

COVID-19 GLOSSARY OF EDUCATIONAL TERMS

We're all learning lots of new words during COVID-19. Here are a few that we bet you've heard, and maybe aren't sure what they mean.

Synchronous Learning: In-person or online instruction between teachers and students that takes place live and with interaction -- that is, not pre-recorded.

Asynchronous Learning: Coursework that does not involve live instruction, thereby allowing students to learn on their own schedule. In the Redmond School District, many secondary students have asynchronous learning on Wednesdays. Examples might include pre-recorded lessons or lectures from teachers, or assigned work that will be discussed during synchronous learning times.

Close Contact: Any contact with a positive COVID-19 case that is within 6 feet for 15 or more minutes (cumulative), even when wearing masks.

Cohort: A group of students that takes classes together and interacts in a building during a school day. The purpose of a cohort is to limit the number of students interacting with one another to prevent wide spread of COVID-19.

Full Time Online (FTO): A Redmond School District program that allows students to take all classes online for the entire school year, with instruction provided by RSD teachers.

Hybrid: Schooling that takes place partly in person/on site, and partly online in a virtual, distance learning setting.

Quarantine: The 10-day period when a student or staff member must stay home after a close contact with a COVID-19 positive case.

Rapid Test: The COVID-19 test offered at schools to students and staff who are showing symptoms of the virus. The Redmond School District uses Abbott Binax-NOW on-site, rapid antigen test products, which involve a shallow, self-administered nose swab and provides results in 15 minutes. Participation is voluntary.

LIPI: Limited In-person Instruction, a program that took place during Comprehensive Distance Learning that allowed some students to come into school for in-person instruction for a short period of time each day.

Blueprint: A state-required document that outlines the health and safety measures taken in each school in order to be compliant with state guidelines surrounding COVID-19.