GOAL

The goal of the updated "Learning by Design" plan is to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 so that school buildings will remain open and students will continue to learn in person five days a week.

Levels of COVID-19 Community Spread

For 2022-2023, the Douglas County School System will recognize three levels of community spread of COVID-19 within our schools. Data is obtained from the number of positive cases reported by schools each week.

Low Spread

Positive rate of 0-2% Schools open 5 days a week

Face Covering Optional in Buildings and on Buses

Moderate Spread Positive rate of 2-4.9% Schools open 5 days a week

Face Covering Optional in Buildings and on Buses



Positive rate of 5% or more Schools open 5 days a week

Face Covering Optional in Buildings and on Buses



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PLEASE NOTE:

If, at any time, the number of staff members who are isolated makes it impossible to conduct class in person or transport students to school, we may move a class, grade level, or school to digital learning for a limited time.

Learning Plan & Safety Guidance

The following will be implemented for all levels of spread as long as COVID-19 is a concern in our community.

ACADEMICS

Traditional learning in person five days a week Online options: FLEX Academy and FLEX Live-Online (FLEX programs have a defined enrollment window.)

PHYSICAL DISTANCING

Students and staff should physically distance themselves when possible.

CLEANING

High touch areas will be cleaned throughout the day. Areas will be fogged in the event of COVID-19 cases.

OTHER PREVENTION STRATEGIES

Students and staff should:

- remain home if experiencing any COVID-19 symptoms
- practice good hand hygiene by washing hands frequently and/or using hand sanitizer often
- cover coughs and sneezes
- not share eating utensils
- not drink after others
- bring a water bottle to refill at the water stations

REPORTING PROCEDURES

Parents, guardians and staff must report all positive tests to a school administrator. Letters will be sent home if a cluster of three or more are identified within a class/bus space.

ISOLATION

Students and staff who test positive must be isolated for five days from the start of symptoms or a positive test for COVID-19. Masks must be worn for five additional days once they return to school/work.

VACCINE GUIDANCE

The COVID-19 vaccine is strongly encouraged for all eligible individuals.

TESTING

Students and staff in need of COVID-19 testing may contact Cobb & Douglas Public Health or their healthcare provider.