CLEVELAND METROPOLITAN SCHOOL DISTRICT



COVID-19 Protocols

FACE **COVERINGS**



No face covering, no work, no service, no exceptions. Face coverings are required for staff, students and visitors at all times.

HEALTH ASSESSMENTS



Conduct daily health assessments to determine if those entering buildings are healthy.

GOOD **HYGIENE**



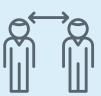
Maintain good hygiene at all times - thorough hand washing and hand sanitizing.

CLEAN & SANITIZE



Clean and sanitize workplaces throughout the workday and at the close of business.

SOCIAL DISTANCING



Limit capacity to meet social distancing guidelines.

- Establish maximum capacity at 50% of fire code.
- Set appointments for visitors when possible to limit congestion in small spaces.

CMSD will take the following actions when a COVID-19 infection is identified

- ✓ Immediately report staff, student or visitor infections to the local health department.
- ✓ Work with local health department to identify potentially exposed individuals to help facilitate appropriate communication/contact tracing.
- ✓ Close facility for deep sanitation, as necessary, to clean and sanitize.
- ✓ Reopen in consultation with the local health department.

Health & Safety Guidelines

Safety Guidelines

CMSD's Planning and Preparation for the Safe Return of CMSD Staff and Students



Classrooms Furniture will be arranged to reflect social distancing guidelines. Classrooms will be cleaned daily, including high-traffic surfaces. Sharing of classroom materials will not be permitted.



Cleaning and Disinfecting Routine cleaning and disinfecting will occur on all CMSD transportation vehicles and in all schools and work stations including classrooms, bathrooms, cafeterias, break rooms and administrative offices. Classrooms, hallways, entrances and exits will also be cleaned daily, including high-traffic surfaces and areas.



Social Distancing will be required in classrooms and District buildings including during lunch and recess and in common areas. CMSD defines social distancing as a space of 6 feet between two people, in accordance with public health officials.



Face Coverings will be required for all staff and students in Grades PreK-12 throughout the day – some exceptions will apply. Face masks will be provided for teachers and students.



Water Schools will be stocked with bottled water for students to eliminate the use of water fountains. Students are advised not to bring their own refillable water bottles to school.



Handwashing/Hand Sanitizing Frequent hand washing will occur throughout the school day. Hand sanitizing stations will be available in all CMSD buildings and schools, including all classrooms.



Transportation Capacity on school buses will be limited to ensure social distancing. Face coverings must be worn on CMSD buses – some exceptions may be made for special populations, as needed. Seating and bus capacity will follow social distancing guidelines. All RTA riders are required to wear face coverings.



Meals will be distributed in individual packaging. Students are likely to eat inside classrooms except in schools where social distancing can be maintained inside the cafeteria. At this time, traditional water fountains will not be accessible.

Health & Safety Guidelines

What To Expect In A Hybrid Learning Environment

When students and staff return to their school building, they will notice a lot of changes with how things are set up and how things will operate.

Classroom doors will be propped open to allow proper ventilation.

Classes will be held outdoors when possible and appropriate.

Physical Education, choir, band, orchestra and other large classes will be reorganized to allow for smaller class sizes and social distancing.



School Uniforms

- Uniforms are not required during Hybrid Learning.
- Students should dress appropriately for school.



Technology

- CMSD has enabled one-to-one technology for all students (one device per student).
- Devices will continue to be distributed to support high-quality learning both in school and at home.
- Mobile hot spots continue to be available for students who need Internet access.



Physical Education

- Physical contact activities will be prohibited.
- Activities will include exercising, running/walking, jump roping, etc.
- Social distancing guidelines will be followed.
- All equipment will be cleaned before and after each use.



Recess

- Social distancing will be maintained.
- In some instances, only one group of students will be on the playground at a time.



School Transportation

- Face coverings are required on all vehicles
- Students will be assigned a seat.
- Buses will be disinfected at the end of every route.



Extracurricular Activities

- All afterschool clubs and non-competitive activities should be converted to online formats, i.e., student council, chess, art club, etc.
- High school athletics will follow ODE and OHSAA guidelines, while K-8 athletics have been canceled.
- Cheer, band, dance, etc. can occur, but performances may not have audiences. Performances that occur at high school games can be pre-recorded and shown virtually.

District Events

Large group activities such as open houses, back-to-school nights and assemblies will be converted to virtual formats.

Visit ClevelandMetroSchools.org for up-to-date information on the reopening of schools and for guidance documents and resources available to students and families.