

# **RETURN TO LEARN 2020**

## **BOSWELL PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

- I. District Leadership Team
  - A. Members
    1. Rick Grimes – Principal
    2. Susannah Bodine – Special Education
    3. Stephanie Phillips – WIDA
    4. LeeAnn Caldwell – Elementary
    5. Tiffany Britt – Middle School
    6. Stormie Dawson – High School
    7. Tamara Eastwood – Registered Nurse
  - B. Duties
    1. Adopt health and safety protocols, including coordination in the event of closures or disruptions to learning
    2. Determine policies to be reviewed or adopted
    3. Review district information technology (IT) and connectivity plans for student access to curriculum for continuous learning
    4. Develop and implement a family and community communication plan
  
- II. Daily Screening
  - A. Parents screening using provided checklist. If parents send their children to school, they are certifying them as healthy.
  - B. Staff also screens themselves. If they come to work, they are certifying they screened themselves.
  - C. Staff will take all students' temperatures in the morning. This will be done before they get on the bus and before they enter into school buildings.
  
- III. Morning Procedures
  - A. Elementary
    1. All students will have a temperature check in the morning before they enter the cafeteria.
    2. After lower elementary is finished eating, they will be taken to the old gym to help social distancing.

## B. High School and Junior High

1. Keep high school at the top pavilion and the middle school in the lower covered cement to help with social distancing.
2. Students will be released at different times to go to the doors for the temperature check to avoid congregating in a crowd.

## C. Parents

1. Parents will only be allowed in the high school office to avoid exposure to students. Access to other building will have to go through the principal's office.
2. Tardy students will have to be brought to the office for a temperature check before they will be allowed to enter the buildings or classes.

## IV. At School Procedures

A. If a student has a fever of 100 degrees or higher, they will be instantly isolated in a predetermined isolation room and sent home immediately.

1. Elementary – in upper elementary, isolation room is the first room on the right as you enter the north doors
2. Secondary – isolation room is the old Spanish room in the junior high
3. Support staff will be called to stay with student until they go home.
4. Room will be sanitized after that student leaves.

B. After being sent home, the student or staff member cannot return to school until one of the following criteria is met:

1. Without COVID testing, the student or staff member must not be present at school for 10 days since symptoms first appear and they must be symptom free for 10 days.
2. If there is a negative test, it must have been given within 48 hours of the day of the return and the person may return after seven days if they are symptom free.
3. If a student is taken to the doctor and diagnosed for something other than COVID-19 causing the fever (i.e. flu or strep, etc.), a student may return with a doctor's note showing this and 24 hours of being fever free with no fever reducing medication.
4. The student will become a distance learner at home until he/she can return to school.
5. The student will be counted present because distance learning will be provided.

- V. Positive case or suspected case at school
  - A. If someone is exhibiting symptoms, they will be isolated, sent home immediately and encouraged to be tested.
  - B. Without COVID testing, the student or staff member must not be present at school for 10 days since symptoms first appear and they must be symptom free for 10 days.
  - C. If there is a negative test, it must have been given within 48 hours of the day of the return and the person may return after seven days if they are symptom free.
  - D. If someone has been exposed to a person with COVID-19, they should stay home for 14 days.
  - E. If symptoms are shown, the student will be immediately sent to the isolation room and sent home immediately.
    - 1. The elementary class of the student showing symptoms will use hand sanitizer and then go to the computer lab to do their work. The classroom will be closed off while the room is cleaned and sanitized. After being sanitized, the class may return to the classroom so the computer lab can be disinfected.
    - 2. If the student showing symptoms is in the high school or junior high, all students will be taken outside while the entire building is cleaned and sanitized. Students and faculty may return after the process is complete.
    - 3. School administrators should notify local health officials, staff and families.
  
- VI. Many Cases
  - A. Go to distance learning as a school if it reaches a 35% absenteeism rate of the students that are physically attending school.
  - B. District will go into distance learning for 14 days. The count starts on the first day of distance learning.
  - C. Grab and Go meals will be provided starting day one of distance learning.
  
- VII. Requirements of All Teachers
  - A. Maximize classroom space
  - B. Use social distancing for students whenever possible
  - C. All seating in one direction
  - D. Seating charts required to ensure social distancing

## VIII. Bus Transportation

- A. Recommend alternate transportation if possible
- B. Temperatures will be taken before the student gets on the bus
  1. If the student has a temperature, the student will be sent back to the house if someone is home.
  2. If someone is not at the house
    - a. The bus driver will contact school administration.
    - b. Determination will be made at that time what will be the safest alternative for all students involved.
- C. Maximize air flow
- D. Seating chart required

## IX. Distance Learning

- A. Distance learning will be used by all teachers K-12.
- B. Distance learning will be available from the first day of school for families who are hesitant about sending their children to school.
- C. Students will have to do either distance learning or in class. There will be no taking some classes at school and some at home.
- D. Students doing distance learning will not be available for AR trips or any field trips.
- E. Students using distance learning are still Boswell students and will be able to do extra-curricular activities.
- F. Students may switch from distance learning to being physically present at school or vice versa one time per semester.
- G. Enrichment Fridays
  1. Enrichment Fridays will be extra work given to the student to do on Fridays.
  2. This will be done to help students recover from a loss of learning last spring.
  3. Enrichment Fridays will be a learning opportunity for our students all year long.

## X. Distance Learning Eligibility

- A. Boswell Public School will no longer have a virtual option for students that are failing virtually. Although some students are succeeding and doing well in the BPS virtual program, many students are disengaged in instruction and continually neglect to complete

required assignments. This outcome is unacceptable for Boswell students.

- B. Boswell Public School has an obligation to appropriately educate its students, even in the middle of a pandemic. Boswell teachers have worked to provide the best education for both the in-class and the virtual students. It has become apparent that some students are failing to satisfy the basic requirements of this virtual program and consequently, are not receiving the benefits of a Boswell Public School education.
- C. BPS is not taking away virtual learning. The school will still offer virtual learning to those students that are applying themselves and having success with this model of instructional delivery. Virtual learning will also be available to those students that demonstrate a medical need to remain in remote instruction. The District will consider and approve those requests as necessary.
- D. This decision is made with the best interests of our students, teachers, and school community in mind. We do not want to see any student fail and have to repeat a class. We appreciate the understanding of everyone affected by this change.