

Temporary Permission to Provide Primarily Continuous/Remote Learning (Optional)

Lone Tree

Submitted

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Information

Department of Education and Public Health guidelines recommend applying for a waiver for temporary Continuous/Remote Learning for an entire school building or district for up to 14 days if both of the following criteria have been met. You may still apply even if you do not meet these requirements.

- 15-20% positivity in the county on average over the past 14 days
- 10% absenteeism among students expected for in-person learning

Only the Departments of Education and Public Health can make the determination and provide temporary authorization to move to 100% online or remote learning. This plan is fluid and subject to change as more information becomes available.

Please note that the Department is required to post this application and all supporting documentation to the [Department's Website](#). **Personally identifiable information must, therefore, be omitted from this application and any supporting documentation.**

Circumstance Requiring Temporary Continuous/Remote Learning

Temporary Permission to Provide Primarily Continuous/Remote Learning is being sought for

- the entire public school district
- one or more buildings within the public school district
- a state accredited nonpublic school

Which of the following best describes the amount of time that students will receive online only instruction?

If you are submitting an application for one or more buildings in a school district, please indicate the percent of online instructional time along with the name of the building in the question above.

- More than 50 but less than 100 percent of instruction will be delivered online.
- 100 percent of instruction will be delivered online.

Please enter the date that you propose primarily continuous/remote learning will begin.

11/30/2020



Please enter the date that you propose primarily

continuous/remote learning will end.

12/11/2020



What was the county's average positivity over the past 14 days?

Johnson County - 17.0%. The 14-day rolling rate is 34.15%. And the 24-hour positivity rate is 31.06%. Those numbers are from 11/16/2020.

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What is your current or anticipated absentee rate and how was it calculated?

Our absentee rate is figured by students who are ill, have a positive test, and are being quarantined. Currently we have 57 out of 447 out, 12.8%. Our staff has 12 of 75 out as well, 16%.

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Optional Upload - Please upload any relevant information or supporting documentation.

File Uploaded:
[Waiver, Lone Tree Schools, 11 17 2020.docx](#)
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Do not upload any personally identifiable information.

Provision of Temporary Continuous/Remote Learning

If the application for temporary permission is approved, how will the district or accredited nonpublic school ensure that all students with IEPs are provided with FAPE during the time the district/school is providing services primarily online?

Every IEP in the district has had the "I" page amended to reflect the instruction that will take place if the district were to change instructional models. The mode and frequency of the instruction will vary for each student as the amendments were written in accordance with individual student needs. Teachers will communicate through personal phone calls, home visits, and scheduled meetings.

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If the application for temporary permission is approved, how will the district or accredited nonpublic school ensure that students who require mental health or health services still have access to these services during the time the district/school is providing services primarily online?

Students who require mental health services at Lone Tree have already been transitioned to receiving their services virtually either through weekly Zoom sessions with a counselor from United Action for Youth or through a tele-health appointment with our counselors at Okerberg & Associates. The school counselor will deliver weekly guidance lessons to all K-5 students thru Class Dojo and Google Classroom/Meet. K-12 students have been identified through a Social/Emotional

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If the application for temporary permission is approved, how will the district or accredited nonpublic school ensure that students with 504 plans continue to receive services?

Educators in the district will continue to provide 504 accommodations for students online. 504 coordinators will review accommodations for each student with all teachers. Touching base by phone or email to ensure families are satisfied with the accommodations given online will be done.

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If the application for temporary permission is approved, how will the district continue to provide meals to students?

The district will do the same process we did last spring by having a district-wide survey for families to sign up for meals. We will offer a time and location at school for families to pick up the meals. The Nutrition Director will put all of this information together and have it available for families.

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If the application for temporary permission is approved, how will the district provide access to instructional materials and services for students who do not have access to the internet?

Students in grades K-12 will have access to a device for home use. If any family has connectivity concerns, hot spots may be requested through the district. Further, students that may have no access point to internet services may request to use the internet from the school library. In some cases, students may need to have materials printed or done in hard copy format. These materials will be mailed to families if they are unable to access the designated pick up time.

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If the application for temporary permission is approved, what process will you use to communicate with parents/families on educational services and changes in delivery models?

We will be using our website, PowerSchool to email all the families, our Facebook page, our Twitter account, and we will release a statement to the newspaper based out of Kalona. Within these messages, building principals will include specific information about learning and meeting expectations for students.

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Record of Application Approval

This Question Can Only Be Answered By Iowa Department of Education Staff

Department staff will use the field below to record the history of application approval.