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2021-2022 RETURN TO SCHOOL

Introduction

This guidance comes from the recommendations of the Center for Disease Control (CDC), the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH), and the Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE). **This plan is tentative and may change at any time.** We will begin the 2021-2022 school year with full-day in-person instruction 5 days per week (8:00 a.m. to 3:15 p.m.) with Wednesday dismissals at 2:30 p.m. Students with medical contraindication will be placed on homebound with doctor authorization. Without doctor authorization students will not receive remote services and parents may choose to homeschool their child.

Health/Wellness

- Governor JB Pritzker announced an Executive Order on August 4, 2021, that requires masks be worn indoors by all teachers, staff, students, and visitors to PK-12 schools who are over age two and able to medically tolerate a face covering, regardless of vaccination status, consistent with CDC guidance.” Groups should be 30 feet apart outside, though there are no masking requirements outdoors.
- Temperature checks and symptom screenings will NOT be conducted upon arrival to school each day.
 - By sending your child to school, you are self-certifying all requirements are met to attend school **each day.**
 - Keep children home (or they will be sent home) if they have any of the following:

▪ 100.4 or higher temperature	Cough
▪ Sore throat	Nausea for diarrhea
▪ Vomiting	Shortness of breath
▪ Chills	Muscle aches
▪ Headache	Loss of taste or smell
 - Students may not return to school until fever free for 24 hours without fever-reducing medicine.
- Students and staff fully vaccinated or consistently masked, will not be required to quarantine if in close contact with a COVID-19 positive individual.
- Disinfection and cleaning will continue school wide.

Instruction

- Students placed on quarantine by the local health department will be provided with educational opportunities in a manner convenient for the teacher and the student.
- Live stream instruction will not be required of teachers.
- Student desks will be socially distanced, as possible.

Operations

- Masks must be worn aboard buses per CDC guidance.
- Seating on buses will be assigned.
- Students should only use the water fountain to refill individual drink containers.
- Students are allowed to carry water in closed bottles or containers with sealed lids.
- Frequent and proper handwashing will be encouraged.

- Hand sanitizer will be available in every classroom and in the hallways.
- Social distancing will be maintained in all areas of the school building to the greatest extent possible.
- Cleaning and disinfection will occur nightly using recommendations of IDPH and local health departments.
- Locker rooms will be utilized for PE. Students will wear required PE attire.
- IHSA Guidelines will be followed.