

# Safe Return to In-Person Instruction & Continuity of Services Plan (SRCSP)

## Oak Ridge R-VI School District



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The safety and well being of Oak Ridge R-6 students and staff is our top priority in all decisions related to conducting school and providing a quality education to all students and staff we serve. The goal of Oak Ridge School District is to maintain in person learning for all students in the safest manner possible.

The content in this document will be updated as additional guidance is provided by state, local, and federal authorities. This document will be reviewed at least every six months by a district task force with a diverse blend of stakeholders. Please refer to this document often to stay informed about the most current guidelines and protocols our district will be following. Parents/guardians with questions or concerns are asked to call Oak Ridge R-6 School at 573-266-3218.

## Understanding & Recognizing COVID-19

- Faculty and staff will be trained to recognize symptoms that may be associated with COVID-19. Training will include, but not be limited to, online modules provided by the Missouri United School Insurance Council. The CDC lists the following as possible symptoms of COVID-19:
  - A fever of 100.4 degrees or higher.
  - Cough
  - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
  - Chills
  - Repeated shaking with chills
  - Muscle pain
  - Headache
  - Sore throat
  - Newly emerged loss of taste or smell
  - Nausea & vomiting
  - Diarrhea

## General Information for Students & Faculty/Staff

- Face masks are **recommended, not required** for students and staff.
- Masks or face coverings must be provided by the individual. Masks will not be provided by the district. Homemade masks are acceptable but must meet school dress code guidelines.
- Students may not share masks or provide masks to other students at school.
- Hand Hygiene and Respiratory Etiquette:
  - Teach and reinforce handwashing with soap and water for at least 20 seconds and increase monitoring to ensure adherence among students and staff. Students will be guided to wash hands multiple times per day.

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- If soap and water are not readily available, hand sanitizer may be used. Hand sanitizer will be provided at multiple locations throughout buildings and will be located in each classroom.
- Encourage staff and students to cover coughs and sneezes with a tissue. Used tissues should be thrown in the trash.
- Students will be encouraged to use refillable water bottles throughout the day and will be provided time to refill bottles at the filling stations.
  - Students may bring personal water bottles from home but bottles must be clear plastic and in clean, sanitary condition.
  - Students may not share water bottles
- Social distancing will be observed to the extent possible by all faculty, staff, and students. Social distancing is more achievable in hallways, outdoor areas, and larger facilities.
- Student activities and athletics will be conducted as usual to the extent they are permissible under local, state, and federal guidance.
- Students, faculty, and staff with diagnosed medical conditions that are related to COVID-19 susceptibility will be provided accommodations as appropriate and practical.

## **Staying Home When Appropriate**

- Staff and students will isolate if they have tested positive for COVID-19, per CDC & Cape County Department of Health guidance.
  - If a close contact to a positive case occurred outside of school, please contact the nurse for 10 days of symptom monitoring.

## **General Health Information for Students & Faculty/Staff**

- Parents and students, as well as staff members are encouraged to self-screen for potential COVID-19 symptoms before coming to school.
- Students at school who display health symptoms that could suggest COVID-19 concerns will be checked by the nurse. If evaluation by the nurse suggests potential for COVID-19 infection, appropriate actions will be taken by the nurse on a case by case basis.
- Close contact students with COVID-19 symptoms will be sent home for quarantine and testing will be recommended.
- Please understand that guidelines may change over time. At the time of this publication, the guidelines are as follows:

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**Quarantine**-if you are a close contact within the same home

**Isolate**-if you are sick or test positive

The date of your exposure is considered day 0. Day 1 is the first full day after your last contact with a person who has had COVID-19. Stay home and away from other people for at least 5 days.

## Close contact in the same household to COVID-19:

<b>Quarantine- 5 days</b>	<b>Watch for symptoms</b> -until 10 days after your close contact	<b>Take precautions until day 10</b>
Get tested-even with no symptoms, get tested at least 5 days after your close contact	If you develop symptoms- <b>isolate</b> immediately and get tested. Continue to isolate until you know the results.	<b>Wear a mask</b> for 10 full days from initial close contact anytime you are present at school or remain at home.

## Tested positive for COVID-19 or have symptoms, regardless of vaccination status:

<b>Isolate for at least 5 days</b>	<b>After 5 days, end isolation if:</b> -you had mild symptoms -symptoms are improving -you are fever-free for 24 hours (without the use of fever-reducing medication). -you had no symptoms Fever is $\geq 100.4$	<b>Take precautions until day 10</b>
	If you were severely ill with COVID-19, <b>isolate 10 full days.</b>	Wear a mask for 10 full days anytime you are present at school.

## Transportation Information

- Parents/guardians are strongly encouraged to drop students off and pick up at school instead of using bus service. Drop-off and pick-up systems will be organized to ensure social distancing to the greatest extent possible.
- Students riding the bus from the same household will be encouraged to sit together.
- Hand sanitizer and masks will be available on school buses.
- Any student displaying symptoms of illness will be sent to the nurse upon arrival at school.

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## Arrival at school

- Student drop off time is 7:30 am. All K-12 parent drop-offs will enter through the High School door. All bus drop-offs will enter through the cafeteria. Preschool students will enter at preschool entrance.
- Standing thermometers, supervised by district staff, are stationed at every entry door where all students are required to do a temperature check upon arrival daily. Staff will self monitor temperature. Elevated temperatures will report to the nurse immediately.
- Parents/visitors will have limited access to the building including the building offices as the need may arise.
  - Visitors in the building will be limited and must be approved prior to arrival.
- Clear plastic guards may be constructed to allow office personnel to interact with visitors while minimizing potential exposure.

## During the School Day

- PreK-6 students may remain with their class all day. Students may interact with students from other classrooms during outside recess.
- PreK-6 students will remain with their class during inside recess.
- Sharing of student supplies (art, other) will be minimized and/or eliminated.
- Equipment used by more than one student may be sanitized between uses.

## Cafeteria/M meal Times

- Lunch shifts may be staggered as possible to minimize the number of students gathered.
- Lunch shifts may be added in order to minimize the number of students gathered.
- All lunch tables will be utilized in order to spread students out in the cafeteria.
- All lunches will be plated or boxed.
- Pre-K students will eat in their classroom cohort.
- Students will be encouraged to wash hands prior to eating and prior to engaging in other activities after eating.

## Food Service

- Food will not be shared and unopened food/drinks previously served will not be re-served.
- Use individual packets of condiments if possible; if not, district employees will serve condiments using appropriate precautions.

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- Kitchen surfaces will be wiped down with disinfectant before food preparations begin.
- Hands should be washed after handling soiled dishes and before handling clean dishes.
- Strict kitchen sanitary guidelines will be followed.

## **Academics & Instruction**

- Oak Ridge will provide in-person instruction to all students.
- In the event of a doctor ordered, the health department ordered quarantine or school isolation due to a close contact symptomatic case, students will begin a homebound assignment with a teacher providing one-on-one instruction **or** students can join virtually through Google Meet for instruction within each classroom daily.
- Students attending through Google Meet or homebound instruction will meet the district requirements for attendance.
- Isolated students with an IEP will continue to receive services through a virtual platform from a therapist or teacher. Students with an IEP will follow their IEP guidance for instructional services.
- In the event of a school closure, all district students will join through Google Meet daily for classroom instruction. Assignments will be posted and accepted on Google classroom. Learning packets will be made available for students who do not have technology access in their home.

## **Other information**

- Parents of students participating in any extracurricular activity may be required to complete a liability waiver and follow the guidelines set within the document.

## **Cleaning & Disinfection**

- Use of shared objects (gym, PE equipment, art supplies, toys, games, and library media materials) should be limited when possible or cleaned between use.
- A schedule for increased, routine cleaning and disinfection has been established throughout the district.

## **Modified layouts**

- Each classroom will arrange student seating to provide for the best social distancing possible.
- Assigned seating may be utilized to assist with contact tracing as needed.

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## Community Events

- The District may consider limiting or restricting outside organizations' use of facilities, if warranted by local, state or federal guidance.
- School facilities will be sanitized after community events and prior to educational use.
- A vaccination clinic with John's Pharmacy will be held on August 12, 2021 from 12:00-4:00 during school registration. Staff, students and parents are welcome to go to John's Pharmacy in Jackson for free COVID-19 vaccinations. Walgreens also offers free COVID-19 vaccinations at the Cape Girardeau location.
- Students receiving their COVID-19 vaccination will be excused from school for one day with proof of vaccination, to allow for student recovery from vaccination side effects to be monitored. Completion of assignments is required.
- Emergency paid sick leave is available to Oak Ridge Staff. Please refer to the district intranet for forms.

*This document is available in additional languages. Please contact the superintendent's office at 573-266-3218 for support.*