

Granton Area Schools 2023-24 Road Map



The following information is a summary of the Granton Area Schools Reopening plan that was formed through a collaborative back to school committee. This is a general overview of how the school plans to open for the 2023-24 school year. Please be advised that the Granton School District will make every effort to reduce the risk of exposure to illness but cannot eliminate all risk associated with convening students and staff. If there are questions or concerns, please contact the District Office at 715-238-7292.

The Granton School District will employ a phased system to identify the current level of school operations for the 2023-24 school year. There are four categories of operations which are separated into five colors: green, pink, yellow, orange and red. Each is described below and outlines how school operations will look in each phase. Movement from one phase to the next is not necessarily linear and may move from Green to Red (or vice versa) as it did in the spring of 2021. It is also possible that a specific grade level may be operating at a different level than the rest of the school. An example would be having the 5th grade class in the red operational category while the rest of the school was still yellow.

Administration may direct the movement from one phase to another at any time based on the fluctuation of active cases in our district or the surrounding community.

Green



Normal school operations as they were prior to the COVID-19 global pandemic. Students and teachers report to school and participate in a regular educational environment without precautions or adjusted environments. Face-to-face (F2F), in person learning is employed and students are required to attend school in accordance with Wisconsin State Statutes.

Pink



Students and teachers still report to the school building for their education. Precautionary practices are employed which include but are not limited to the following: Recommended personal protective equipment (PPE) but not mandated at this time, social distancing, when possible, assigned seating, limitations on parents/visitors/guests within the building, school busing with mask (due to federal mandate), and extra cleaning precautions. During this operational category, teachers will instruct Face-to-Face, in person learning is employed and students are required to attend school in accordance with Wisconsin State Statutes.

Yellow



Students and teachers still report to the school building for their education. Precautionary practices are employed which include but are not limited to the following: Employ personal protective equipment (PPE) during entry to school and passing times, limited schedule, social distancing, limited traffic flow, limitations on parents/visitors/guests within the building, temperature scans, school busing adjustments, etc. During this operational category, teachers could potentially employ a multifaceted learning platform to include "off campus" or digital learning opportunities for students who may choose an off-campus learning environment if deemed necessary. The goal is to have off campus students participate in a regular schedule and join the regular classroom via live streaming or downloading lessons.

Orange



School operations will be adjusted to accommodate a reduced number of students on a daily basis. The most practical model suggests 50% of students attend school physically on Monday and Tuesday. All students participate in a virtual day on Wednesday to allow for the school to increase cleaning measures. The alternate 50% of students then attend on Thursday and Friday with another school cleaning on the weekend. During this phase, teachers will develop on and off campus learning opportunities for students. Classes may be reduced to core subjects with support for digital learners coming from non-core teachers.

Red



Students will stay home and participate in a completely off campus learning environment. 100% digital learning takes place with use of technology. Teachers will report to the school building and social distance in their rooms. As “normal” of schedule as possible will continue with students attending online classes as specified times throughout the day. Teachers will continue to stream and record lessons for students and communicate with families on a daily basis.

General School Protocol Outline:

- Granton Students and Staff will self-monitor signs of sickness before entering the building. Student and Staff will stay home if signs of sickness are found and communicate this absence with the school district principal's office.
- All students will report to school through the MS/HS entrance.
- Students who become ill during the school day will be picked up within one hour of notification.
- Continuous cleaning procedures and disinfecting of all common areas will be a focus throughout the day.
- Gloves will be worn for all non-staff food related serving.
- Use of outdoor learning when available

General School Expectations:

- Granton Area Schools plan to return to school this fall in a face-to-face format while understanding that some families will have health concerns.
- Granton Area Schools will safeguard students and staff by diligent cleaning and safety protocols such as encouraging personal cleanliness where appropriate.
- Student safety and privacy will always be respected during the school day.
- Learning will be planned to be as coherent and consistent as possible.
- Classrooms will be flexible and accommodating to react to changing conditions.

Teacher Expectations:

- Teachers will develop lessons that are consistent and flexible to adapt to changing conditions.
- Teachers will develop short, subject specific lessons that can be supported for students who are unable to physically attend school.
- Teachers will use Google Classroom as the teaching platform for in school and off campus learning.

- Teachers will communicate with families through Classroom Tag which will be deployed at the onset of the school year.

Family Expectations:

- Support students in their learning endeavor and have patience with changing conditions.
- Communicate with staff members and students on a regular basis.
- Adapt to changes that made as we are entering the school year during unprecedented times.
- If students are ill at home, parents will keep them home.
- If students become ill during the school day, parents will pick up child within one hour of notification.

Student Expectations:

- Try your best during all phases of learning.
- Ask questions when you are confused or nervous about situations.
- Communicate with teachers about struggles and progress on a regular basis.
- Check email and Google Classroom daily.
- Complete assignments in a timely manner and submit them to your teacher.
- Try to be as patient as possible. These are different times, and it is difficult to be a teacher and a student during this pandemic.

Safeguard your family if your child shows symptoms of COVID-19.

- Keep the child home and keep other family members and pets away from sick person.
- Only have one person care for sick person and have sick person wear PPE.
- Recognize Symptoms: They may include fever, cough, sore throat, chills, headache, loss of taste or smell, fast breathing, etc.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the Granton Area School District.

RESOURCES:

[School Health Services Infection Control and Mitigation Toolkit](#)

[PPE Considerations for Schools](#)

[WI Dept. of Tourism - Entertainment and pool reopening](#)

[Clark City Health Dept. \(CCHD\) Sports Risk Level](#)

[CCHD COVID-19 Flowchart](#)

[CCHD Before School Parent Letter](#)