Bearcats,

On August 13, 2020 TEA posted the *Education Rights and Responsibilities During COVID* documents for parents. The two page documents are required to be shared with parents. They are available in English and in Spanish. Locate the documents here:

English: [https://tea.texas.gov/sites/default/files/covid/education_rights_responsibilities_covid.pdf](https://tea.texas.gov/sites/default/files/covid/education_rights_responsibilities_covid.pdf)


Moody ISD will begin school as originally planned on August 18, 2020. We will follow our board approved 2020-2021 Instructional Calendar (on our website). Moody ISD will offer our parents 2 options: **Traditional On-Campus Instruction** or **At-Home Remote Instruction**. We have given each parent and guardian in our district the flexibility to choose the best instructional model for their child. Parents will be able to indicate this choice when you register your student during our upcoming registration period. All student activities, practices and events will be allowed to continue as originally scheduled. We will follow all TEA and UIL safety guidelines and will trust our local health department to give us valuable data and recommendations. Please visit your child’s Campus website or call for more information.

Thank you and GO Bearcats,

Gary Martel
Superintendent
Moody ISD

- **Moody ISD 20-21 Instructional Calendar** is available at this link
  - This calendar with an August 18 start date for students was unanimously adopted at the July 20, 2020 Board meeting.
  - **2020-2021 Online Registration** is complete. We have a few

- **2020-2021 Moody ISD Strong Start Reopening Plan** (Each campus will post more specific information concerning their grade level information)

In accordance with guidance from state officials, Moody ISD has developed an instructional plan to support student learning for the 2020-2021 school year. Understanding the evolving circumstances surrounding the spread of COVID-19 in Texas, Moody ISD supports parents and guardians as they make critical decisions regarding the education of their children. In order to support the parents of our children, the district will provide a choice of instructional arrangements for students: Traditional On-Campus Instruction with Health and Safety Precautions in Place or At-Home Remote Instruction. **As of 9/11/2020 The Moody ISD Asynchronous Plan has been approved by TEA.**
ATTENDANCE AND ENROLLMENT:

According to the Texas Education Code (TEC), §25.092, students must attend 90% of the days a course is offered (with some exceptions) in order to be awarded credit for the course and/or to be promoted to the next grade. This requirement remains in force during the 2020-21 school year. This year, student attendance may be earned face-to-face instruction (subject to school closures) or through the delivery of online, virtual instruction. Transitions between in-person and online instruction are limited to the end of a grading period. **Note:** Based on symptoms, positive tests and close contact in-person students may move from in-person learning to the remote Moody ISD Asynchronous plan throughout the year.

**Traditional On-Campus Instruction**

- Full School Day, Monday-Friday.
- Students receive in-person direct classroom instruction.
- Assignments and resources are managed through online instructional portals (Google Classroom).
- Traditional classroom learning environment.
- Assignments/assessments administered during the class/period.
- Participation in state assessment as required by the state.
- District grading policies/procedures will be followed.
- Students may participate in extracurricular/UIL activities.
- Students will comply with all health/safety guidelines established by the state and district.
- Students may receive temporary remote instruction in the event of illness or the onset of symptoms.

**At-Home Remote Instruction**

- Equivalent of Full School Day, Monday-Friday.
- Students receive remote instruction in their homes.
- Instruction/assignments/assessments will be consistent with traditional classroom instruction.
- Students are expected to engage in instructional assignments/activities daily.
- Attendance will be recorded in accordance with daily instructional engagement.
- Assignments and resources are managed through online instructional portals (Google Classroom).
- Assignments may be online or instructional workbooks/packets.
- Students may be required to test or demonstrate skills on campus at scheduled times.
- District grading policies/procedures will be followed.
- Teachers will monitor and interact with students virtually to promote learning.
- Participation in state assessment as required by the state.

Students who choose to participate in remote learning will not be allowed to transition to On-Campus Instruction until the end of the current grading period. Moody ISD is committed to providing high-quality, rigorous instruction to students through both instructional models. Expectations regarding the course work, activities, assignments and assessments are comparable whether a student receives instruction at home or in the classroom. Students who receive remote instruction may be required to have internet access and the ability to be present on campus for certain assessments or academic supports.

**Moody ISD Staff & Student Covid -19 Health Guidelines:**

This guidance document is being provided based on the public health situation as we understand it today and takes effect immediately to help support our District and parents in planning for the 2020-2021 school year. Given the rapidly changing situation, this document will likely be updated frequently.

The full guidance document from TEA may be accessed at this web address:

The Waco-McLennan County Health District guidance for Back to School can be accessed at this web address:

The prevention and mitigation practices outlined in this document are designed to significantly reduce the likelihood that a coronavirus outbreak occurs on campuses in Moody ISD. Any questions regarding these Health Guidelines may be addressed to Belinda Brand, Director of Student Services by phone at 254.853.2172 x 2010 or by email at belinda_brand@moodyisd.org.
**PREVENTION:**

- Teachers and staff will self-screen for COVID-19 symptoms before coming on campus each day. **ALL** Moody ISD Staff are required to complete daily health questions upon logging in to the Districts Staff attendance software.
- For the purposes of this document, masks include non-medical grade disposable face masks, cloth face coverings (over the nose and mouth), or full-face shields to protect eyes, nose, and mouth. Face shields may be superior to cloth face coverings in many circumstances, given improved ability to see mouth movements and improved air circulation.
  - Important: Schools are required to comply with the governor’s executive order regarding the wearing of masks.
  - Our elementary school has pediatric face shields that all students will be required to wear while indoors.
- Parents must ensure that they do not send a child to campus having any COVID-19 symptoms or after having a lab-confirmed positive COVID-19 test, or who has possibly been exposed to COVID-19.
- Regular temperature checks are not required, nor are they prohibited.
- Individuals who are lab-confirmed positive for COVID-19 OR who have symptoms of COVID-19 may not return to campus until all three of the following criteria are met:
  - At least 1 days (24 hours) have passed since any fever has resolved without medications,
  - The individual has improved symptoms, and
  - At least 10 days have passed since symptoms first appeared.

Any individual with COVID-19 symptoms without a positive test who wishes to return to work or school prior to completion of the required 10 days must have a doctor’s note clearing the individual for return based on an alternative diagnosis OR receive a negative COVID-19 test.

- Students who report any illness will be immediately isolated, checked for fever and screened for COVID-19 symptoms. Parents/guardians will be notified and given information and guidance. In order to reduce the chance of transmission of the virus, parents will be asked to pick up their student within an hour of notification. The parent should call the office and the student will be escorted to their vehicle.

- School visitors will be limited to those with official school business and those visitors must be screened upon arrival.

**RESPONSE:**

The school and District is required to notify the Waco/McLennan County Public Health District of any lab-confirmed cases of COVID-19 in accordance with applicable federal, state and local laws including confidentiality requirements of the ADA and FERPA. Cleaning and disinfection protocols and procedures will be followed. School notification of the presence of a person or persons with COVID-19 will be made in a timely manner and in accordance with the Moody ISD policies and procedures.

**MITIGATION:**

- Students and staff will be encouraged to engage in frequent hand-washing and use of hand sanitizer.
- Fans, windows and doors (where possible) will be used to increase fresh air circulation throughout the day in our buildings.
- More frequent cleaning and disinfection procedures will be followed using approved cleaning products.
- Students will be expected to comply with the masking and distancing procedures specific to his or her campus.
- Our schools will comply with the governor’s executive orders regarding the wearing of masks and/or face shields by all staff and students over the age of 10.
- Student spacing will be increased as much as possible and according to health guidelines from TEA, CDC and/or the governor’s office.
- Students riding a District bus must wear a mask at all times.
- Along with following CDC recommended cleaning practices Moody ISD will utilize GermBlast for scheduled cleanings and also use GermBlast electrostatic sprayers throughout the district's facilities. This technology provides an electrical charge to solutions allowing them to wrap conductive surfaces with an effective and even coverage. Double-charged particles envelope all conductive surfaces – shadowed, vertical and underneath. Oxivir Five 16 is used and is effective against coronavirus.
## Current Moody ISD Personal Protective Equipment Received from the State

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**Technology Information:**
- We are blessed to have a Strong Technology program in place. Moody ISD is working daily with Technology providers and using all available resources to secure additional Instructional Technology and Training for our district students and staff. [Technology website and contacts](#)

**Transportation / Maintenance:**
- Moody ISD will follow local health guidelines and TEA recommendations for District transportation.
  - Transportation will run daily.
  - Students will be required to wear a face-covering during Moody ISD transportation times, this will include all school travel events. Personal Protective Equipment on the bus is very important due to lack of social distancing opportunities.
  - Moody ISD will have bus seating charts in effect.
  - Moody ISD will require students and staff to use hand sanitizer upon boarding the bus.
  - When possible, Moody ISD will open windows to allow outside air to circulate in the bus.
  - Moody ISD encourages families to drop students off, carpool, or walk with their student to school to reduce possible virus exposure on buses.
  - Buses will be thoroughly cleaned after each bus trip, focusing on high-touch surfaces such as bus seats, steering wheels, knobs, and door handles.
  - [Texas Association for Pupil Transportation website](#)

**Contacts:** Contact your student’s campus office first.
Stephen Munz-Transportation Supervisor 254-227-0525
Ernie Fisher- Operations Director 254-227-0643

**20-21 DISTRICT BUS ROUTES, Driver and Teacher assigned**

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### Child Nutrition / School Breakfast / Lunch:

**BREAKFAST:**
- **Pre-K-4th grade** - will eat breakfast in the classroom.
- **5th-8th grade** - will go to the cafeteria and grab breakfast to go. Students will eat breakfast in designated areas where food consumption is allowed. Students will practice social distancing while going through the line.
- **HS students** - will go to the cafeteria and grab breakfast to go. Students will eat breakfast in their 1st period class. Students will practice social distancing while going through the line.

**LUNCH:**
Recently, U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Sonny Perdue announced the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) will extend several flexibilities through as late as December 31, 2020. The flexibilities allow summer meal program operators to continue serving free meals to all children into the fall months. This unprecedented move will help ensure – no matter what the situation is on-the-ground – children have access to nutritious food as the country recovers from the COVID-19 pandemic.

**On Monday, September 21, 2020, Moody ISD will start feeding breakfast and lunch to all students free of charge through December 31, 2020. Parents will be responsible for paying for lunch charges incurred to this point.**

Students grades (3-12) will be able to purchase extra items such as second meals and a la carte items. Snack bar items for sale include: water, cookies, chips and ice cream. Students may not charge snack bar or extra food items; however, parents may put money in their student’s cafeteria account for extra purchases. For our virtual learners, and those 0-18 not enrolled in the district, breakfast/lunches may be picked up at the backdoor of the Elementary/MS Cafeteria from 11:30 to 12:30 p.m. In order to plan for the number of meals we will need for this service, please email shanda_houghton@moodyisd.org to add your student(s) name to the list. If you have any questions please contact Sherri Vann at 254-853-2172 ext. 4050.

- **Pre-K- 2nd grade** - will eat lunch in the classroom.
- **3rd-12th Students** - will use scan cards to alleviate touching the key pad at the point of service.
- **3rd and 4th grades** - will eat in the cafeteria at designated times. Students will practice social distancing while going through the lunch line and during the meal time.
- **5th- 8th grade** - will eat in the cafeteria at designated times. There will be designated eating areas set up outside for students wishing to grab a meal to go. Students will practice social distancing while going through the lunch line and during the meal time.
- **HS students** - will have the option to eat in the commons, or eat at designated outside eating areas. Students will practice social distancing while going through the lunch line and during the meal time.
● **Menus** will be posted on the website under the Departments tab under Child Nutrition.

● **Parents can prepay** for snack bar items and extra meals, check low balances, set up recurring payments at www.MySchoolBucks.com

● All workers and students will follow all CDC health guidelines.

We encourage all students to eat with us in the cafeteria. However, if your student chooses to bring a meal from home, please be sure the food brought does not require the use of a microwave. **Due to safety concerns, Microwaves will not be available for student use until further notice.**

*In accordance with Federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, the USDA, its Agencies, offices, and employees, and institutions participating in or administering USDA programs are prohibited from discriminating based on race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity in any program or activity conducted or funded by USDA. Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication for program information (e.g. Braille, large print, audiotape, American Sign Language, etc.), should contact the Agency (State or local) where they applied for benefits. Individuals who are deaf, hard of hearing or have speech disabilities may contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339. Additionally, program information may be made available in languages other than English. To file a program complaint of discrimination, complete the USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form, (AD-3027) found online at: http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint_filing_cust.html, and at any USDA office, or write a letter addressed to USDA and provide in the letter all of the information requested in the form. To request a copy of the complaint form, call (866) 632-9992. Submit your completed form or letter to USDA by: (1) mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights 1400 Independence Avenue, SW Washington, D.C. 20250-9410; (2) fax: (202) 690-7442; or (3) email: program.intake@usda.gov. This institution is an equal opportunity provider.*

**District Athletics / Campus Clubs and Organizations**

○ **Starting September 11, 2020 / Live Streaming Moody Varsity Events:** [https://www.moodyisd.org/](https://www.moodyisd.org/) scroll down to Live stream link, click on link and then click arrow to start. The link will go live 30 minutes before game time. A 20-30 second delay from actual game footage will probably occur.

○ In-person UIL events/practice/camps are **currently allowed** in the district. The UIL and District are working together to keep our students/athletes safe. Participation in Moody ISD activities is a privilege and is not guaranteed for any student. **Moody ISD’s local expectation is that any student involved in a UIL activity or district sponsored activity will be required to attend the district’s face to face instructional option.** You may contact the Campus Principal and District Athletic Director with specific questions.

○ **Moody ISD TICKET INFORMATION is available at the following link:** [https://docs.google.com/document/d/162xWCQT0YisNsK1vB0rUprSKdULHiXL8r5P16bfb694/edit](https://docs.google.com/document/d/162xWCQT0YisNsK1vB0rUprSKdULHiXL8r5P16bfb694/edit)

○ **UIL Site:** [https://www.uiltexas.org/policy/covid-19/2020-2021-uiltexas-gacovid-19-risk-mitigation-guidelines](https://www.uiltexas.org/policy/covid-19/2020-2021-uiltexas-gacovid-19-risk-mitigation-guidelines) This page is updated by the UIL staff as appropriate. You may contact the District Athletic Director (Marty Garcia) for specific questions in our District.

**Moody ISD ATHLETICS Local Policy 2020-2021**

● Student athletes must attend school on campus for in-person learning to be eligible to participate in the 2020-2021 MISD athletic or extra-curricular calendar. **Note:** In -person learners are still eligible to participate if they are sent home due to quarantine etc. Coaches discretion on playing time etc.

● Student athletes must be academically eligible and have the ability to participate in all athletic periods, extracurricular activities or practices during the school day.

● If a Moody ISD student/athlete chooses to participate in remote instruction (synchronous/asynchronous) the student will not be allowed to participate in any athletic sport or extra-curricular activities while staying at home.

● If the student athlete produces documentation stating that the student “must” stay home for remote instruction (synchronous/asynchronous) then the Athletic department will review and determine eligibility and participation in athletics or extracurricular activities.
● Student athletes returning to on-campus instruction at the beginning of the 2nd, 3rd or 4th Nine Weeks will be eligible to participate in any athletic sport or extra-curricular activity if they have been on campus full time before the sport or extracurricular activity begins.
● Students must be enrolled in remote learning options through the school the student will represent. Schools may develop local policies with additional requirements for participation. You can find more information related to the full-time student rule in the UIL Constitution and Contest Rules.
● Moody ISD has developed grading policies for remote learning options that outline the criteria for determining if a student is passing all courses at the end of grading and evaluation periods. Days when school is not in session will be treated as school holidays for purposes of determining academic eligibility for both remote and in-person learning. All students are academically eligible when school is not in session for a full calendar week or more. More information related to no pass-no play can be found in the TEA-UIL Side by Side Manual.

20-21 MISD Coaching Personnel Additions:
● Lonnie Judd (Head Football; Assistant Athletic Director)
● Sam Jackson (Varsity Football; JH Coordinator)
● Pat Gresham (Varsity Football; JH Athletics)
● Tabitha Hamrick (JH Athletics)

Moody ISD (Afterschool Centers for Education) or ACE, 2020-2021 Protocol (updated 8.14.20)
● ACE is a locally and federally funded program. This program is intended to serve students who are in need of assistance in order to improve academic performance, attendance, behavior, promotion and graduation rates. Specifically, this program is designed to serve students in most need of academic support, adult advocacy, and enrichment opportunities. Students who are identified as in need of assistance are determined through a careful examination by the Site Coordinator, campus staff and administration. The students who are determined to have the most pressing of needs will be served first.
  ○ ACE will hold breakfast clubs in the following areas: PreK in the nap room, Kinder-2nd grade in FEMA building, 3rd and 4th grade in the hallway by classrooms, 5th and 6th in the cafeteria. All students in PreK - 6th grade will be part of Breakfast Club if they arrive before the bell rings in the morning Monday thru Friday.
  ○ ACE will start after school programming on September 8th. PreK and Kinder are open enrollment and any student can attend. 1st-6th grade is by invitation only for tutorials, the Site Coordinator, campus staff and administration will determine who may attend these tutorials. Some exceptions may be applied for siblings. ACE afternoon will be Monday - Thursday from the end of school until 5:30 pm.
  ○ ACE will hold snack time for all students in the cafeteria. The students will be released when the bell rings and come to the cafeteria. PreK and Kinder students will be picked up. This gives teachers time to sanitize the classroom for tutorials.
  ○ ACE will currently not provide transportation.
  ○ ACE will follow all CDC and school guidelines for Public Health.