



DRAFT Reopening Plan – July 22, 2020

The #1 Safety Factor...
Keep our Community Infection Rate
LOW

Wear a Mask!

Wash your Hands!

Instructional Plans

- **All In-Person Instruction** –ALL students are on campus 4 days per week: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. 1 day per week (Wednesday) is used to support students on Remote instruction and to do a district-wide deep clean.
- **Hybrid model** –HALF of students are on campus at a time. Blue group is Monday & Thursday, Gold group is Tuesday & Friday.
- **All Remote Instruction** – NO students are on campus for instruction. Exceptions might be given for students with disabilities or other students with particular learning needs.

Instructional Plans

- **All In-Person Instruction** -our PREFERRED option and likely to continue for 2020-21 school year or until vaccine is widely available
- **Hybrid model** -used when we are unable to have All In-Person instruction due to technical challenge like transportation or when a particular classroom or grade level cohort has to stay home due to local exposure and/or infection
- **All Remote Instruction** – in the event the entire district, region, or state is closed down due to infection rate above 5%

Remote Instruction

- Similar to spring 2020 but with improvements based on our experience
- Students will already have Chromebooks assigned and Google Classroom setup so they won't need to come back to campus
- Extensive use of Technology (Chromebooks)
- Work must be “worthy of granting a credit of study” (NYSED)
- Required DAILY contact between every student and a staff member
- Students must be engaged in work every day for it to count towards attendance

Hybrid and In-Person Instruction

What does it look like?

Staff Training

- All staff will be trained prior to the start of instruction on:
 - How to protect themselves (mask use, hand washing, reparatory hygiene, etc)
 - How to teach students to safe practices for the classroom
 - Practices to reduce the spread of infection within the classroom
 - Recognizing and reporting potential signs of infection
- All staff will receive training on the effective use of technology for instruction for remote, hybrid, and in-person instructional models
- All staff will receive training on any required mandates of the Departments of Health and Education

Student Training

- All students will be trained on the first day of instruction on safety precautions including mask use, social distancing, hand washing, reparatory hygiene.
- All students will receive training on the effective use of technology for instruction for remote, hybrid, and in-person instructional models

Transportation

- Two (2) Bus Runs following the same routes we currently use
- First Run will be PreK through 4th grade
- First Run will arrive ~7:30 a.m. and depart ~ 2:30 p.m.
- Second Run will be 5th grade through 12th grade
- Second will arrive ~8:30 a.m. and depart ~3:30 p.m
- Buses will be approximately 50% capacity or as close to 20 as possible
- Students from same household will sit together
- Must ride same bus a.m. and p.m.
- Mailing in August for parents to indicate in writing that they will need transportation so we have an accurate count. Parents must provide 5 days notice to resume busing.

Screening

- Parents/Guardians will screen students at home including temp check
- Parents/Guardians will fill out a Screening Ticket for each student each day
- Students must present the Screening Ticket prior to boarding a bus or entering the school and must have answered NO to all questions
- Staff must screen at home and sign a daily sheet acknowledge they have self-screened and answer NO to all screening questions
- Anyone who answers YES to any question must stay home and seek medical attention

Mask Requirements

- Masks are required for ALL STUDENTS and ALL STAFF at ALL TIMES unless they are in a classroom where they are able to maintain 6 feet of distance. This includes:
 - On the Bus
 - On school grounds (bus loop, school entrances)
 - Hallways
 - Kitchen / Cafeteria
 - Classrooms where they cannot maintain 6 feet of distance
 - Classrooms where they are not separated by partitions

No Congregation

- Buses will stagger drop off and pick up times to reduce number of students in bus loop, entrance, and hallways
- Doors will be locked until first bus arrives and locked when last bus leaves for the day. No students or visitors except during school hours
- Students will only change classes when necessary
- If students change classrooms, it will be on staggered schedule to reduce congestion in hallways
- Hallways will be 1-way where possible to reduce face to face passing
- Cafeterias will not be used for lunch except for perhaps K and 1

Cohorts

- Students will remain with a limited number of students and staff in a limited set of classrooms
- Reduces likelihood of spread across entire school or district
- PreK- 6 Cohort will be their classroom
- 7-12 Cohort will be their grade level
- Students will remain in same classroom as much as possible
- Teachers will push into classrooms as much as possible (e.g. elementary art and music)
- PE classes will be outdoors as much as possible with 12 feet of distance

Food Service

- Breakfast in the classroom for most students. Students will have a grab and go breakfast option to pick up on their way to the classroom
- Lunch will be eaten in classrooms by most students
- Students will go to cafeteria with masks to pick up lunches and take them back to classroom to eat
- All food will be pre-plated and complete on the tray
- Reduced menu options for breakfast and lunch

Hands-On Instruction

- We will eliminate or dramatically reduce the sharing of tools, equipment, instruments, supplies or materials throughout the school day in all classroom settings. This will impact the degree to which students can engage in hands-on activities.
- When students must use the same items, they will wear disposable gloves.
- MS Life Skills classes for Grade 6 will push into classroom, Grade 7 will be in Ag classroom
- MS and HS Tech and Art classes will be in tech and art rooms.

To be determined

- Chorus and Band? Will NOT start at beginning of school. Need to work with music teachers on a plan to provide instruction while keeping students 12 feet apart as required
- BOCES programs? Students with disabilities will attend programs however they are offered by BOCES. Juniors will not be able to start tech programs. Seniors MAY be allowed to complete their 2-year programs depending on BOCES safety plan and scheduling. No details yet from BOCES on their plan.

Hand and Respiratory Hygiene

- We encourage staff, parents, and students to make or purchase their own masks so it is comfortable and personal to them
- All Staff and Students will be provided a cloth mask at no charge if needed
- Paper masks will be offered to any staff, student or visitor who wishes to come on campus and does not have a mask
- Sanitizer with 60% alcohol will be available at school entrances, in offices, and in classrooms
- Soap and paper towels will be stocked up at all sinks
- We will increase outside airflow in classrooms and buses

Cleaning and Sanitizing

- All spaces will be cleaned and sanitized each evening
- A deep clean of the entire campus will be conducted Wednesdays during regular hours
- Buses will be cleaned and sanitized after a.m. and again after p.m. runs
- Shared bathrooms, offices, and other high-traffic areas will be cleaned during the day on a schedule
- Classrooms, Offices and Buses will have a bin of Sanitizing Supplies, Masks, and Gloves
- Reduce high contact surfaces (e.g. Doors propped open when possible, Water fountains closed except for bottle filling stations)

Technology

- Students grade 3 -12 will have Chromebook assigned to them at start of school
- Teachers will setup Google Classroom for all of their classes
- Technology will be used extensively in all three plans (Remote, Hybrid, and In-Person) to distribute materials and collect student work
- Continue wifi in the bus loop and expand wifi access to parking lots

Athletics & Extracurriculars

- School Athletics is NOT allowed at this time.
- State athletic association has provided a template for resumption of sports in January starting with low-contact / low-risk sports and moving towards high-contact / high-risk prior to end of school year
- No clubs or other extra-curriculars at this time.

Visitors

- Visitors need to be kept to an absolute minimum
- Visitors need to remain in office or conference room areas
- Visitors must answer the screening questions prior to being allowed indoors
- Parent conferences and meetings need to be conducted by phone or zoom as much as possible
- No access to classrooms for anyone other than staff
- No outside groups allowed on campus – no use of building or fields

Compliance

- Students, staff and visitors are expected to obey all state, local, and district rules, guidelines, and executive orders.
- Failure to comply will have consequences such as removal from school and disciplinary action.
- Accommodations and exemptions will only be provided in cases where there is proper documentation from their Physician. This notification must be provided in advance to provide time for arrangements to be made for their safe participation in school.

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