



Mooreland Public Schools

Return to Learn Safely Plan

2020-2021

For Students & Families

Overview



The 2020-2021 school year is fast approaching. Many Mooreland students are excited to get back to school and into a regular routine. Many parents may be less excited as we face many uncertainties with the COVID-19 virus.

The well-being of our students and staff is our top priority. We are highly aware regulations and situations concerning COVID-19 are changing daily.

MPS has been working hard to establish some safety procedures and precautions to put in place to help create the safest school environment possible. The Return to School Safety Plan we now have in place will be flexible and change as local and state health conditions change.

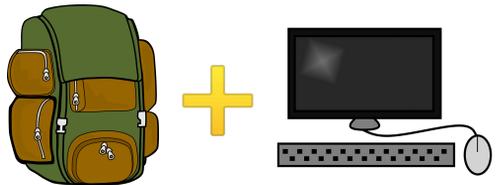
We will communicate any changes through OneCall, our school website, social media, and emails. The MPS COVID team will continue to meet and discuss changes for this plan.

Please remember that we have never before experienced anything like this in schools. We appreciate your flexibility, support and above all else, patience.

Our learning options will include:



**Traditional
in-person learning**



Distance learning environment

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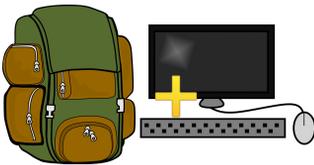
Learning Pathways



Traditional in-person learning



- All classes will be taken on the school campus during the regularly scheduled time
- Students will have in-person instruction with a traditional academic school day
- Elective and athletic classes will continue as scheduled
- Faculty and staff will use Google Classroom during traditional learning to create an easier transition to distance learning
- Traditional will be the main pathway of instruction until distance learning is needed



Distance learning environment

- Mooreland Public Schools will determine when a transition to distance learning needs to occur
- Students that are experiencing illness of any kind may utilize distance learning as needed
- Distance learning will be available to all students as needed; school will provide computers for students
- A \$25 per student electronic device fee (no more than \$50 for a family of two) will be charged to help with upkeep
- Coursework will be via Google Classroom with teachers on-site during regular school hours to help students with lessons and assignments
- Paper packets may be utilized in lower grades

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Parent/Student/Staff Responsibilities



The effectiveness of our COVID-19 Return to School Safely Plan relies on each individual's personal responsibility to honestly monitor his or her health. Returning to school may mean that students and staff may be exposed to the COVID-19 virus.

Mooreland Public School administration strongly recommends some guidelines and a self-assessment routine to help parents, students and staff assess health each day.

Daily Health Self-Assessment Procedure

Exposure:

Have you been within 6 feet or had direct contact with a lab-confirmed or suspected case of COVID-19 in the past 14 days?

- Yes
- No

***If you answered YES do NOT come to school. Parent/guardian or staff member should contact the school office.**

Symptoms:

If you have any of the following symptoms, speak to your health care professional, school staff and **DO NOT COME TO CAMPUS** until 48 hours after you are free of fever and symptoms or respiratory infection (not allergies or asthma), without the use of fever-reducing medications. This applies regardless of whether you have been tested for COVID-19 or not.

- Fever (Please check temperature daily before coming to campus. Temperature should be below 100 degrees F.
- New cough
- New shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- New chills
- New muscle aches
- Sore throat
- Headache
- Diarrhea
- New loss of taste or smell

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MPS Practices



Student physical health

- Every student and staff member **MUST** perform the daily health assessment at home each morning.
- No student with a temperature of 100 degrees or higher may enter ANY MPS building
- Students may utilize distance learning after showing 2 or more days of symptoms.
- If a student actively engages in the distance learning environment and completes their assignments, they will not receive an absence.
- Students exhibiting fever or other symptoms of COVID-19 will be isolated and parents will be required to pick their student up.
- **Families are STRONGLY encouraged to begin establishing their secondary childcare plans in the event of extended student absence or during periods of campus closure.**

Our mask policy

- Our mask policy will be determined by the COVID committee members at monthly meetings and may change with state guidelines.

Student exposure notification

- In the event a student has a positive diagnosis of COVID-19, Woodward County Health Department will begin the contact tracing process.
- Per Oklahoma State Department of Health protocol, only students who are identified as being within 6 feet of the diagnosed person for fifteen minutes or more will be notified of possible exposure.
- Due to confidentiality regulations, Mooreland Public Schools will not release specific student or staff names or information in the event of a positive case.
- An Authorization to Use or Disclose Protected Health Information (“PHI”) form must be on file for each student.
- It is impossible to plan for all scenarios with a positive test. Cases will be handled individually and with guidance from county and state health officials.

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MPS Practices



Transportation

- Traditional transportation will resume
- Windows will be down for air circulation when possible.
- Temperatures will not be taken at this time.
- Masks are not required to be worn by students or staff at this time. Masks may be worn by any students or staff that desire it.

Classroom food

- All food needs to be pre-packaged.
- NO homemade food allowed in the building until further notice.
- If your student has a health condition that requires them to have a special snack, please send it in a sealed container.

Cleaning & Sanitation Protocols

- Personal hygiene signs will be posted throughout the school grounds.
- Increased cleaning and sanitation protocols have been implemented across the district.
- Hand sanitizer will be available upon entering each building and in each classroom.
- Disinfectant will be used daily in classrooms, doorknobs, and other frequently used surfaces.
- Students are encouraged to bring individual reusable water bottles.

Visitors

- Limited visitors allowed in the building at this time.

Payment of Dues/ Lunch Money

- In elementary, students will turn lunch money into teachers not directly to office.
- JH/HS please turn into the office.

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FAQs



- **Will the school district calendar change for the 2020-2021 school year?** MPS is planning for the entire school year (if possible) to be on campus, as long as health officials deem it safe to do.
 - **Will students and staff be required to wear face masks?** Students and staff may go without their masks at school and on school transportation if they feel comfortable not wearing masks. Anyone desiring to continue wearing a mask may do so.
 - **How will MPS communicate with me during times of disrupted traditional learning?** MPS will contact parents/guardians via OneCall, school website, the Mooreland Leader, social media, group messaging and email.
 - **When will distance learning be used?** MPS will move to distance learning on an as needed basis. MPS will work with health officials to determine when it is safe to go back to the traditional format.
 - **How do I contact the school with questions or concerns?** Call 580-994-5520 for the elementary; 580-994-5426 for the high school.
- **What steps will be taken if a student and/or staff member tests positive for COVID-19?** Because each case is unique, MPS will work closely with Woodward County Health Department to determine the appropriate next steps. It may require certain classes or areas of the school to close for cleaning.
 - **Will extracurricular activities and athletics take place?** At this time, guidance from OSSAA and the Oklahoma State Department of Education has indicated that these activities will take place as scheduled.
 - **Will Grab and Go still be offered for students?** The Grab and Go option in the school cafeteria will still be offered for students in grades 7-12. Order will need to be made by 8:45 am the day a student desires a Grab and Go.
 - **How do I contact a counselor to help my student during times of distance learning?** Call 580-994-5426 to speak or set up an appointment with the counselor.

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Distance Learning FAQs



- **What happens when I test positive?**
Parents who test positive need to let the school know and quarantine their students for 10 days from the date of testing. Students who test positive need to also let the school know and then quarantine for 10 from the date of testing.
- **What happens when I test negative?**
If a student tests negative, they have to quarantine for 10 days. They may come back after 7 days if they have a negative test on day 5 of quarantine. This is per the Woodward County Health Department.
- **Will the school notify me if my student has been exposed?** Yes, the school will contact you if your student was in direct exposure to someone with covid.

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