

COVID-19 Plan for Parents
School Opening 2021-2022

Plan is subject to change based on guidance from the CDC, the MS Department of Health, orders by the Governor and/or local decisions.

Transportation	Whenever possible, parents are encouraged to bring their children to school and pick them up in the afternoon.
Temperature Checks	Parents are encouraged to check their child's temperature each morning before leaving for school. If the temperature is 100.4 degrees or above, the child will not come to school. Please contact the school regarding the absence.
Sick Students	Please be prepared to pick up your child promptly if contacted by the school. Students identified with symptoms will be quarantined in a supervised isolation area with a mask/face covering until parent/guardian arrives. School procedures to minimize campus entry will be used when sick students are picked up. Always keep current phone numbers on file and have multiple people on the check-out list.
Masks/Face Coverings	Masks/face coverings are mandatory for students. Parents are encouraged to send a clean mask/face covering with their child each day.
Personal Hygiene	Parents are encouraged to send personal hand sanitizer with their child daily.
Water Bottles	Parents are encouraged to send a clean filled water bottle with their child each day. They will be encouraged to have the water bottle filled prior to arrival.
Classroom Distancing/Sanitizing	Classrooms will be arranged to achieve the greatest level of distancing for students. Students will be spaced in classrooms to avoid contact. Cleaning solutions will be available for every classroom. Students will have hand sanitizer available to frequently clean hands. Each classroom will have disinfectant to use to keep student surfaces clean.
Student Check-ins/Check-outs	Each school has a procedure for students to check in and check out that minimizes parent/guardian entry to the building. Students who check in will have their temperatures checked before entering. Students with temperatures 100.4 degrees or above will not be allowed to check in to school. Parents are encouraged to follow all school check-in/check-out procedures, including having identification. Visitors will be restricted.
Student Hallway Travel/Class Change	Students will wear masks/face coverings while making class changes.
Student Nutrition	Students will follow cafeteria guidelines during breakfast and lunch times.
Student – Technology/Sanitizing	In the event of extended virtual attendance, students in grades K-12 will be able to checkout a Chromebook for home use. Chromebooks will be used in the traditional environment with each student assigned a device in the classroom. Students (grades 9-12) will have an

	<p>assigned Chromebook and parents are encouraged to ensure the Chromebook is fully charged and ready for school daily. Sanitize technology devices by spraying a cloth with an alcohol-based solution (do NOT soak cloth, just dampen) and wipe the device. Never spray anything directly onto a technology device. Never use bleach or ammonia products on technology devices. Students will utilize Google Classroom for virtual and traditional instruction. School Status Communications will be utilized for Parent/Teacher communications. Additional blended learning softwares will be utilized by the district. Assistive technologies are available to meet the needs of all students.</p>
Student Mental Health-Whole Child Education	<p>Parents are encouraged to monitor emotional and behavioral changes with their children and communicate their concerns to the schools. Our school district has developed procedures to assist students and parents/guardians with resources to manage student mental health. Risk assessments are administered by behavior counselors upon referral. Counseling is available at each campus to help students deal with mental health issues to include stresses endured during COVID-19.</p>
Teacher/Parent Communication	<p>The district will continue to use School Status Communications as our parent/teacher communication portal. If you are not receiving messages please contact your child's school office to ensure the school has your current phone number and email at all times. It is very important that parents are responsive to our communication and provide feedback when requested. Follow the Wayne County School District Facebook page and website in addition to the School PTO Facebook pages to see additional announcements. Parent-teacher conferences can be arranged through multiple online platforms to minimize the need for in-person contact. Some face-to-face meetings will be required and scheduled.</p>
Attendance Policy	<p>Parents are encouraged to keep their children home when they are ill or not feeling well. Students who must quarantine will be required to provide medical excuses. We are asking that parents notify their school within three hours of a COVID-19 diagnosis. Students who are out will be required to make up all school work. This will require the parents and the school to communicate regarding assignments.</p>