

Adopted by the State Board – September 1, 2020

- Schools must be open for students at least 180 school days.
- All schools must include at least a total of six hours per day.
- Schools must have an average of 3.5 hours across the grades (K through 12) of synchronous instruction spread out over the course of the day.
- Half day preK school day for each local school system must include a minimum of 1.5 hours of synchronous instruction spread out over the course of the half-day.
- MSDE will collaborate with local school Superintendents and provide technical assistance as they work to implement the minimum hours of synchronous instruction by the end of the calendar year.
- School systems that have indicated that they are not returning students in person until second semester should reevaluate their reopening plans by the end of the first quarter (after nine weeks) and submit to MSDE by the third week of November.