesday and Thursday (group B). Friday is a virtual learning day for grades 2-12, which will include live, real-time online connections with teachers. As much as possible, students from the same family will be assigned to the same group.  For families that want a full-time online learning environment, Eden Prairie Schools offers EP Online, our K-12 online school. This option has been available for several years for select high school courses and it is now available districtwide. You can register now for EP Online.		
Eden Prairie	Hybrid		Sep. 2	<u>LINK</u>



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		Edina Public Schools is excited to bring students back into schools part time in a hybrid learning model, while also providing an improved online learning experience for students and families who prefer it:		
		A hybrid model of learning is a weekly blend of inschool learning following strict safety guidelines, and at-home learning via technology. In addition, families may choose to have their students participate in full time distance learning in the newly designed Edina Virtual Academy. Through "lessons learned" from last spring, summer focus groups with students, parents and staff, research and professional development, the crisis-mode distance learning model has been improved and promises a more holistic approach to online learning.		
Edina	Hybrid		Sept. 8	<u>LINK</u>
Elk River / ISD 728	In person/hybrid	On August 21, 2020, the district will start the 2020- 2021 as in person for elementary and hybrid for secondary.	Sept.8	LINK
		We will begin the 2020-2021 school year in a hybrid learning model for all grades.		
Farmington	Hybrid		Aug. 31	<u>LINK</u>
Fridley	Hybrid	According to MDE guidelines and other factors: Fridley Public Schools will begin the school year in hybrid learning for K-12 students and will provide distance learning as an option for families who prefer that learning model for their children.	Sept. 8	LINK
		On Tuesday, August 10th, 2020, the school board held a special meeting to approve a Resolution that directed Superintendent McDowell to implement the Hybrid Learning Model, as the base learning model for the upcoming school year.		
Hastings	Hybrid		Aug. 31	<u>LINK</u>



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	O' ENING MODEL	Specific highlights include:  While the first day of school will not change, all students will begin their school year with a staggered remote learning approach for 2-4 weeks — we are calling this our #HopkinsStrong Start. K-6 families will be in the #HopkinsStrong Start for a shorter amount of time. More information will be provided soon.  Hopkins will offer full-time Distance Learning as a choice for all families for the 2020-21 school year through our Royal Distance Learning Academy.  Hopkins will also offer a Hybrid model, which prioritizes maximum in-person learning for our youngest students. K-1 will learn in-person four days a week and grades 2-6 will learn in-person four days a week. Students will learn through Distance Learning on days when they are not scheduled in person.  If health guidelines allow and we have teachers and staffing to support, we will increase weekly in-person learning time for our K-6 students.  All elementary students will attend school in their home buildings and K-1 will use a Classroom/Companion Classroom model.  Junior high and high school learning offers several models with varying levels of in-person learning	START DATE	
Hopkins	Distance Learning	Start School with Connected Learning: Students will start school on September 8 with Connected Learning.  In Connected Learning, students will learn from home and have opportunities for in-person contact	Aug. 31	LINK
Intermediate 287	Distance Learning	with staff and on-site mental health support. It will focus on strong relationships, responsive mental health/social-emotional support, individualized support with tutors/mentors, and engaging and supporting families.  Hybrid Considered for Late September: We will consider moving to a hybrid model for K-5 students two days per week beginning September 28, and add additional students in future steps.		LINK



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		We plan to begin the school year in a hybrid model. In most of our programs, students will attend face-to-face two days per week and then be in a distance learning model for the remaining days. Students will be divided into two cohorts. There will be an A and a B cohort. In a typical five day week, the A cohort will be face-to-face on Monday and Tuesday and be in distance learning on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. The B cohort will be in distance learning on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday and be face-to-face on Thursday and Friday. This model is similar to several of our member districts and is referred to as an "AA/flex/BB hybrid."		
Intermediate District 917	Hybrid		Sept. 14	<u>LINK</u>
		ISD 199 has decided to use Hybrid Learning for all students to start the 2020-2021 school year.  Each building's student populations will be divided into two groups: Group A and Group B Group A will be in the building for In-person Learning on Mondays and Tuesdays while Group B participates in Distance Learning Group B will then be in the building for In-person Learning on Thursdays and Fridays while Group A participates in Distance Learning Both groups will participate in Distance Learning on the Flex Day, Wednesdays, to allow for additional deep cleaning of buildings between groups, time for staff planning and professional development, and a time for staff to check in with and provide additional		
Inver Grove Heights	Hybrid	support to students and families.  Will begin the 2020-21 school year in a hybrid model, which is a combination of in-person and	Sept. 14	LINK
Lakeville	Hybrid	distance learning.	Sept. 14	<u>LINK</u>
Mahtomedi	Hybrid	The Hybrid learning model for both elementary and secondary was adopted by the Mahtomedi School Board on August 6 as our base learning model for the 2020-21 school year.	Sept. 8	<u>LINK</u>
Minneapolis Public Schools	Distance Learning	Minneapolis Public Schools (MPS) will start the new school year through distance learning for pre-kindergarten to 12 grade.	Sept. 8	LINK



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Minnetonka	Hybrid	The District's plan honors the state's recommendations to have younger students in class as much as possible, and it recognizes that secondary level students are more equipped to be self-sufficient in e-learning, so there will not be as much of a time commitment from parents to assist with e-learning.  Students and staff in grades K-3 will be in their home schools every every day at the same times as in past years.  Students in grades 4-5 will be relocated to the high school building and will be assigned rooms throughout the school. Students in those grades from all elementary schools will be at the high school for four days per week. One day per week, Wednesday, will be virtual. Their starting time will be roughly 8:00-8:10 a.m.  Students in grades 6-8 will remain in their respective middle schools, with half of the students coming in two designated days each week and alternating with the other half of the student body for two opposite days. One day per week, Wednesday, will be virtual for all, with opportunities for individual students to access assistance and support. Middle school times will remain the same as in past years.  Students in grades 9-12 will be virtual for four days per week. One day per week, Wednesday, students may come to Minnetonka High School for MAST and for some in-building classes with elements that cannot be easily done at home (such as labs, MOMENTUM, Minnetonka Research, VANTAGE and more). There will also be other help sessions and opportunities to meet in person or virtually with counselors and social workers.  In all grades, the District will honor IEPs and 504s, and provide additional support for our students who receive special education services and for other students who need a higher level of support. Social distancing will be enforced at all times in our school buildings, and masks will be required for everyone, unless the student or staff member meets an exemption requirement.	High school students begin September 8, Grades K-8 begin September 10	LINK
Mounds View	Distance Learning	In response to the concerns expressed by staff, students and families, we will open the school year using the distance learning model, instead of the blended (hybrid) learning model as originally planned. We want to take this time at the start of the school year to demonstrate that our plans meet or exceed the safety requirements from the Minnesota Department of Health and Minnesota Department of Education for the reopening of schools. During this time, we will be working with staff, students and families to make sure that those who are planning to return in person can do so safely and confidently.	Sept. 8	LINK



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North St. Paul-Maplewood-Oakdale	Distance Learning	District 622 will start school on August 31, before Labor Day (due to construction). The district will begin with all grades in distance learning. Elementary will begin their hybrid model week 3 (Sept 14). Secondary will begin their hybrid model week 5 (September 28).	Aug. 31	LINK
		For the first three weeks of school while we prepare our staff to develop adaptive strategies in how to interact with students with high needs, 916 will be using an enhanced distance learning model which will focus on		
		Increased student engagement from what we accomplished in the spring to what we can do now to improve outcomes; and,		
Northeast Metro 916	Distance Learning	<ol> <li>Improvement in student mental and behavioral health through scheduled, intermittent in-person connection with mental health specialists as desired by parents and caregivers.</li> </ol>		LINK
		Hybrid learning. For grades K-5, Orono is offering families two options: (1) a socially distanced, hybrid model with all students attending school on campus all day, Monday-Friday or (2) full-time distance learning.		
Orono	Hybrid	For grades 6-12, Orono is offering students in grades 6-12 two options: (1) a hybrid learning model where students follow an A/B schedule. "A" students will attend school on campus Monday, Wednesday and alternating Fridays. "B" students will attend school on campus Tuesday, Thursday and alternating Fridays. Off-campus days will be structured distance learning. The second option for grades 6-12 is full-time distance learning.	Sept. 8	LINK



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		The first day of school for all students will be Monday, Sept. 14		
		For the first two weeks of the school year (Sept 14-25), all students will be taught in the distance learning model (100% remote learning)		
		On Monday, Sept. 28, all students (except those who are already enrolled in the Distance Learning Academy) will transition to the hybrid model, which means: Group A students will attend school in person on Monday and Wednesday, and do remote learning on Tuesday. Thursday and Friday.		
		Group B students will attend school in person on Tuesday and Thursday, and do remote learning on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.		
		If you do not know your child's hybrid group assignment, please check your ParentVUE account or contact your child's school.		
		This allows the district to start school while providing more time to:		
		- Properly staff the Distance Learning Academy and all physical schools, including hiring new employees in areas where we are short-staffed		
		- Provide additional staff training in effective instruction in the hybrid model		
Osseo Public Schools	Distance Learning	- Continue to monitor virus case rates in our local communities	Sept. 14	LINK
Prior Lake-Savage	Hybrid	PLSAS will start the school year in the Hybrid Learning model for all K-12 students.	Sept. 10	LINK
		The hybrid model includes both synchronous (live) and asynchronous (recorded/independent) distance instruction for all students, as well as in-school instruction 1-4 days per week based on grade level:		
Richfield	Hybrid	Preschool in school 2-3 half days each week; K-2 in school four days each week; grades 3-5 in school two days each week; and grades 6-12 in school one day each week	Sept. 8	LINK
Robbinsdale	Distance Learning	Robbinsdale Area Schools will begin the school year in "Distance Learning PLUS." (Distance learning with student support centers).	<del> </del>	LINK



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		Most elementary students (Pre K - grade 5) and Lincoln K-8 students will receive face-to-face instruction two days per week and distance learning three days per week.		
		This approach will accommodate half of the students on campus at a time to maximize social distancing. We will dismiss elementary schools approximately one hour early to allow time for teachers to connect with students who are not in person. Dismissals may be staggered based on bus routing.		
		Wherever possible, PreK - grade 5 students will remain with the same students throughout the school day to increase safety of our students and staff.		
		Most secondary students (grades 6 - 12) will participate in distance learning five days per week. There will be opportunities for secondary students to receive in-person support by appointment, in areas such as academics, technology, and mental health.		
Rochester	Hybrid / Distance Learning		Sept. 2	<u>LINK</u>
		At this time Rockford Area Schools will be opening in a Blended (Hybrid) Learning Model. This model allows students in PreK-4 to attend In-Person daily while our grade 5-12 students participate in a Blended (Hybrid) Learning Model.		
		These students will be split into an A and B Cohort where two days of the week students will attend In-Person and the other 3 days will be Home-Based Distance Learning.		
		The Administrative team at Rockford Area Schools have planned for all Learning Models under the guidance of the State of Minnesota's Safe Learning Plan. Plans are fluid and the school will be nimble to changes in the future.		
Rockford	Hybrid		Sept. 8	<u>LINK</u>
		The district will begin the school year in the hybrid learning model based on implementation of the Minnesota Safe Learning Plan and current COVID-19 data for Dakota County. In the hybrid model, all students (preK-12) will be in school two days each week, in two cohorts of approximately half the class, and distance learning the other days of the week. Families do not need to sign up for the hybrid		
Rosemount-Apple Valley-Eagan	Hybrid	learning base model.	Sept. 14	<u>LINK</u>



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Roseville Area Schools	Distance Learning	On August 18, the school board voted to approve a plan to begin the school year in distance learning for all grades. This is a change to plans announced at the end of July and reflects concerns for the health and safety of our students, families and staff. Please know, we want nothing more than to bring our students safely back to school in-person. We are committed to doing so when it is safe and will continue to receive input from stakeholders including families, staff and students, as well as consulting with the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH), the Minnesota Department of Education and county and local health officials.	Sept. 8	LINK
		Saint Paul will start the 2020 school year in full distance learning for all students.		
		Instruction for Distance Learning 2.0 will have daily same-time (synchronous) lessons for all students. Using technology tools we have in place, there will also be daily student-to-student interaction. SPPS has two dates when it will consider transitioning to a hybrid learning schedule:		
Saint Paul Public Schools	Distance Learning	Sept. 25 - Determine whether to start a hybrid schedule on Oct. 19 Oct. 14 - Determine whether to start a hybrid schedule on Nov. 16	Sept. 8	<u>LINK</u>
		Board business meeting, the back-to-school learning model plans were made official and finalized. The school board reviewed the:  Most recently available data from the Minnesota Department of Health, Advice from the district Pandemic Response Advisory Team, Overall district readiness AND Opening options for the 2020-21 school year  Based upon district review, with no alternative motions presented, the school board decided that students enrolled in the Shakopee-IHD program will start the 20-21 school year in the Hybrid, or "H"		
		portion of the model.  Our elementary students, grades K-5, will start school on Thursday, September 10th. This includes both Hybrid and Shakopee Online students.  September 8th and 9th will be used for Connect and Assess activities in grades K-5.		
		Our secondary students, grades 6-12, will start on Tuesday, September 8th.  Secondary school days will also be shortened by 30 minutes. East and West middle schools will now start at 7:45am and end at 1:55pm. The high school will start at 8:20am and end at 2:30pm. Tokata Learning Center hours are unchanged. This will allow for a 'deep cleaning' and disinfecting of school buses between each transportation tier.		
Shakopee	Hybrid		Sept. 8	<u>LINK</u>



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South Ot Boul		School will begin hybrid model with a four-week soft opening plan. Our Safe Return to School Plan includes intentional and deliberate steps to prepare students, families and educators for a safe return to school.  During the first two weeks of the school year all students will be in the distance learning model and then we will slowly phase elementary, secondary/CLC, early learning and Adult Basic		LINIZ
South St. Paul	Distance Learning / Hybrid	Education (ABE) students into the hybrid model.  In the hybrid learning scenario, students will learn	Sept. 8	LINK
South Washington County	Hybrid	through a combination of distance learning at home and in-person learning at school. Hybrid learning is the most complicated scenario due to scheduling, transportation and logistics.  Students will learn through a combination of distance learning at home and in-person learning at school School buildings will be limited to 50% capacity Bus transportation will be limited to 50% capacity Social distancing of six feet at all times Students and staff will wear masks per the state's guideline Sufficient staffing levels to meet requirements of the model	Sept. 8	<u>LINK</u>
Southwest Metro Intermediate 288	Hybrid		Sept. 8	LINK
		The Spring Lake Park School Board reviewed the 2020-2021 School Year Plan and approved the recommendation that we begin the 2020-2021 school year in a Modified Campus Schedule (Hybrid) model and provide full-time distance learning for those who choose it. This plan is in alignment with Minnesota's Safe Learning Plan for the 2020-21 School Year.  Part of this plan includes pushing back the first day of school to Thursday, September 10, 2020. Teaching staff return on August 31 and this change provides two additional days of professional learning and planning necessary to support their work with students. Days of instruction scheduled for September 8 and 9, 2020 will be replaced on		
Spring Lake Park Schools	Hybrid	December 4, 2020 and February 11, 2021.	Sept. 10	<u>LINK</u>



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St. Anthony-New Brighton	Hybrid	We are currently in the third level (20-29 cases per 10,000) which is hybrid learning for all students. This is based on current COVID-19 cases within the counties that SANB resides within. We are still giving families the option for full-time distance learning if they choose/need for health and medical reasons.  Hybrid learning will consist of a staggered in-person and distance learning model. This means there will be days where K-12 students will be meeting in-person at each building, and other days where distance learning will take place.  A hybrid model could range from students attending two days a week, one day a week, or even some students attending school in-person, while others do not. Hybrid learning could range from a modified hybrid model (less students in a building) to a more robust hybrid model with up to 25-50% of students in a building. Families will be receiving a separate email within the next few days that will include a Google Form survey regarding hybrid model options and preferences.  The district will begin the 20-21 school year in a hybrid learning model. The plan follows the Governor's Stay Safe Minnesota matrix based on local county health data.  Details of the plan by level: Pre-School: Ages 3 & 4: Learn in school two days a week, attending either on Monday/Wednesday or Tuesday/Thursday.	SEPt. 8	LINK
		Elementary Grades K-2: Learn in school four days a week, Monday-Thursday, while following social distancing and 50% capacity guidelines, and distance learning on Fridays. Grades 3-5: Learn in school two days a week, either on Monday/Wednesday or Tuesday/Thursday and three days in distance learning.		
		Secondary Grades 6-12: Learn in school two days a week, either on Monday/Wednesday or Tuesday/Thursday and three days in distance learning.		
St. Cloud	Hybrid	Some students who receive special education or early multilingual learners, along with homeless and migrant students, may attend school Monday-Thursday and distance learn on Fridays.	Sept. 9	<u>LINK</u>



### 2020-21 School District Opening Learning Models

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St. Louis Park	Distance Learning	All students will begin the school year in a distance learning format; E-2 students will start in a hybrid model on September 28; Students in grades 3-12 will start in a hybrid model on October 5; All elementary students will attend school using a Classroom/Homeroom Teacher model; and Offer full-time distance learning as a choice for families.	Sept. 8	LINK
Stillwater	Hybrid	The district will begin the school year in a Hybrid Learning model, with some students reporting on A days and others reporting on B days.	Aug. 31	LINK
Wayzata	Hybrid	Wayzata will begin the year with hybrid learning. We are prepared to flex among and within several learning scenarios. It's all laid out in Wayzata Learns, our flexible plan for the 2020-21 school year.	Sept. 14	LINK
West St. Paul-Mendota Heights-Eagan	Distance	The School District 197 School Board approved the administrative recommendation that the 2020-2021 school year start in a "Phased-in Hybrid Model." This model starts with Early Learning and kindergarten students in a hybrid model on September 21 and adds additional grades as case data, frequency of isolations and quarantine, and system capacity indicate they can be supported. Please note that any reference to hybrid or in-person learning is for those students who selected Option #1. Students who selected Option #2 will remain in full-time distance learning through January 22, 2021.	Sept. 14	LINK
Westonka	In person/Hybrid	On Aug. 10, the Westonka School Board approved the district's Safe Learning Plan for the 2020-21 school year that recommends an in-person learning model for grades E-4 and a hybrid learning model for grades 5-12 to start the year.	Sept. 8	LINK
White Bear Lake	Hybrid	At the Aug. 24 School Board Meeting, the Board supported a recommendation to delay the start of the school year for all students K-12+ to Sept. 14. Students will begin in their chosen learning model, either hybrid or distance learning, that week. http://ow.ly/qlqH50B89cn	Sept. 14	LINK

#### DEFINITIONS for this chart:

IN-PERSON: In-person learning for all students. In this planning scenario, schools should create as much space between students and teachers as is feasible during the day, but will not be held strictly to enforcing six feet of social distancing during primary instructional time in the classroom.

HYBRID: Hybrid learning with strict social distancing and capacity limits. In this planning scenario, schools must limit the overall number of people in school facilities and on transportation vehicles to 50% maximum occupancy. Sufficient social distancing with at least six feet between people must occur at all times.

DISTANCE LEARNING: Distance learning only. Students receive instruction off-school sites, but schools may also be open to provide emergency child care or other functions. The format of distance learning will be modified with improvements from what was learned spring 2020.