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## SCHOOL REOPENING HEALTH AND SAFETY PLAN – August 1, 2020

### NOTES:

- ***TOTAL REOPENING FOR ALL STUDENTS AND STAFF, FIVE DAYS A WEEK, IN PERSON CLASSES, IN THE BUILDING, WHICH WE ARE PREPARING TO DO SO SAFETY.***
- ***WE ARE DESIGNING OUR CLASSROOMS AND SCHOOL BUILDING FOR SAFE SOCIAL DISTANCING MEASURES***
  - ***FACULTY AND STAFF WILL BE TRAINED IN PROPER CLEANING AND SAFETY MEASURES***
- ***THERE WILL BE EXTENSIVE PROCESSES THAT WILL BE IMPLEMENTED TO ADDRESS SOCIAL DISTANCING, STRATEGIC USE OF MASKS, DAILY CLEANING AND MONITORING OF STUDENTS HEALTH***
- ***WE ARE IMPLEMENTING A PROCESS FOR ENTERING AND EXITING THE BUILDING, LUNCH AND RECESS, MOVEMENT IN THE HALLWAYS AND STAIRWELLS, CLASSROOM SETUP AND USE OF CLASSROOM MATERIALS.***
  - ***WE ARE PREPARED TO IMPLEMENT VIRTUAL LEARNING IF NECESSARY***
- ***A VIRTUAL INSTRUCTION OPTION WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR FAMILIES, VIA GOOGLE CLASSROOM, WHICH WILL BE 100% LIVE STREAMING / VIRTUAL, INTO THE CLASSROOM. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION WILL BE AVAILABLE SHORTLY.***

### HIGHLIGHTS

- **Cleaning, Sanitizing, Disinfecting, and Ventilation**
  - Our school building will be thoroughly cleaned and sanitized during the summer.
  - Cleaning and sanitizing materials will be purchased and meet all the EPA guidelines and will be kept in a secure location away from students.
  - Frequent cleaning and sanitizing will occur throughout the school day, especially any highly touched surfaces, such as doorknobs, light switches, desks, etc.
  - All staff members will be instructed on the proper cleaning methods to be used to keep the building clean and sanitized.
  - Cleaning and sanitizing materials will be provided for each classroom and will be replaced as needed.
  - Hand sanitizing pumps will be placed in the hallways at the front door, in every classroom, cafeteria and gymnasium for easy access for everyone.
- **Social Distancing and Other Safety Protocols**
  - Student desks will be spaced 6 feet apart to ensure social distancing. Desks will be cleaned daily.
  - Teachers will push into the classrooms to teach different subjects, instead of the students moving.
  - Desks will all face in the same direction.
  - All students will be required to have their own supplies to reduce the need to share supplies.
  - Students will have lunch served in the Cafeteria where social distancing measures will be enforced.
  - We implemented a one-to-one technology program for all students. Each student will have their own Chromebook that they will take home daily. Google Classroom will be used.
  - Students will bring their own water bottle to school. Water fountains will not be in use.

- Library books can be checked out. They will be disinfected and put aside for one week increments before being checked out again.
- No assemblies or large gatherings of students. (Virtual assemblies and field trips will be held instead).

● **Monitoring Student and Staff Health**

- We will screen students upon entering the school building using a non-contact thermometer; 100°F or higher indicates a fever.
- Any student exhibiting signs of illness will be sent to the isolation area and parents/guardian is contacted to take the student home or to a healthcare facility. Please reference plan for additional information.
- All areas where the ill student/staff member may have been will be closed off and then completely disinfected after 24 hours (in order to allow all droplets to settle).
- Any students/staff that have had close contact with the ill student/staff member, may be asked to stay home and self-monitor for symptoms. Virtual Learning via Goggle Classroom / Meets will be available for those students.
- Please reference the table on page 29 of our plan for the Exclusion from and Return to School Requirements Form. The table may change dependent upon current local, state and federal guidance.

**1 OR MORE SYMPTOMS**

Fever (100°F or higher)  
Cough  
Shortness of breath  
Difficulty breathing

**2 OR MORE SYMPTOMS**

Lack of smell or taste (w/out congestion)  
Sore throat  
Chills  
Muscle pain  
Headache  
Congestion or runny nose  
Nausea or vomiting  
Diarrhea

● **Other Considerations for Students and Staff**

- Face coverings should be worn by staff and older students as feasible and are most essential in times when physical distancing is difficult. (CDC)
  - Strategic use of masks: Masks will be mandatory in certain situations, such as travel in the hallway, on the bus, classroom situations with non-classroom members, or when travel about the classroom is necessary without effective social distancing.
  - When a child is at his/her desk with his classmates in a socially distant situation, the student may remove his mask. Unless a parent indicates they would like their child to keep their mask on the entire day.
  - Any student who cannot wear a mask or face shield due to a medical condition, including those with respiratory issues that impede breathing, a mental health condition, or disability and students who would be unable to remove a mask without assistance are not required to wear face coverings. A doctor's note will be required for any student who is unable to wear a mask due to a medical condition.
  - Social distancing is 6 feet to the maximum extent possible. In **ANY** situation where the six-foot social distancing is not possible, the students must have masks on.

*As per Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE)*

- Schools should provide face covering breaks throughout the day. Maintain a distance of at least 6 feet during these face covering breaks. Schools may allow students to remove face coverings when students are:
  - Eating or drinking when spaced at least 6 feet apart;
  - Seated at desks or assigned workspaces at least 6 feet apart;
  - Engaged in any activity at least 6 feet apart (e.g., face covering breaks, recess, etc.); or
  - When wearing a face covering creates an unsafe condition in which to operate equipment or execute a task.

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