

CARLISLE HIGH SCHOOL

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Carlisle Students, Parents, & Community Members:

I hope this letter finds you healthy and enjoying our extended summer break. As most of you know at this point, Governor Hutchinson pushed back the start date for the 2020 - 2021 school year to August 24th. Here at Carlisle High School, we are working very diligently to create plans for all scenarios that could possibly happen this year due to Covid-19. One idea you can count on here at the high school is that we will be positive through this process. Will it be easy, no, but we will all get through it together.

First and foremost, Carlisle School District will follow and implement all guidelines and directives set forth by the Governor of the State of Arkansas, the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, as well as the Arkansas Department of Health. Please understand that these guidelines and directives are very fluid and could change very quickly. We will quickly make changes to our plans as needed.

It is our goal at Carlisle High School to ensure the health and safety of all of our students and staff while starting school in this ongoing health crisis. Within this document you will be able to better understand what the school day will look like during the upcoming school year.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact Megan Aukes or myself through email or here at the high school office.

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First Day of School

Monday, August 24, 2020 (as of July 28, 2020)

First Week of School

At the high school, we will be spending the first week of face to face instruction explaining to all of our students what digital learning will look like in the event we have positive cases and students must miss while in quarantine or if we are forced to shut down school for a period of time.

Face Coverings

On July 16, 2020, Governor Asa Hutchinson signed EO 20-43, an Executive Order for the Purpose of Requiring Face Coverings. Face coverings will be required for all students in grades 7 - 12 as well as all staff members. The only time a face covering will not be required is while a student is eating, drinking, participating in physical education, or extracurricular activities.

Carlisle School District will provide each student with two washable masks if they do not have one of their own. All masks will be required to meet the Carlisle High School Dress Code (school appropriate).

No student, guardian, or citizen will be allowed on campus without a mask. Any student that refuses to wear a mask could be removed to the all digital learning platform.

Temperature Check

All students riding school transportation will have their temperatures checked as they enter the bus. All students driving or being brought to school will have their temperatures checked before allowed into the building. Any student with a temperature of 100.4 degrees or higher will be required to leave campus. Any student with a fever will be required to be out of school until they are fever free for 48 hours without medicine. Our district Point of Contact will be in contact with the parent or guardian that day about how to proceed for reentry to school.

Any parent, guardian, or visitor will be required to have their temperature checked before entering into the building.

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Breakfast Service

This year students will enter into the cafeteria after exiting the bus, being dropped off, or driving themselves to school. The biggest difference that will be seen is if you're not eating breakfast you must stay outside of the building or enter into the gym and sit on the visitors side of the bleachers. Those students entering into the cafeteria will enter into the serving line and pick up their to-go tray and then continue on to sit into a seat. All seats in our cafeteria will be at least 3 feet apart.

Lunch Service

Lunch will be served in the cafeteria. We have socially distanced our seats to give at least 3 feet between all seats. Students will be allowed to sit outside as long as they can stay 3 feet apart. Students will also be allowed to eat in teachers classes in order to keep our students as separated as possible. Lunch will be served in to-go trays with all utensils inside the tray. We will have two lines during junior and senior high lunch periods. We will have a hot line and a sandwich line. The sandwich line will consist of hamburgers, chicken sandwiches, etc. Again, the students will get no choice in what comes in the tray only which line they decide to get in. Everyday during first period students will be asked by their first period teacher if they want a tray from the hot line or the sandwich line.

Cafeteria Spacing

We have set up our cafeteria with tables and chairs at least 3 feet apart. In some cases they are as far as 6 feet. This will not allow students to gather like they are accustomed to at certain tables; there will never be more than 4 students at one table. Students will also be able to eat outside while practicing social distancing, and some teachers will allow students into their classrooms during lunch.

Morning Arrival

This year will look different for drop off zones. All buses will drop off students at the front of the school. Students exiting buses will have already had their temperatures checked when entering the bus. Their mask will be on already, as all students riding a bus are required to wear a mask. So, these students will go through the front doors and walk to the cafeteria for breakfast, outside by picnic areas, or the visitor side of the bleachers if they are not eating.

No car rider or a student that drives themselves will be allowed in the building before 7:30 am each morning. For car riders the drop off area will be the same as years past. The differences being

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all drop offs must be in front of the awning going into the cafeteria. No student can be dropped off in the parking lot. Students are to stay in the vehicle until they get to the awning. Once the car is stopped at the awning, the student will get out (with a face covering on) and meet our nurse for their temperature to be checked. The parent or guardian will be required to stay until the student is allowed to enter the building. Any student with a temperature of 100.4 will not be allowed into school. These students will be required to get back in the vehicle and leave. Our district Point of Contact will be in contact with the parent or guardian that day about how to proceed for reentry to school.

Students that drive themselves will be allowed to park in their parking spots. They will be required, as well, to have their face covering on upon exiting their vehicle. They will then walk to our nurse for their temperature check. If their temperature is 100.4 degrees or higher, they will be required to leave campus. Our district Point of Contact will be in contact with the parent or guardian that day about how to proceed for reentry to school.

Afternoon Departure

This will look the same as years past. Bus pickup will be on the north side of the school. Car rider pick up will be on the south side of the school. Again, there is no car rider pickup on the driveway in front of the school. You must pick up students on Raborn Rd.

Daily Schedule

The daily schedule will not change; we will still continue to have 8 period days and dismiss at 3:20. Items that will change are how we handle transitional times, lockers, sick students, room cleanings, restrooms usage, water fountains, and classroom spacing.

Transitional Times & Hallways

This year our transition times will stay the same. However, students will see quickly that our hallways will be different. We will have tape down the middle of every hallway. In order to help prevent students bumping into each other and to try to provide as much social distancing as possible, we will split the hallways in order for foot traffic to be orderly and in the same directions. Students will be able to easily see which direction they must walk in. We will have signs and arrows pointing in the correct direction located in the hallways and on the floor. Administration and teachers will be in the hallways making sure that the hallways are orderly and students are practicing social distancing as best as possible.

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Lockers

Lockers will not be in use this year. Students will need to get a sturdy backpack. We will not be allowing lockers in order to keep students from gathering in large groups in the hallways. Teachers will be keeping books in their classrooms and creating a signout sheet any time a book needs to go home with a student.

Student Sick at School

The Carlisle School District will be employing 2 full time nurses starting this school year. There will be a nurse stationed at the elementary and high school respectively. We will have a designated area near the nurses office (secluded from other students or rooms) where students will be sent if they show any symptoms of any type of sickness. Any students that have a temperature of 100.4 degrees or show any symptoms will be required to be symptom free for 48 hours before returning to school. Our district's Point of Contact will continually be in contact with the parent or guardian of each student that is sick or sent home. It is our district's recommendation that any student sick or with symptoms be tested for Covid-19 as soon as possible.

Please understand if students get sick, we cannot tell other students, parents or guardians which student it was.

Positive Case for Covid-19 from a Student, Staff, or Visitor Protocol

The Carlisle School District will follow all protocol set forth by the Arkansas Department of Health. The Arkansas Department of Health will advise all districts on how to proceed with positive cases. The Carlisle School District, in conjunction with the Arkansas Department of Health, will make decisions on any school closures due to positive cases. Our district Point of Contact will be in contact with the Arkansas Department of Health School Covid-19 hotline for any contract tracing that may occur.

Please understand if any of the above tests positive, we are not able to give names of anyone. If you or your child was a close contact, you will be contacted by our Point of Contact or a Department of Health Contact Tracer.

Restroom Usage

In order to prevent a large number in restrooms, teachers will be very strict on allowing students bathroom passes. Staff members will understand there are emergencies and adapt appropriately.

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Campus & Classroom Cleaning & Sanitizing Materials

Carlisle School District will have day porters as well as night porters. These porters will be there to make sure all student areas are well cleaned and sanitized regularly throughout the day. Each classroom will be stocked with hand sanitizer and clorox wipes. When students walk into a room, they will be required to wipe their hands with hand sanitizer, as well as use a clorox wipe to wipe their desk down. There are hand sanitizer dispensers located throughout the high school building and in each classroom.

Water Station

We have installed a water station that will fill up a water bottle. This will be in use instead of using communal water fountains. Students are asked to bring clear water bottles from home in order to have water throughout the day.

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