

SAFETY PROTOCOLS

<p>Mask wearing</p>	<p>The wearing of face coverings for students 7th -12th will be based on the choice of the parent and/or guardian. Due to the fact that students aged 11 and under are not yet eligible to be vaccinated, face coverings will be mandatory for students in PreK-6th. There will be an opt out form for PreK-6th grade parents/guardians to sign if they do not want their child to wear a mask. <i>The Macomb County Health Department and CDC recommends that individuals, regardless of vaccination status, wear a face covering when indoors, especially in a setting outside of the family home.</i></p> <p>* If a breakout begins in a building and COVID numbers in that building begin to climb, we will meet to discuss reinstating protocols such as: masks in common areas, masks for all for two weeks, closing the building for deep cleaning, etc.</p>
<p>COVID 19 Vaccine</p>	<p>Not required. However, according to the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, vaccinated students and staff will not be required to quarantine if asymptomatic, when it is determined they were a close contact. MDHHS and the CDC recommend eligible individuals get vaccinated.</p>
<p>Cohorting/Physical Distancing</p>	<p>Cohorting (grouping of same students together) and physical distancing will be in place to the extent it is practical.</p>
<p>Self-Screening for students, staff and others</p>	<p>Staff and students should review health status prior to leaving for school. Students and staff are expected to stay home when they are</p>

	sick or have any COVID-19 symptoms. Students will have daily temperature checks as well as any adult entering the buildings.
Personal hygiene	Regular hand washing and use of hand sanitizer containing at least 60% alcohol will be used throughout the school day
Staying home when sick	<p>Staff and students are expected to stay home when they are sick or having COVID-19 symptoms. Absences are to be reported to the district according to the district attendance policies.</p> <p>Students and staff are encouraged, regardless of vaccination status, to get tested for COVID 19 if they have symptoms or if they are a close contact to someone who has COVID.</p>
Contact tracing in combination with isolation and quarantine	<p>In compliance with health department guidelines, individuals who are in close contact with an individual who has a confirmed or probable case of COVID 19 may be subject to quarantine.</p> <p>For a definition of a “close contact” and quarantine guidelines, please refer to the Macomb County Return to School Toolkit Macomb County Resources for School</p>
Cleaning and disinfection	Cleaning follows CDC and State of Michigan protocols with EPA approved products. There is daily cleaning and disinfection, including touchpoint cleaning twice per day.

Visitors	Visits to buildings during the school day will be limited to essential visitors. If a parent needs to be in the building for a specific reason, they must schedule it with the building admin, and all safety protocols will be followed.
Large in-person gatherings	Many large in-person gatherings, such as Parent/Teacher Conferences, will be conducted using a virtual format whenever possible. In addition, student assemblies will be limited to outside only while the county remains in a high transmission rate.
Field Trips and before or after school sponsored activities	Before or after school building sponsored activities are allowed following all safety protocols such as seating charts, social distancing, recommended masking for the unvaccinated, etc. Field trips during the day will be discussed with administration before finalizing any trip to assure all safety protocols can be followed.
Masking on Bus	It is a federal mandate that anyone on a bus must wear a mask