

***2020-2021 COVID HANDBOOK SUPPLEMENT**

Beginning of the day

The school day begins at 7:50 am. If your child is not eating breakfast at school, please have them arrive as close to 7:50 as possible. Breakfast begins at 7:40 and runs until 7:50am.

Students will eat breakfast in the commons or in their 1st hour classroom. If eating in the commons the students must sit at the tables in the designated seating locations. Each table will only have two students at a time.

Entering the building

Middle School students will enter the building only through the Music Hallway doors. High School students will enter the building only through the main entrance. All students will wear their face covering when they enter and exit the building.

If the student needs to bring something to the office they may do this on their way to their first hour class.

Lockers

Student lockers will be used as little as possible throughout the day to keep students socially distanced. Students may briefly use their locker when arriving at school to place non-essential classroom items in them.

Students will not be allowed to congregate in the hallway before the first bell. Once students have placed their items in their lockers they should immediately report to their first hour class.

Middle School students should carry books for hours 1-4 in their backpacks. High School students should carry books for hours 1-5 in their backpacks. After lunch students will change over their books for their afternoon classes. This will eliminate large groups in the hallway for most of the day. Any time while in the hallway the student must be wearing their face covering.

Bathrooms

Any time while in the hallway the student must be wearing their face covering. Phones must remain in the classroom in order to leave to use the bathroom.

Bell passing time

Students will go directly to their next period class. If the student needs to use the bathroom they must first report to their class to check in and place their backpack in the classroom. Any time while in the hallway the student must be wearing their face covering.

Lunch

The commons has been set up for students to be able to social distance while eating. Students will sit at the ends of each table with two students at each table. Students must remain facing forward while eating. When a student is done eating they must return to wearing their mask. Students who take hot lunch will line up in a spot marked at the 6' social distancing locations. No Ale cart or salad bar items will be available at this time. Students will not be able to use the gym during the lunch period.

Some students will have the opportunity to eat lunch in a classroom with a Teacher supervising them. Students will commit to this location until changes in the commons for lunch are available.

Open Campus

Privileges have temporarily been closed.

Classrooms

Students are required to sanitize their hands prior to entering the classroom. Each classroom has a sanitizer station outside of the door. Students will be required to wipe down their desk at the end of each period to sanitize it for the next period.

End of the day

Middle School students will exit through the Music Hallway doors. High School students will exit through the Main Entrance doors. Students are to be wearing their mask while exiting the building and in the school parking lot.

All student pick up will be at the outside of the school. No one is allowed to wait inside the school. Parents who drop off and pick up students at school are asked to remain outside and be physically distanced from others during pick up and drop off. If you are picking up your child unexpectedly, please notify the office.

Busses

Capacity adjustments will be made to help reduce contacts on busses. One child per seat will be required unless children are within the same household. Seating charts will be implemented and all students must sit in designated seats. Students who are in a seat by themselves, will sit close to the window to increase physical distancing.

Face coverings will be worn on the busses at all times by students and drivers. If a student does not have a face covering when entering the bus, one will be provided. Eating and drinking on busses is prohibited. Students will sanitize their hands upon entering the bus with sanitizer provided. No guest riders will be allowed on busses.

Face coverings

Face coverings are mandatory at all times while on school grounds. Students will need to wear a face covering when on district grounds as they arrive at school in the morning. Students will also wear their face covering at the end of the day when they exit the building. Students will need to wear face coverings when going to bathrooms or walking to the office. Face covering use will be reviewed regularly and adjustments will be made if necessary.

6' Social Distancing

Students are asked to keep a 6' space between them and anyone next to them as much as possible. Every possible aspect of the student day is set up to accommodate this practice.

Food Service

The district supports access to healthy food in an environment that is clean and safe for all students.

- Students will have the opportunity to washing/sanitizing hands before and after food consumption.
- Students will have access to use microwaves to heat food. Handles and key pads will be sanitized after each use.
- Students will not be allowed to share food and beverages.
- Bubblers are closed off to use. Water bottles can be refilled at the filling station in the commons and gym.

Visitors

All district buildings and grounds are closed to visitors between the hours of 7:00 am and 4:00 pm on school days unless otherwise noted, scheduled, or approved by administration. Any pre-approved visitors to the district will be required to wear a face covering their entire time on the grounds. Visitors will need to sign into the building at the office.

Health Guidelines

Individuals with a confirmed or suspected case of COVID-19 should remain home until the time that a certified medical provider or local public health official puts in writing that they can return to school.

If an individual has been exposed to a person positive for COVID-19, they need to remain in self-quarantine for 14 days following exposure. If the individual quarantined develops symptoms during this time, they must contact a physician.

Symptoms that parents need to be aware of and monitor daily are listed. Please be aware that this is not an all-inclusive list.

- Fever - Temperature 100 degrees or greater. A child must be fever free, without fever reducing medication for 72 hours before returning to school.
- Vomiting – A student who is vomiting must stay home for 72 hours, symptom free without anti-nausea medication before returning to school.
- Diarrhea – A student who has diarrhea (two or more watery stools in a 12-hour period) needs to stay home until symptom free, without medication, for 72 hours.
- Rash – Your child should remain at home if they present a rash that is spreading and open and cannot be covered. A doctor should always evaluate a skin rash before returning to school. The child may return to school after presenting a doctor's note indicating that they are not contagious.
- Cough and cold – Your child should remain at home and follow guidelines of a medical care provider.
- Other symptoms that parents need to be aware of and take note of are shortness of breath, sore throat, body aches and sudden loss of taste or smell.

Daily Health Screening

All parents or guardians of students will do a daily home health screening prior to sending their child to school. Daily health screening includes the following checklist:

- Current temperature of over 100 degree Fahrenheit or a temperature over 100 degrees Fahrenheit within the last 72 hours
- Close contact with a confirmed COVID-19 case within the last 14 days
- Experiencing a cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, or sore throat within the last 72 hours
- New loss of smell or taste
- Muscle pain (not associated with exercise) or chills
- Other illness symptoms including but not limited to vomiting, diarrhea, runny nose (not related to allergies), or rash in the past 72 hours.

Any student is asked to stay home if they have any of the above mentioned symptoms. Students should report their absence to the elementary school office.

If a child becomes sick while at school, they will be evaluated by the school nurse or trained staff member. The employee will wear proper protection including a face covering and eye protection as well as gloves. Parents/guardians will be asked to pick up students promptly. Students will be provided a face covering to wear while in the medical isolation area. A staff member will keep a close watch on the student until a parent/guardian arrives. The student will be released to the parent once the parent arrives. The parent will ring the front door bell and the student will be brought out to the parent. **Students will be allowed to return to school after criteria on the daily checklist are met.** The district will not require a family to get a COVID-19 test, that decision is up to a licensed health care provider or health department official.

At any time, if the district deems necessary, they may require or implement daily temperature checks for staff and students. Random temperature checks will also be utilized to help us ensure that parents are not sending students to school with a fever.