

FAQS

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What safety protocols should parents be aware of when visiting GDOE facilities/schools?

Call ahead or make an appointment prior to visiting the school to avoid overcrowding. Use of face mask and temperature scans are required at all GDOE Facilities. Report directly to the main office

Am I able to change the model of instruction my child is enrolled in?

Yes. Changing a student's model of instruction will be difficult for both schools and students. However, parents are able to change their child's model of learning by coordinating with their child's school directly.

How will the ABC groups be determined?

Students will be grouped alphabetically by last name. Parents may request that their child(ren) be placed in the same group.

For incoming kindergarten, 6th and 9th grade students, are physical exams and TB shots required?

Yes, these are still required regardless of the model of instruction your child is enrolled in.

Am I required to purchase uniforms for my child this year?

No. The Guam Education Board suspended the uniform policy this school year. While uniforms are not mandatory, they are optional for those who prefer to use them. Schools will provide dress code guidelines for those opting not to wear the uniforms.

How will the busing situation be different this year?

Additional safety measures will be put in place on school buses. Although temperature checks are not required prior to boarding, face coverings and physical distancing are required.

Disclaimer: This information is subject to change based on the evolving COVID-19 situation in Guam. For the latest information visit <https://www.gdoe.net/District/Portal/school-year-2020-2021-information>.

SCHOOL CONTACT INFORMATION

Elementary Schools

Adacao Elementary School
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Agana Heights Elementary School
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Astumbo Elementary School
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C.L. Taitano Elementary School
472-4245 | cltes@gdoe.net

Carbullido Elementary School
734-4341 | bpcarbullido@gdoe.net

Chief Brodie Memorial Elem. School
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Daniel L. Perez Elementary School
653-0404 | dlpes@gdoe.net

Finegayan Elementary School
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Harry S. Truman Elementary School
565-5195 | htes@gdoe.net

Inarajan Elementary School
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Juan M. Guerrero Elementary School
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J.Q. San Miguel Elementary School
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L.B. Johnson Elementary School
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Liguan Elementary School
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Maria A. Ulloa Elementary School
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M.U. Lujan Elementary School
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Machananao Elementary School
635-4381 | machananao@gdoe.net

Marcial A. Sablan Elementary School
565-2238 | masestars@gdoe.net

Merizo Martyrs Memorial School
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Ordot-Chalan Pago Elementary School
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P.C. Lujan Elementary School
734-3971 | pcles@gdoe.net

Price Elementary School
734-2159 | riulloa@gdoe.net

Talofoto Elementary School
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Tamuning Elementary School
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Upi Elementary School
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Wettengel Elementary School
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Jose L.G. Rios MS
475-2426/27 | jlgrms@gdoe.net

L.P. Untalan MS
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Oceanview MS
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Vicente Benavente MS
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High Schools

George Washington HS
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J.P. Torres Success Academy
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Central Success Academy
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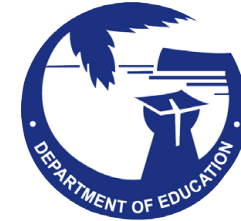
John F. Kennedy HS
642-2100 | jfkhs@gdoe.net

Okkodo HS
300-1870 | ohs@gdoe.net

Simon Sanchez HS
653-2313 | ssshs@gdoe.net

Southern HS
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Tiyan HS
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PARENT TOOLKIT SY 20-21

This toolkit contains information that will help parents understand the changes to the regular school year due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

For additional information and resources visit www.gdoe.net

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COVID-19

COVID-19 & IMPACTS ON THE NEW SCHOOL YEAR

The ongoing COVID-19 pandemic is affecting the way we live, work and go to school. Because the spread of COVID-19 has the potential to make our school communities sick, and to overwhelm our hospital system, the Guam Department of Education is implementing new safety protocols.



Wearing a face covering while at all GDOE facilities.

Temperature checks upon arrival.



Physical distancing.

Frequent washing of hands.



Frequent cleaning of common areas and high traffic areas/surfaces.



COVID health education for students and staff.



Posted safety signs and protocols.

SYMPTOMS OF COVID-19

- Fever (100.4 F and higher)
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Congestion or runny nose
- Less common symptoms include: nausea, vomiting, or diarrhea
- New loss of taste or smell
- Headache
- Chills
- Muscle pain
- Sore throat



WHAT DO I NEED TO DO IF MY CHILD HAS COVID-19 SYMPTOMS?

If your child has any symptoms of COVID-19 (fever, shortness of breath, cough, loss of taste or smell), **DO NOT BRING YOUR CHILD TO SCHOOL.** Inform the teacher and school nurse right away so he/she can monitor other students in the class for symptoms. Students with symptoms of COVID-19 should be tested and cleared before returning to school. If your child tests positive for COVID-19, please inform the school right away.

MODELS OF INSTRUCTION

HOME LEARNING ONLINE INSTRUCTION 100 % Online Learning

This model of Instruction and attendance is 100% online. Students attend classes online and are required to have a computer or tablet, and reliable internet access. Additionally, though not necessarily required, access to a printer and scanner are beneficial.



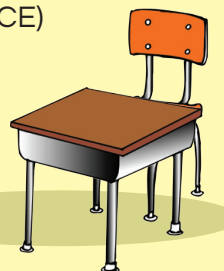
HOME LEARNING HARD COPIES Paper Based /Hard Copy Curriculum



This model of instruction and attendance is for students who would like to do 100% distance learning but do not have the equipment to support 100% online work. This would be a home learning model supported by a paper-based or hard copy based curriculum.

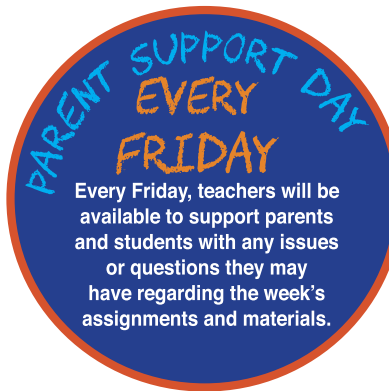
TRADITIONAL (FACE-TO FACE) Classroom + At Home Learning

This model of instruction and attendance will be for students who will be participating in traditional face-to-face classes in school. Due to safety and physical distancing considerations, the Guam Education Board has approved using an A-B-C alternating schedule, where 1/3 of students attend classes on any given school day.



TIPS FOR PARENTS

1. Contact your child's school for **class schedules.**
2. **Set up daily homework/study routines** for days your child is at home.
3. **Touch base** with your child's teacher prior to the first day of classes (August 17, 2020).
4. **Questions about homework?** Make an appointment with your child's teacher for help.



SPECIAL EDUCATION

The Guam Department of Education, Division of Special Education Services (SPED) has created **A Parent's Guide to Special Education during the COVID-19 Pandemic: Hita Para Mo'na** to assist parents with understanding how special education services will be determined and provided to their students during the COVID-19 pandemic.

It also offers information and suggestions for families and school professionals, working together, to ensure that the delivery of special education instruction, services and supports continues to be designed to meet the individual needs of students with disabilities. For a complete version of the Parent Guide and other resources, please visit our website at <https://www.gdoe.net/District/Department/2-Special-Education>.

Request a Communication Schedule and Stay in Touch With Your School Contact

Now more than ever, school staff will rely upon you to work together with them in new and different ways. Your child's educational progress and learning experience depends on this enhanced partnership.

For more information, contact the Guam Department of Education Division of Special Education at (671)300-1322 or sped@gdoe.net.

NEW NORMAL

Social and Emotional Awareness Help your child deal with COVID-19

Many parents/guardians are faced with assisting their children adjust to the new normal.

Your child/children may be experiencing stress because of the following reasons:

- Fear and worry about their health or the health and wellbeing of their friends and family.
- Uncertainty about the family's financial income and employment instability.
- Stress associated with home learning, physical distancing, and reduced socialization with friends and teachers.

LEARN MORE ABOUT SOCIAL EMOTIONAL WELLNESS HERE:

- **National Alliance on Mental Illness**
<https://www.nami.org/About-Mental-Illness/Warning-Signs-and-Symptoms>
- **Center for Disease Control**
<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/daily-life-coping/managing-stress-anxiety.html>

FOR PROFESSIONAL HELP PLEASE CONTACT THE FOLLOWING:

- **Guam Department of Education** - Contact your child's school counselor for social and emotional screening
- **Guam Behavioral Health and Wellness Center** | 647-5440
- **Guam Crisis Hotline** | 647-8833
- Contact your **Health Insurance Provider** for the listing of available therapists in private practice.