

## **School Opening Information for Parents & Students**

We plan to offer in person, on campus instruction with adjustments due to the requirements of COVID-19 circumstances. We will move to remote learning, or possibly a hybrid of in person and remote, if directed to by the Virginia Department of Health or by our state governor.

### **At Home**

- Parents should perform a daily health screening for their children and keep them home if there are any signs or symptoms of illness.
- Symptoms of concern are fever, new cough or shortness of breath, new sore throat, new chills or muscle aches, and new loss of taste or smell.
- Student must be symptom free for 24 hours before returning to school.

### **Arrival**

- Students should not arrive on campus prior to 7:45 AM unless absolutely necessary due to work schedule of parents.
- If students arrive on campus before 7:45 AM, they must report to the school cafeteria for a temperature check using a forehead scan thermometer. If temperature is acceptable, students will stay in the cafeteria until 7:45 AM.
- If students arrive on campus after 7:45 AM, a temperature check will be done in the morning car line using a forehead scan thermometer. If temperature is acceptable, students will go directly to their home room class.

### **Physical Distancing**

- MS/HS class changes – students will be sent to lockers a few at a time
- Brewin Building – East stairwell is designated for “Down” traffic and the West stairwell is designated for “Up” traffic.
- Classes have been configured and student numbers limited to allow three feet of distance between students. Classes with a smaller number of students will have more distance between students.
- Classes for 8<sup>th</sup> grade will be held in the Youth House. These students will not have access to hall lockers but will have a place to store their books.
- Grades 6 and 7 were capped to allow for all students to be in the classroom with the teacher.
- Most high school classes will allow for more than three feet of distancing between students, but a few classes will only allow the minimum of three feet of distancing between students.

## **Face Masks/Coverings**

- Optional for students ages 9 and younger.
- Required for students ages 10 and older when in hallways and when in classrooms if 6' of physical distancing is not possible. We have purchased clear & reusable face shields for students age 10 and older to wear in classrooms in place of face masks.
- Required by teachers and staff when 6' of physical distancing is not possible

## **Resource Classes**

- Schedules will be modified or number of students will be reduced to allow for physical distancing.
- Music classes will be held in the church sanctuary.

## **Recess & Physical Education**

- Elementary students will have daily recess but the schedule has been adjusted so they will only interact with students in their class.
- Middle and high school students will have Physical Education classes. Activities will be adjusted to focus on individual fitness and skills. Locker room use will be staggered to allow for physical distancing.
- Face masks are not required during recess or physical education classes.
- Sophomores: Driver education and first aid training will take place during the Second and Third Quarters. Students will be divided into two groups.

## **Water**

- Students should bring bottled water to drink during the school day
- Water fountains will be closed to students except for bottle fill stations

## **Lunch**

- Pre-school students will eat lunch in their classrooms.
- Elementary
  - Grades 1 & 2 in cafeteria from 11:00 – 11:25 AM
  - Grades 3 - 5 in cafeteria from 11:30 – 11:55 AM
- Middle School students in the cafeteria
- High School students in the gymnasium
- Cafeteria microwave ovens will not be available to students

## **Dismissal**

- Pre-school pick up will be in the back gravel parking lot
- Elementary classes will be spaced apart on the two sidewalks
- Middle and high school students will be asked to distance themselves while waiting in afternoon carline.

### **Visitors / Volunteers**

- Visitors to the school will be greatly restricted and volunteer opportunities will be very limited. Face masks or coverings are required.
- Parents are asked to conduct as much school business as possible from home or via telephone to limit the number of people coming to the school office.

### **Virus Protocol**

- If a student shows COVID-19 symptoms they should not come to school. Please call to inform the school office.
- If COVID-19 is present in your household, parents are required to notify the school. Students in the home will be restricted from school attendance for 14 days based on CDC quarantine guidance. Arrangements will be made to provide academic support as best as possible.

### **Activity Participation Agreement**

- Based on the guidance of our insurance company, an Activity Participation Agreement must be completed and signed prior to a student attending school.
- If the student has two parents or guardians, both must sign the document.