

Suntree Elementary School

Learning Options FAQ

As we prepare for the beginning of the school year, making necessary changes to our routines and procedures to ensure the health and safety of everyone at Suntree Elementary, there are a few questions that have come up often. This document will be updated and revised as things change.

Am I locked in to one way my child will learn this year? If we start the year as an eLearning student, do we have to stay in eLearning all semester or year?

No, parents have the flexibility to change learning options as they see necessary. Students can begin the year eLearning and switch to brick and mortar if/when they feel comfortable.

Will Suntree have a device for our family to borrow if we choose eLearning?

We cannot guarantee there will be devices to loan out to families who choose eLearning.

Are there device specifications that parents need to be aware of when it comes to purchasing equipment for their child's e-learning? eLearning can be accomplished with devices that do not have a considerable amount of resources. A Chromebook could suffice as many of the BPS tools are web based. A tablet may not be ideal but would make do temporarily.

If I ordered school supplies and have chosen eLearning, how will I get the box of school supplies?

The supplies are expected to be delivered to school the week of August 17. We will schedule a pick-up time during that week, so students have their supplies on the first day of eLearning.

Students will have their own school supplies at school and take these supplies to appropriate activity classrooms such as Art and Media when necessary.

What will eLearning look like?

We will have at least one teacher per grade level assigned as the eLearning teacher. This teacher will be a Suntree on-campus teacher AND teach live lessons to eLearning students as well. The daily schedule for the eLearning classroom will mirror the other classrooms in that grade level. Students will be expected to interact and learn during school hours; 8:00 am -2:30 pm. eLearning students will be expected to follow all BPS policies and Suntree procedures and routines.

Will my child still get recess and/or PE if he/she attends on campus?

Yes, we are still mandated by the state to provide 150 minutes of PE along with additional time for recess daily. Therefore, PE and recess will look slightly different as we follow CDC guidelines and BPS policies.

Will my child still get Activity and/or recess if he/she is eLearning?

eLearning students will still get activity and recess options. eLearning students will follow the same schedule as on-campus students, taking breaks for activity, recess, and lunch as the on-campus students do. Activity lessons and activities will be provided to students either through online resources or lessons pushed out by our activity team of teachers.

Is my child mandated to wear a face mask to school?

At this time, the Board has mandated students to wear face masks. At this time, we cannot guarantee our students will be 6ft or more apart from each other inside the classroom. We will have additional face masks for students if there becomes a need during the day. Teachers will be given guidelines and options for providing mask breaks for our students. More information to come.

Can my child use the water fountain?

Students and staff will be advised to **not** use the water fountain to drink out of, but rather to fill a reusable water bottle throughout the day.

What custodial or cleaning protocols will be put into place to ensure everyone's safety on campus?

Custodial staff will increase the amount of cleaning and disinfecting the school building, while focusing on high touch surfaces. Doorknobs, handles, push bars, desks, chairs, light switches, counter tops, water fountains, etc. will be clean/disinfected at least twice a day. **Bathrooms, sinks, and clinic will be cleaned/disinfected every two hours unless there is a need for more frequency of cleaning.** Classrooms and work areas will be cleaned and disinfected by our custodial team daily (after students have left campus).

What chemicals will be used daily to clean classrooms?

EPA approved disinfectants, when applied according to the manufacturers label, are effective for use against COVID-19. Our Custodial team will be using:

Quat- (quaternary ammonium compounds). Quat has excellent wide spectrum germ kill ability, film forming residual, low toxicity and corrosivity, simple to use, good shelf life, works in a variety of pH ranges, highly concentrated, no odor, and **safe** on mostly all surfaces.

Terminator- heavy-duty quaternary-based disinfectant, cleaner, sanitizer and deodorizer.