



Jennings Senior High School Flood

Frequently Asked or Anticipated Questions

What is a hybrid schedule?

Blended placement alternating in-person and on-line instruction. We will follow an A/B schedule of which our students are familiar. Freshmen and sophomores will alternate in-person days with juniors and seniors. Fridays will offer the opportunity to study virtually or in person.

Is the building safe?

Yes. We have conducted a variety of tests on systems and air quality. Our school has been designated safe.

Did a pipe freeze or break?

This is one of the challenges of having older school buildings. The pipe simply collapsed due to age. The break occurred about 7 feet below ground and sent water up through a section of the cafeteria. The water traveled down a ramp and into corridors and hallways with direct connections. The water was promptly drained, dried and damaged tile removed. Very shortly will enter the restoration phase where a new tile will be applied. Our school will look better than ever.

Will students understand the A and B schedules?

Yes, our students are very familiar with A and B schedules. The difference is that they will now alternate in person and virtual learning on those days. Just as we learned during the pandemic, something good generally comes out of a challenge like this. We've already considered ways in which we can add more flexibility into schedules.

How will students know which classrooms are off-limits?

There will be some classrooms that will be displaced, but the new locations will be posted and easy to find.

How is the district doing to guarantee security during the clean-up?

The safety and security of students and staff always come first. Our security team will have an ongoing presence at all entries.

What's your plan for meal service during this time?

Our food service partners at Southwest Food Excellence have thought of nothing else since December 22. We have mobilized all teams and are prepared and able to deliver delicious warm and cold foods in box form. Not only for those students or in school, but for those who are studying virtually. Virtual students may go online to reserve a lunch on virtual days. They are welcome to come to school for lunch from 11:55 a.m. - 12:25 p.m.

Will masks be made available for students and teachers?

We recognize that some people may be more sensitive to environmental changes so we will provide masks as needed. However, if the concern is air quality, we continue to monitor it daily and we do not anticipate any issues.

What are Academic Lab Days?

This is the term we are using for the flex days on Fridays. Students will have the option to report to school in person or work online according to the rotating A/B schedule.

How is athletics impacted?

We have found workarounds for sports as well. Both Boys and Girls Basketball will play the remainder of their home basketball games in the E-Gym for the rest of the season. As a result of this change, seating capacity will be limited. Therefore, a limited number of tickets will be available for each game. **ALL TICKETS MUST BE PURCHASED ONLINE.** No one will be allowed to purchase any tickets at the door - NO EXCEPTIONS. We strongly encourage everyone to purchase tickets early, as games may sell out.

Can we come see the school before classes start back in person?

Absolutely. Town Halls are scheduled for Wednesday 1/14 and Thursday 1/15, 3 - 6 p.m. both days. Students, parents/guardians and staff will be invited to reserve a space for one of these meetings which will include a guided tour of the facility.

Thank you for your attention. On behalf of students and staff at the Jennings Senior high school, the Board of Education and district administration, we want to thank our community, our utility companies, and our service agents for their good work and support.