

Academic Pathway for Spring Semester

Traditional or Distance Learning Options

ALL STUDENTS MUST RETURN THIS FORM - Due by Friday, Nov. 13, 2020

As we begin preparing for the second semester of learning for Hardin County Schools, all parents will be required to submit this form letting us know which academic pathway you are choosing for your child. Please carefully read this form before making your decision. Distance learning parents can either bring this form back to your child's school or drop it off when picking up meals and/or packets. **This form must be signed and dated and returned to your child's school by Friday, Nov. 13, 2020.**

If you choose the distance learning option for your child for the 2nd semester, you must have a device (other than a cell phone) and reliable internet service. No paper packets will be distributed. Our school system has ordered Chromebooks and Chrome Tablets, through the CARES Act funds, but there is no guarantee that these devices will arrive before the second semester begins in January 2021. **If your child is failing any subject at the end of the first semester in December, your request for your child to do distance learning may be denied, due to the best academic interest of your child.**

If your child starts distance learning at the beginning of the second semester, he/she will have to remain in distance learning the entire semester. The only exception to this would be if your child's academic progress is deemed unsatisfactory by the school system, then your child may be required to attend school the final nine weeks. For our students that start the second semester by attending school, they will not have the option to move to distance learning during the semester unless there is a documented medical reason presented to and approved by the school system. Please know that these decisions, like all other decisions we make concerning school matters, always have the best interests of all children in mind.

We will continue to work closely with local and state health officials and would either move a school or our entire system to a hybrid schedule or a full distance learning format if the circumstances arise throughout the semester.

Student's Name (please print)

Student's School (please print)

Grade

Please mark your choice:

_____ I want my child to **attend school** starting the second semester in January 2021. I understand that my child will not have the option to move to distance learning during the semester unless there is a documented medical reason presented to and approved by the school system.

_____ I want my child to do **distance learning** starting the second semester in January 2021. I understand that I must have a device, other than a cell phone, and reliable internet in order to make this choice. I understand that paper packets will not be provided by the school system as an option. I also understand that my child must remain in distance learning for the entire semester (The only exception to this would be if your child's academic progress is deemed unsatisfactory by the school system, then your child may be required to attend school the final nine weeks of school)

Parent's Name (please print)

Parent's Signature

Date