



River Forest
Public Schools

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Full-Time Remote Learning Opt-In Form 2020-2021 School Year

As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, Illinois is operating under a five-phase plan referred to as *Restore Illinois*. Under Phase 4 of *Restore Illinois*, Illinois schools can return to in-person instruction by adhering to guidance from the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH). River Forest District 90 is committed to providing in-person instruction for its students during the 2020-2021 school year while following the safety standards recommended by the IDPH. To ensure the health and safety of students, staff, and the school community, students are expected to cooperate with all River Forest District 90 safety protocols at school and school-related activities. River Forest District 90 students are expected to return to school for in-person instruction on a partial (elementary) or part-week (middle school) basis during the month of November, unless directed otherwise by IDPH, or River Forest District 90 determines that a student cannot attend school safely. The specific start dates will vary by grade level.

While in-person instruction is optimal for students' learning, River Forest District 90 understands that parents may prefer remote learning as an alternative due to concerns related to the pandemic or other reasons. In an effort to accommodate the needs of our school community during this unprecedented time, River Forest District 90 is offering for parents to opt-in their students to participate in full-time remote learning while Illinois remains in Phase 4 of *Restore Illinois* (or if Illinois reverts to an earlier Phase that permits in-person attendance).

By opting-in your child to full-time remote learning, you understand and agree to the following:

1. My child will receive all learning instruction, activities, and supports from River Forest District 90 remotely through alternative means (e.g., phone, e-mail, online/virtual platforms such as Facetime, Google Meet, Zoom, etc.).
2. Full-time remote learning will include both synchronous (live) and asynchronous methods of instruction, though opportunities for my child to receive immediate feedback/responses from teachers and other school personnel may be limited. I understand that the majority of the students in the class will be "in-person," which will impact pedagogy.
3. Full-time remote learning may not include all of the activities offered within the classroom.
4. If my child participates in group-based special education services, I will be asked to sign a separate consent form agreeing to remote group special education and/or related services.
5. If needed, River Forest District 90 may develop a Student Remote Learning Plan for my child that identifies the social-emotional and educational supports my child will receive during full-time remote learning.
6. My child will remain in full-time remote learning until after the first semester (January 21, 2020) or until Phase 5 of *Restore Illinois*, whichever occurs first. Requests to return to the current mode of instruction may be made at any time after this point. However, families not requesting to return to the mode of instruction that is in place at that time will remain in full-remote learning until the end of the school year or movement to Phase 5 of *Restore Illinois*.

Your signature below acknowledges your understanding and agreement with the above statements and indicates that you have chosen to opt-in your child(ren) to full-time remote learning instead of having your child(ren) receive in-person instruction from River Forest District 90. If space for additional student names is needed, please indicate such and list them on the back.

Student Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____ School/Grade: _____

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Parent/Guardian Name: _____ Parent/Guardian Email: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____ Phone: _____

Please scan and send this form electronically to ribaudoj@district90.org or mail/deliver it to the District 90 Administration Office (7776 Lake Street, River Forest, IL 60305) no later than Noon on Friday, November 13, 2020. A U.S. postmark of November 13 will meet this deadline. Regrettably, late requests cannot be accepted.