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## School and COVID-19

COVID-19 made schools close.  
Some schools are open now.  
Some children will learn at school.  
Some children will have remote learning.  
Some parents may choose learning at school.  
Some parents may choose remote learning.  
Choosing may be hard.

## Schools are Important

Schools help children learn.  
Schools help children stay healthy.  
Schools help children feel good.  
School may provide meals.  
School may provide childcare.  
School may provide learning supports.  
School may provide behavior supports.  
School may provide many services.  
School may meet needs better than home.  
Parents must decide what is best.  
Parents must think about work.  
Parents must think about food.  
Parents must think about health.  
Parents must think about risks.

## COVID-19 Makes Learning at School Different

Schools may have fewer children.  
Schools may have new schedules.  
Learning at school can be good.  
Children may learn more at school.  
Children will see friends at school.  
Parents may work when children are at school.  
Children may get COVID-19 at school.  
Remote learning may be safer.  
Remote learning may make learning hard.  
Remote learning may be lonely.  
Choosing school or remote learning may be hard.

## Children Can Get COVID-19

Some children with COVID-19 feel fine.  
Some children with COVID-19 get sick.  
Some children with COVID-19 get very sick.  
Some children will have a fever.  
Some children will have a cough.  
Some children will have sore muscles.  
Some children will have a headache.  
Some children will have a sore throat.  
Some children will have a runny nose.  
Some children will have a stuffy nose.  
Some children will have diarrhea.  
Some children will need to see a doctor.  
Some children will need to go to the hospital.  
All children with COVID-19 must stay home.

## Some Children May Get Very Sick with COVID-19

Children with disabilities may get very sick.

Children with health problems may get very sick.

Children may get COVID-19 at school.

Children can spread COVID-19 to adults.

Think about the spread of COVID-19.

Think about the risk of COVID-19.

Think about the risk of COVID-19 for your child.

Think about risk when choosing school.

## Schools Should Have a Plan

Look at the plan for learning at school.  
Wearing masks should be in the plan.  
Small groups should be in the plan.  
Washing hands often should be in the plan.  
Staying at least 6 feet apart should be in the plan.  
Cleaning often should be in the plan.  
Disinfecting often should be in the plan.

## Parents Have to Make an Important Decision

Parents have to think about many things.  
Parents have to think about everyone who might get sick.  
Parents have to think about their children.  
Parents have to think about the whole family.  
Parents have to think about everyone in the home.  
Parents have to think about work.  
Parents have to learn about the plan.  
Thinking and learning will help parents decide.

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