



**MALONE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Reopening FAQ**

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**My children have different last names. I would like them to attend school on the same days. Can this happen?**

Yes. Students will be placed into two Groups based on their last names. Group 1 will be last names beginning with A-LA. Group 2 will be last names beginning with Le-Z. We plan on keeping families together in the same cohort group (page 12 of the Malone CSD Reopening Plan). Building principals are working on assigning those families to a specific group. We hope to have this communicated to parents by August 21.

**I would like for my child to receive 100% remote instruction from home. How do I make this happen?**

A form will be sent out to parents on August 10. Please complete this form to let the district know your intentions.

If you choose to have your student(s) start the year with full remote learning, you may change them to the in-person hybrid model on the dates listed below. We ask that you provide the school at least a two-week notice prior to returning to the in-person model. Parents of students in Middle and High School should contact their child's counselor, Elementary parents should contact their principal. Your principal and/or counselor will then confirm with you any details you need to know prior to reentry.

Reentry dates from full remote learning to the in-person hybrid model.

- October 30
- January 29
- April 16

**When will sports start this fall?**

As of now, all athletics are delayed until September 21 across New York State. We're waiting to hear more guidance from Governor Cuomo and from the New York State Public High School Athletic Association. Once we receive word on a start date we will communicate that out to all students, parents, coaches, and the community.

**Our family will need childcare on the days my children are not in school. What can I do?**

We are working with local providers to assist families. Specifically, we are working with the Malone YMCA to expand their Y's time childcare program. More information will be forthcoming from the Malone YMCA soon.

**I don't have a laptop or Chromebook at home for my children. Will the district be providing one for each student?**

We are working on a plan for distributing a Chromebook to students. This will most likely be done during the week of September 8. We will be able to provide a Chromebook to each student in grades PK-12.

**My child is enrolled in classes with a Regents exam. Will there be regents exams this school year?**

As of now, we have a schedule for regents exams for January and June of 2021. The New York State Board of Regents would need to take action to waive regents exam requirements again this school year. We believe that the Board of Regents will take this same action during the 20-21 school year. There's no guarantee this will happen however, once we hear a decision on this we will post the news on our website and make a One Call Now.

**Is there a difference between being homeschooled and being on 100% remote instruction?**

Yes. If parents decide to homeschool their children they need to contact the superintendent's office and submit that request. Required forms will be sent to the parents that need to be turned in on a quarterly basis throughout the year. If parents homeschool then they are responsible for the development of the curriculum, materials, resources, and any technology in the home.

If a child is on 100% remote instruction the curriculum, resources, materials, and technology will all be supplied by the school district. Google Classroom will be used as the central space to post lessons.

**Where can I get help with remote teaching and the programs that are being used by the teachers in the district? I'm not familiar with some of the Google products and would like to help my child.**

We understand it's a lot to take on. Please take a look at the Remote Learning site we've created for our community at the link below. This link will be updated with new material and resources constantly throughout the 20-21 school year. After reviewing

the site please let us know if you need any assistance. We have many people who can help. We will also be holding some live forums (online) for parents in the evenings once the school year starts.

Here's the link to the site: <https://sites.google.com/maloneschools.org/remote>