

SKYLINE SCHOOLS 2020-21
PLAN of OPERATION DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC
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This plan will be updated as new information regarding local, state and national recommendations to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 is distributed to schools. As the rate of infection changes in Pratt County and within the school district, consultation with the Pratt County Health Department, KDHE and CDC will result in the addition or reduction of the restrictions outlined in this plan.

COVID-19 SKYLINE LEADERSHIP TEAM

- The leadership team represents administration, safety, technology, health and wellness. This team is closely connected with several Pratt County and State of Kansas agencies.

MASKS

- According to Executive Order 20-59, face masks are required of all students, staff and guests.
- Exemptions to the order will be provided as required by the executive order.
- Masks must cover the nose, mouth and fit snugly around the face.

STUDENT/STAFF HEALTH CARE & MONITORING

- Each day before the start of school students are screened by parents or school personnel for symptoms of COVID-19.
- Staff are expected to take their temperature and screen for COVID-19 symptoms before coming to the school.
- Anyone with a temperature of 100 degrees or over will not be allowed to be at school.
- Skyline works with PCHD and PRMC to provide COVID-19 testing.
- Students and staff who have been out due to illness may not return to school until they have been fever free, without the use of medications, for 72 hours.
- Students and staff who exhibit other symptoms of COVID-19 may be asked to remain home for a longer length of time, depending on the symptoms they are experiencing. This will be handled on an individual basis.
- Frequent hand washing and sanitizing will occur throughout the day.
- The Families First Coronavirus Response Act ensures all employees a one-time-only, 10 day, paid leave for a COVID-19 quarantine. In order for the COVID-19 patient to receive this aid, their health status must be confirmed with a positive test.

QUARANTINE

- If a positive case of COVID-19 is identified among students or staff the district will cooperate with the Pratt County Health Department to follow the protocol they have established regarding contact tracing and quarantines. This includes the quarantine of members of the household and individuals who are determined to be close contacts based on contact tracing.
- When an individual is presumed to be positive for COVID-19 based on the leadership team's knowledge of symptoms, the situation is treated the same as if they tested positive for COVID-19. The individual will be encouraged, but not required to have a COVID-19 test. Unless a negative test reveals otherwise, the individual will be presumed to be positive and will require quarantines of members of the household and individuals who are determined to be close contacts based on contact tracing.
- A quarantine room has been established as a place for students who show symptoms of COVID-19 while they wait to be picked up.

VISITORS

- Visitors are not allowed in the building, with few exceptions for individuals providing essential goods and services. All visitors must wear a mask and be screened.

ARRIVAL / DISMISSAL PROCEDURES

- School will start at 7:45 a.m. and end at 3:25 p.m.
- To the extent which it is possible, school will remain in session everyday for all students opting for in-person learning.
- All students will go directly to their homeroom or first hour class when they arrive at school.
- A staggered arrival/release of students will begin at 7:30/3:15.
- Students will be assigned entry and exit doors.

INSTRUCTION

- All teachers will maintain a "Google Site" for their content area &/or grade level. The Google Site will be posted on the Skyline website and updated weekly at minimum. This site will provide information about what the student is expected to learn, daily lessons, assignments, resources, and assessments.

STABLE GROUPING & SCHEDULING

- PK-5 students will stay with the same cohort group, in the same classroom with the exception of band (5th only), PE, lunch and recess.
- MS (6-8th) students will move from classroom to classroom with intentional efforts made to reduce close contact with other students. Eighth graders who are taking Algebra I at the high school will attend Algebra I with high school students.
- Lockers will not be used.

- If the COVID-19 situation worsens in Pratt County and/or the school district can no longer safely accommodate all students attending school everyday, the district leaders will put into place a schedule that requires students to attend either the morning or afternoon session, on-site at the school. Students will be grouped into A.M. and P.M. groups according to bus routes and households

SET-UP OF CLASSROOMS / LEARNING COMMONS / OFFICES

- Plexiglass barriers have been installed where needed.
- Classroom furnishings are limited to those with slick surfaces that can be sanitized.
- Classrooms will be set up in a manner where all students face the same direction.
- Classroom work areas are being spread out to allow for social distancing.
- Outdoor learning areas will be utilized as much as possible.
- PK-8th will be provided multiple opportunities for recess outdoors with their grade level. Students will need to be prepared for all seasons and dress appropriately for the weather.

CLEANING

- Additional equipment and supplies have been purchased to disinfect and sanitize.
- All areas used by students will be cleaned more frequently during the school hours.

FOOD SERVICE

- K-8 students who are eating a school breakfast are to enter through the front lobby doors. They will pick up their brown bag breakfast and take it to their classroom. High school students will pick up their breakfast as they transition classes at 9:30.
- Students will eat lunch with a cohort group in assigned seats.

TRANSPORTATION

- The busses and school vehicles will be disinfected frequently.
- The bus driver and all students riding the busses and school vehicles must wear masks.
- Bus riders will sit in assigned seats.

ATHLETICS/ACTIVITIES

- The administrators, athletic director, and coaches will follow the protocol established by KSHSAA, unless the Skyline Board of Education adopts more restrictive guidelines.
- When traveling to and from events, all students on the bus will wear masks.
- Competition may be cancelled in areas where there has been an increasing spread of COVID &/or if there are cases reported within the opposing school.
- The numbers of spectators at events will be limited.
- Spectators will wear masks, comply with social distancing and sit in family units.
- An athlete screening plan will be developed by the administration, athletic director and nurse and distributed to visiting teams.
- No intentional physical contact, such as handshakes, high fives, etc.