Daily Health & Safety Protocols

Daily Health Assessments

Students and personnel will take their own temperatures before reporting to school and must stay home if above 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit and/or if experiencing other symptoms. Additionally, daily temperature checks will occur upon entry of the school building. Personnel and students who are ill must stay home from school and will be sent home if they become ill at school, particularly if they have COVID-19 symptoms. While waiting to go home, ill persons should continue to wear a face mask and be placed in a separate isolation room overseen by school personnel who are also wearing appropriate PPE.

Physical / Social Distancing

Social distancing will be maximized throughout the school day. Visual cues (i.e. floor markings) will be used to remind students of social distancing protocols. The following specific protocols will be utilized:

- One-way hallways will be marked throughout the building
- Desks/student chairs will be a minimum of 6 feet from each other and the teacher's desk

Face Masks

All persons on school grounds and/or utilizing school transportation will wear an appropriate face covering that includes their mouth and nose. Students and employees will be allowed to go without face coverings (or alternatives) if medical approval is on file with the school. Students may remove their masks to eat, drink, play wind instruments, or engage in vigorous activities in a Physical Education class.

Emphasis on Good Hygiene

Hand sanitizer (60-95% alcohol based) and sanitizing products will be available for personnel and students, especially in high traffic areas, including at each school entrance and in every classroom. Students will be required to use hand sanitizing stations when entering each classroom and upon entering the school. Water fountains will be turned off. Students should bring their own personal water bottles and can refill them throughout the school day.

Employee & Student Training

Education and training regarding COVID-19 school protocols and prevention strategies for all employees and students will be provided.

Visitors

Most visitors will be prohibited during the school day and limited to emergency situations. Scheduled visitors (meetings, admissions visits) will be required to complete a temperature check before entering the building and will be required to wear a face mask for the duration of their visit. A drop box for documents will be placed in the main lobby.

Cleaning & Sanitation

All surfaces will be regularly cleaned and sanitized throughout the day and overnight. Classrooms, bathrooms, hallways, cafeteria, common areas, locker rooms, and offices will be sanitized nightly using electrostatic disinfecting equipment. When a student cohort exits a classroom, the room will be sprayed with disinfectant by the teacher. Students will then wipe their desk down and dispose of the paper towel before each class begins.

Showing Symptoms of COVID-19 at School

Should a student or employee exhibit symptoms while physically attending school in person, he or she will report to a quarantine room. The school health aide and any other personnel interacting with the individual will wear appropriate PPE. Those showing symptoms will be required to go home at the earliest convenience.

Quarantine Policy & Disclosure

Diagnosed or Exposure to COVID-19:

Families and staff must notify the school if they have been exposed to COVID-19, or if a co-habitant has been diagnosed with or medically presumed to have COVID-19. The school will notify the local health department of all cases.

Quarantine and Return to School:

Personnel and students with known exposure to someone with diagnosed or presumed COVID-19 must selfquarantine for 10 days. Students and personnel with confirmed or presumed COVID-19 must meet ALL of these conditions prior to returning to school: 1) Fever is resolved without the use of fever-reducing medication for 72 hours; 2) Respiratory symptoms (cough, shortness of breath) improve; 3) The person has a negative COVID-19 test result and submits a copy of it to the school.