



**EDISON MIDDLE SCHOOL  
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SOUTH BEND, IN 46615  
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**Parent Newsletter**

**October/November  
2020**

## Dear Edison Families,

During the last School Board meeting on Monday, September 28, 2020, it was voted for South Bend Schools to reopen, and the slide presentation used at the meeting can be found at [http://sb.school/families/school\\_reopening](http://sb.school/families/school_reopening).

One thing I would like all of our families to know is that you have a choice for your student to either continue with eLearning or to return to the building. An opportunity was given to all South Bend Schools families to complete an online survey indicating their choice. This survey closed on Friday, September 25th. If you had not completed the survey, please contact Edison at 393-4400 and inform us whether your child will be coming to the building or will be continuing with eLearning.

As we approach this transition, I want to make sure everyone is aware of some key dates, which may be slightly different than what it indicated currently online.

**October 5th and 6th** are Asynchronous Learning Days for all students. This means there will be no live meets. eLearning continues and students will access their instruction/assignments through their Google Classrooms.

**October 7th and 8th** are Orientation Instructional Days for 6th grade. Students A-K come on the 7th, students L-Z come on the 8th. All other students continue with eLearning.

**October 12th, 13th, 2020** - Fall Break

**October 14, 2020** - In person instruction for 6th, 7th, 8th grade students with last names A-K (Group A). ALL Life Skills students attend.

**October 15, 2020** - In person instruction for 6th, 7th, 8th grade students with last names L-Z (Group B). ALL Life Skills students attend.

**October 16, 2020** is a District eLearning Day for all students. No in-person instruction.

**Beginning October 19, 2020** the full hybrid schedule is in effect for grades 6th, 7th, and 8th:

Monday and Tuesday - In person instruction for Group A, students with last names A-K . ALL Life Skills students attend.

Wednesday - District eLearning Day. No in-person instruction.

Thursday and Friday - In person instruction for Group B, students with last names L-Z . ALL Life Skills students attend.

Although going to school is not new to any of us, attending school in this current time is new to us all. Thus, there are some additional changes I want to make sure to communicate. As in past years the instructional day will begin at 9:00 am. However, students will enter the building at 8:50 am and not before. If there is the need for students to wait outside before entering, students should maintain at least 6 feet from one another and wear a face mask. Everyone in the

building must wear a face mask and keep appropriate social distance. I also recommend students write their names on the inside of their masks in case they become lost. Teachers have also prepared our classrooms to ensure proper distance as well. To decrease additional instances of possible contact, locker times will be limited. Students will use their lockers upon arrival and prior to dismissal.

Again, please know that the main reason for the preceding new practices, and others, is the safety of our Edison community. As we proceed through the weeks ahead, we will continue to inform you of any updates through student emails, school messenger phone calls, our Facebook page, and our website. As we continue our educational journey this year, please feel free to contact me with any questions at 574-393-4400 or [mbudzinski@sbcsc.k12.in.us](mailto:mbudzinski@sbcsc.k12.in.us).

Thank you all for your support,

**Mr. Bud**

### Breakfast/Lunch

Free Breakfast will still be available to every student but it will be a "Grab & Go" breakfast that will be eaten in Advisory. Our doors will open at 8:50 AM and students will grab their breakfast when they come in the door and proceed to their advisory class. Lunch will be in the cafeteria and the atrium area. Tables will be spread out and students will be seated to obtain social distancing with only 3 or 4 students per table.

**DATES TO REMEMBER****OCTOBER 7**

6th Grade A-K returns

**OCTOBER 8**

6th Grade L-Z returns

**OCTOBER 8**

1st Quarter Ends

**OCTOBER 9**

Teacher Record Day—No School

**OCTOBER 12 & 13**

Fall Break—No School

**OCTOBER 14**

All Grades A-K return

**OCTOBER 15**

All Grades L-Z return

**OCTOBER 16**

E-Learning Day for all

**OCTOBER 19 & 20**

All Grades A-K

**OCTOBER 21**

E-Learning Day for all

**OCTOBER 22 & 23**

All Grades L-Z

**OCTOBER 22**

Virtual Parent/Teacher Conferences 5:30—7 PM

**NOVEMBER 19**

Progress Reports are issued

**NOVEMBER 25—27**

Thanksgiving Break

**Boys Basketball:**

Start Date: October 27

Teams: One Varsity and one JV team each consisting of 12–15 players.

Coaches: Sean McNeill (smcneill@sb.school)

Melvin Blakely (mblakely@sb.school)

Requirements: Register online @ eventlink.com Physical on file (if Edison has one from last year, it is still good)

\$20 insurance fee paid online or to the Athletic Office.

Athletes must pass 70% of their classes on their 1st

quarter report card.

Email Dan Eggleston with questions @deggleston@sb.school

**Visitors**

Due to the Coronavirus, we are limiting visitors to our building. If you do need to come to the school to pick up a sick child, please call the office upon your arrival and we will escort your child out to your car. If you have a pre-arranged meeting with a teacher, please ring the buzzer and tell us who you are meeting with and we will have the teacher meet you in the office and take you to the designated meeting location.

**Early Student Pick-Up**

If your child has an appointment scheduled during the day, you will need to send a note to school. Your child should bring it to the office to get an Exit Pass. He/she will then be in the office at the time specified in your note. When you arrive at the school to pick up your child, please give us a call and we will send your child out Door #1 for you to pick them up. **If you need to call in an exit pass for your student, please call before 2 PM.**

**Dismissal**

School dismisses at 4 PM.

**Do not pick up your student early unless they have**

**an appointment and an exit pass.** Car riders exit the building through Door #1. Please wait in your car for your student to come out. Bus riders exit the building at Door #7. If your child is not riding the bus or attending an after school activity they must be picked up no later than 4:15 PM at Door #1.

**Spirit & Pride Shirts**

**Flyers will be sent home soon to purchase Spirit & Pride Spirit wear for Edison Chargers. All orders will be done online @spiritandpride.com Use our school ID #177971. You can also place your order by calling 800-854-4452. Do not send your orders to school.**

**Nurse's Note**

**Immunizations:** In order for your child to continue to attend school, you must provide the school with documentation that your child has received the required immunizations set forth by the State of Indiana. Letters are being sent home to parents /guardians whose child is in need of updated vaccinations. To avoid having your child be excluded from school, please make sure your child has vaccinations or an appointment for the vaccinations. The Health Department provides shots by appointment, call 574-245-6656. On October 13th, Sister Maura Brannick Health Center, 326 S. Chapin, South Bend, is providing immunizations starting

at 5 PM. Children on Medicaid, with no health insurance or insurance that doesn't cover vaccines are eligible.

**Covid 19:** Please do not send your child to school if they are sick. If your child becomes sick at school, you will receive a call from the nurse and you will have to come pick up your sick child. Your child will be kept in an isolation area until you arrive. Call the school office when you arrive and your child will be escorted out to your car. Please see the attached sheet from the nurse for more information. The nurse can be contacted at [574-393-4425](tel:574-393-4425).

**Counselor's Corner**

Hello Edison Chargers! My name is Ms. Linarello, your new guidance counselor. I have been a school social worker at Harrison, Wilson, and Darden—so some of you may know me already. I am looking forward to meeting you and being part of the Edison team. Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns about academics (classes, schedule, tutoring referrals, etc.), emotional (like worrying feelings) or social problems (peer conflict, for example).

My office number is 574-393-4406. My email is [jlinarello@sb.school](mailto:jlinarello@sb.school)



# FROM THE SCHOOL NURSE BACK TO SCHOOL HEALTH RECOMMENDATIONS

## 1 Hand Washing

Regular hand washing is one of the best ways to remove germs, avoid getting sick, and prevent the spread of germs to others. For younger students, practice at home by counting to 20 seconds (sing "Happy Birthday" or the ABC song twice) while scrubbing between fingers and the front and back of hands.



## 7 Change Aerosolized Medication

According to the CDC, nebulizers should not be administered in school at this time. Inhalers may be used. Speak with your child's physician to obtain the proper medication to have at school and an updated Asthma Action Plan for the school year.



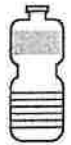
## 2 Masks

Your child will need to wear a mask at school during times where social distancing is not possible. It is helpful to work with them at home on proper mask wearing. Masks should only be used one time before washing, so consider making or buying multiple masks to allow time to wash between use.



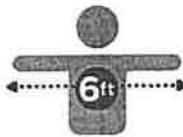
## 8 Purchase a Reusable Water Bottle

The Indiana State Department of Health recommends that water fountains be taken out of service. Check with your school to determine whether your child should bring a reusable water bottle to school. Hydration is encouraged.



## 3 6 Feet Social Distancing

We will encourage practicing 6 feet of social distancing at school. Help your child at home by measuring this distance and practicing social distancing at home.



## 9 Verify/Update Emergency Contacts

If your child presents with COVID-like symptoms while at school, he or she will be placed in an isolation room and will need to be picked up immediately.



## 4 Daily Temperature Check

Check your child's temperature every morning. If 100.4 degrees F or higher, or above the school district's threshold, your child they must stay home until fever free (without the use of medication). Call the school to notify about the absence. A child who develops a fever at school will be sent home.



## 10 Symptoms to Look For

Please do NOT send a child to school who exhibits one or more signs of COVID-19, including, but not limited to:

- Fever at 100.4 F or higher, or above the school district's threshold
- Cough
- Shortness of breath/difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Sore throat
- Chills
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- New loss of taste/smell
- Diarrhea
- Nausea or Vomiting
- Nasal Congestion/Runny Nose



## 5 Immunizations

It is a requirement that your child is up to date on their vaccines prior to attending school. If you are not sure if your child is up to date, contact your child's pediatrician or school nurse.



## 6 Health Concerns

If your child has any health concerns, please let your school nurse know. It is important to discuss how the nurse and other adults can support your child at school.



### Medications

Please make sure you are familiar with the school's medication policy. If medications are needed while at school, please contact your school nurse to discuss the medication and to set up a time for drop-off.



## 2020 CHRISTMAS ASSISTANCE

We will accept applications according to the following schedule:

<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
<b>Oct 5</b> Kroc Center Chapel 900 W. Western Ave. 9:00am-11:30am 12:30pm-3:00pm	<b>Oct 6</b> Kroc Center Chapel 900 W. Western Ave. 9:00am-11:30am 12:30pm-3:00pm	<b>Oct 7</b> Kroc Center Chapel 900 W. Western Ave. 9:00am-11:30am 12:30pm-3:00pm	<b>Oct 8</b> Kroc Center Chapel 900 W. Western Ave. 9:00am-11:30am 12:30pm-3:00pm	<b>Oct 9</b> Kroc Center Chapel 900 W. Western Ave. 9:00am-11:30am 12:30pm-3:00pm	<b>Oct 10</b> Kroc Center Chapel 900 W. Western Ave. 9:00am-11:30am 12:30pm-3:00pm

**To ensure a complete application please bring documents from all four categories:**

ID and SS CARD FOR ALL ADULTS IN HOUSEHOLD: Driver's License, Passport or Green Card  
BIRTH CERTIFICATE AND SS CARD FOR ALL CHILDREN

DOCUMENTATION FOR ALL INCOME: Paycheck Stubs, Social Security statements etc.

EVIDENCE OF CURRENT ADDRESS: Current lease or Current utility with Name and Address on it

**We will not accept applications without this information**

**We will only be able to accommodate ONE adult per household and no children for the application process**

Everyone who qualifies with children 12 & under will receive:

**Food (holiday meal) + Angel Tree (clothing) & Toys for Tots(toys)**

**NOTE: There will be NO TEEN GIFTS this year and NO sizes are needed.**



Other notes:

- Families and individuals without children or children over 12 years old may apply for **FOOD ONLY**
- Families will be disqualified if they apply for Christmas assistance at more than one agency.
- **Holiday Hours: Family Resource Center Office and Pantry Hours**  
**Oct. 12, 2020 – Dec. 11, 2020 – Tuesday & Friday: 9am -12pm**

Family Resource Center Office and Food Pantry will be

**Closed: December 14- January 3, 2021**

**Edison Middle School**  
**Dress Code Policy**  
**2020 - 2021**

**MASKS** - Must be worn. Mouth and nose must be covered.

**SHIRTS**

Polo or Oxford Shirts:

- a. Red, White, Navy, Light Blue or Yellow Long or short sleeved
- b. Plain long-sleeved shirts may be worn under polo shirt
- c. Edison Spirit Wear shirts may be worn over the polo shirts. Shirts without a collar cannot be worn.
- d. Undershirts must be uniform colors with no writing or pictures
- e. Shirts must be tucked in

Sweaters/Vests/Sweatshirts/Fleece

- a. Same colors as shirts
- b. **NO HOODIES**

**PANTS/SKIRTS/DRESSES/SHORTS**

- a. Navy, Black, Khaki/Tan
- b. Shorts must be knee length (no exception) and worn 1<sup>st</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter only
- c. Skirts and dresses must be knee length. (leggings may be worn under a skirt but must be a solid color of navy, white, black or neutral)
  - i. No Denim material
  - ii. No Sweatpants material
  - iii. No leggings/jeggings/yoga pants/pajama pants
  - iv. No Sagging – Belts must be worn

**ACCESSORIES**

- a. Neckwear: ties or scarves may be worn
- b. Jewelry: modest
- c. Hair color: natural hair color only
- d. Belts: No large emblems.
- e. No hats, bandannas, wave setter caps, sweat bands, or hair nets. Headbands may be worn but cannot be wider than two inches. (red, white, navy, black or neutral)

**FOOTWEAR**

- a. Heels and toes must be fully covered
- b. Shoe laces must be tied
- c. Shoes must have a sole

**\*No Coats or outer wear clothing are to be worn in the classroom.**

**\*No blankets are allowed at school.**

**\*School bags/book bags/purses are to be put in the locker and not carried to class.**

**\*Before entering the building, cell phones must be turned off and put in the student's backpack. Cell phones must be kept in the locker during the school day. Students are not to use their cell phones until after they have left the building at dismissal.**

**Edison Middle School  
2020 – 2021 Supply List**

**Sixth Grade**

For Advisory Teacher

- 2 large boxes of Kleenex
- 1 pack Clorox wipes

For personal use

- Hand Sanitizer
- 180 #2 Pencils
- 24 pack of crayons
- 2 dry erase markers
- Colored pencils
- 4 glue sticks
- 4 pocket folders
- 2 packs of wide ruled notebook paper
- 6 spiral notebooks
- Scissors

**Seventh Grade**

- 2 composition notebooks (no spirals)
- 4 packs of loose-leaf paper
- 4 packs of sticky notes
- 4 pocket folders
- 2 pocket folders (with prongs)
- 6 packs of pencils
- 2 packs of colored pencils
- 2 packs of markers
- 2 packs of highlighters
- 2 packs of dry erase markers (4-count)
- 6 bottles of hand sanitizer
- 12 boxes of tissue
- 1 scientific calculator (non-graphing)



**Eighth Grade**

General Supplies for all Classes

- 1 handheld pencil sharpener
- 4 packs of #2 pencils
- 2 packs of blue or black pens
- Eraser
- Colored markers
- Colored pencils
- Highlighters
- Kleenex

English/Language Arts

- 2 packs of notecards
- 2 spiral notebooks

Math

- Calculator (non-graphing)
- 2 packs loose leaf notebook paper
- 2 folders with prongs
- 2 low odor black Expo markers
- 1 pack of post-it notes

Science

- Hand Sanitizer
- 3-Ring Binder (2 inch)
- Loose Leaf notebook paper
- Scissors
- 4 glue sticks
- Calculator (non-graphing)

Social Studies

- 2 composition notebooks



**\*All Students must provide their own earbuds or headphones which are to be kept at school.**

**\*All Students must purchase a P.E. shirt for P.E. class.**

**\*All Students must have backpacks.**