

Switzerland
of Ohio Local School District



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Switzerland of Ohio Local Schools: Returning to Learning

Information regarding
health and safety
protocols.

Additional details about
virtual learning,
extracurriculars, and more
to be released soon.





LEVEL 1 & 2

IN SCHOOL WITH REMOTE LEARNING AND INCREASED CAUTIONS



No visitors in buildings, unless emergency.
Parents may drop off emergency items only.



Temperatures

All students, caregivers, staff, non-staff, and volunteers' temperatures will be screened prior to entering any school building using designated entrance(s).

Stay home if temperature is above 100° F.



Symptom Assessment

It is essential that students (and their caregivers), staff, and volunteers conduct daily health checks PRIOR to coming to school. **Keep your child home if they have any of the following symptoms:**

- Fever or chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- Loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea



Symptoms at School

If a student, staff, or volunteer begins to show symptoms or has a temperature above 100° F while at school, they must immediately ensure their face is covered properly, be separated from others, and be monitored by a staff member wearing personal protective equipment (PPE) who maintains physical distance when possible.

- Parents/guardians must pick up ill students as soon as possible after being notified.



Return to School

- Staff, volunteers, support workers, and students who have suspected or confirmed COVID-19 cannot return to school until they meet CDC criteria for return to work/school.
- Students/staff excluded for virus symptoms will follow state and local health department guidelines and may be out for 10 days or more, depending on current guidelines.



Facial Coverings

- At minimum, facial coverings (masks) should be cloth/fabric and cover an individual's nose, mouth, and chin.
- All school staff and volunteers must wear face coverings unless it is unsafe to do so or where doing so would significantly interfere with the learning process.
- It is recommended that students K-12 wear facial coverings.

EXCEPTIONS INCLUDE:

- Facial coverings in the school setting are prohibited by law or regulation.
- Facial coverings are not advisable for health reasons.
- Facial coverings are in violation of the school's documented safety policies.
- Facial coverings are not required when a staff member is working alone in an assigned work area.
- Unless they are unable to do so for a documented health or developmental reason.
- Students may remove their face covering while eating or drinking when appropriate social distancing is in place, as determined by school personnel.



Facial Coverings (cont.)

- Face shields that wrap around the face and extend below the chin may be considered as an alternative where cloth facial coverings would hinder the learning process. Some situations where face shields would be useful include:
 - When interacting with students, such as those with disabilities, where communication could be impacted.
 - When interacting with English-language learners or when teaching a foreign language.
 - Settings where cloth facial coverings may present a safety hazard (i.e., science labs).
 - For individuals who have documented difficulty wearing a cloth facial covering.
- All facial covering designs must comply with the School Dress Code.
- The school will work to reduce any social stigma for a student who, for medical or developmental reasons, cannot or should not wear a facial covering.



Social Distancing

- School staff should, whenever possible, maintain 6-foot social distance among students, staff, and volunteers in all school environments, including classrooms, hallways, restrooms, cafeteria, playground, drop-off and pick-up locations, and school buses.
- Students must respect visual distancing cues such as floor markings and signs.
- Students must avoid using shared materials, supplies, or spaces.
- Locker usage will be limited and determined by building administrator.



Sanitation and PPE

- Staff and students are expected to wash and sanitize hands often to prevent virus spread. Hands should be washed for at

least 20 seconds when dirty, before and after eating, and after using the restroom.

- To supplement handwashing, hand sanitizer (60% to 95% alcohol-based) will be used at entrances to buildings and classrooms.
- Students and staff share responsibility for building cleanliness.
- Students shall be encouraged and supervised in wiping down desks, door handles, and learning supplies, as age- and safety-appropriate.

RESTROOMS

- Student access shall be managed to ensure an appropriate number of people in the restroom at any given time.
- Bathrooms shall be cleaned and sanitized frequently.

WATER FOUNTAINS

- Water fountains shall not be available; students are encouraged to carry water bottles.
- No-touch water bottle fillers will be installed to refill bottles.

BUSES

- Buses will be disinfected between routes.
- Students are expected to wear facial coverings and maintain social distancing by staying in their assigned seats.



Training and Education

Staff and students shall be trained in the following, as appropriate for age:

- Symptoms of COVID-19
- Preventing cross contamination
- When to stay home
- Social distancing
- PPE use including cloth masks/face shields, and glove use.



Training and Education (cont.)

- Safety protocols
- Procedures for reporting illness
- Building specific mitigation processes
- Social Emotional Health for self and for students: assistance and resources

PARENTS SHALL BE TRAINED IN:

- Symptoms of COVID-19

- School Processes and Procedures
- When to keep your child home
- Fever
- COVID-19 symptoms
- What to do when your child is sick at school
- Reporting illnesses
- Mask use, cleaning and care

LEVEL 3 & 4

ALL REMOTE LEARNING

Continue Level 1 & 2 for those who enter a building, plus:

- Only essential staff reports to work.
- Teachers do not report to buildings but will continue to engage students through remote learning.



***** Please note: this document is a work in progress as more information is received from the state and approved by the Board of Education. Please look for additional details that will be released over the next few weeks. *****