



Frequently Asked Questions Regarding Coronavirus

1. What is COVID-19?

COVID-19 is the name of the newly detected coronavirus that can cause respiratory illness. It may be spread from person to person, and possibly from touching surfaces that have the virus on them.

2. How can I find out the latest news about what Dayton Public Schools is doing?

Visit Dayton Public Schools website <https://www.dps.k12.oh.us/covid19/>

You can also find updated information by visiting Dayton Public Schools Facebook page, Instagram, or Twitter accounts. If you have a Smartphone, it is a good idea to upload the DPS app on your phone.

3. What can I do to keep myself and my child(ren) healthy?

To help prevent the spread of respiratory viruses, including COVID-19 and flu, follow these important tips:

- Wash your hands frequently with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Practice social distancing.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.
- Individuals with chronic health issues and/or individuals experiencing severe symptoms should be evaluated by a medical professional.

4. How can we help prevent the spread of the virus?

It is recommended that when washing hands, wash them thoroughly for 20 seconds with soap and water. If soap and water are not readily available, use alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains at least 60 percent alcohol. It is also recommended to cover your cough and sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue away in the trash. Clean frequently used objects and surfaces daily. Avoid touching your face with unwashed hands.

5. Who should I contact if I have questions about COVID-19?

You can check out the latest information for the state of Ohio by going to the Ohio Department of Health website.

<https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/covid-19/>

You may also call the Ohio Department of Health COVID information hotline.

1-833-4-ASK-ODH (833) 427-5634

Montgomery County Public Health has set up an informational phone line at 937-225-6217. Calls will be answered Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4p.m.

6. **How long will my scholar(s) be out of their school building?**

- There will be online lessons on Monday March 16th through Friday March 20th and Monday, March 30th through Friday, May 1st. It is important that students participate in these online lessons to ensure that there is no gap in instruction.
- We will keep you informed throughout this state mandated closure.
- As additional details about support from schools or our Scholars of H.O.P.E. becomes available, we will share it immediately. For updated information, please visit DaytonPublic.com or Omegacdc.org. You may also email the Scholars of H.O.P.E. Director, Dormetria Thompson at dtompson@omegacdc.org.

7. **When and where are families able to pick up breakfast and lunch?**

As of now, the last pick up will take place on Wednesday April 1st from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. The food distribution sites are the following schools: Rosa Parks, Kiser, Ruskin, Westwood, Louise Troy, Wright Brothers, Edwin Joel Brown, and Belmont. Each scholar will receive enough breakfasts and lunches for 5 days. Any scholar under the age of 18 may receive food whether they are enrolled in DPS or not

8. **How can find out about my scholar(s) online learning that is provided by DPS?**

Go to <https://www.dpsonlinelearning.com/schedule>.

Each video features DPS teachers and provides standard-based instruction to scholars to help them to not fall behind. These videos will not take the place of regular classroom instruction, but will supplement scholars learning at home. The online learning schedules can be translated from English to five other languages. You will be emailed a separate email that will explain how to log on to Clever to access MindPlay and SuccessMaker for those who have had challenges getting to the resources.

Here are some other DPS online resources that the scholars use all the time during their day at school!! Some of these resources are not use at all DPS buildings, BUT all buildings are using some of these resources. Please use these resources and check with your scholar(s) to see which ones they are using! **Fairview Elementary uses MindPlay and Successmaker and EJ Brown uses MindPlay and ALEKS. Your scholar(s) should know their password in order to log in.**

- Grades 2nd-8th MindPlay (English Language Arts)
- Grades 3rd-12th ALEKS (math and science)
- Grades K-6th Red/Bird/Dreambox/Reflex Math/Successmaker/iReady

9. **What can I expect from Scholars of H.O.P.E. during this time of the COVID pandemic?**

We will continue partnering with Dayton Public Schools to meet the academic and social emotional needs of our scholars and families at Fairview Elementary School and Edwin Joel Brown Middle School!! Your scholar(s) teachers will be in contact with you weekly, provide additional academic and social emotional resources, and any community updates and resources that would be helpful. These communications will include emails, phone calls, and virtual interactions.