



Arlington Local School Healthy Restart Plan

Guiding Principles

- Input from our Healthy Restart Committee, survey results from parents, district residents, and staff members along with guidance/recommendations from local and state health and educational agencies have guided the creation of this plan to promote a healthy 2020-2021 academic year for all.
- Students, parents, district residents, and staff must work together to promote good health within our homes, schools, and communities. The district will establish and enforce health protocols related to assessing symptoms, hand washing & sanitizing, cleaning & sanitizing the school environment, social distancing, and facial coverings.
- All individuals need to be aware that some level of risk will continuously be present when students and school employees use district facilities. In the event of a confirmed COVID-19 case within the district we will work with local health officials to take appropriate action.
- Policies and procedures will likely continue to evolve over the course of the next several weeks and throughout the school year. We will communicate with the community as information and/or updates are available.
- We realize that not everyone will agree with all of the decisions being made for the return to school. We appreciate everyone's patience and understanding as we move forward with the following plans.
- Please reference the *Hancock County/Findlay City Schools Common Reopening Agreement* posted to the school's website on August 7th for more detailed information.

Hancock County Ohio Public Health Advisory Level			
LEVEL 1	LEVEL 2	LEVEL 3	LEVEL 4
<u>Public Emergency</u> Active exposure and spread. Follow all current health orders.	<u>Public Emergency</u> Increased exposure and spread. Exercise high degree of caution. Follow all current health orders.	<u>Public Emergency</u> Very high exposure and spread. Limit activities as much as possible. Follow all current health orders.	<u>Public Emergency</u> Severe exposure and spread. Only leave home for supplies and services. Follow all current health orders.
Option 1 - Instructional Model for Arlington Local School			
LEVEL 1	LEVEL 2	LEVEL 3	LEVEL 4
<u>Daily Attendance Model</u> In School 5-days per week. Masks required on school grounds. Social Distance by 6 feet when possible.	<u>Hybrid Attendance Model</u> K-6: Half days 5-days per week. 7-12: Full days 2-days per week; remote 3-days per week. Masks required on school grounds. Social Distance by 6 feet when possible.	<u>Remote Attendance Model</u> Remote learning 5-days per week. Masks required on school grounds. Social Distance by 6 feet when possible. Special considerations may be made to bring in students to meet with staff on an individual basis or to meet the needs of special populations.	
Option 2 - Arlington Opt-In Virtual Learning Model			
Some families may prefer to have their child educated completely online for the 2020-2021 school year. In the Opt-In Virtual Learning Model, students will be provided online instruction by a designated Arlington teacher. Students will be assigned a full schedule of classes to create a continuous learning environment. Some classes may not be available to students due to the limitations of this model. Curriculum would be aligned to state standards and be as rigorous as curriculum offered "at school."			

- Students in the Opt-In Virtual Learning Model would still have an opportunity to participate in extracurricular activities, but participation in co-curricular activities may be limited.
- Students participating in the Opt-In Virtual Model will be required to remain in this model for at least the first 9-weeks of school.

General Health Guidelines & Protocols

- **Symptom Assessment**
 - We strongly encourage daily symptom checks for staff, caregivers, and students prior to coming to school. All staff and students who have symptoms consistent with COVID-19 will stay home and are strongly recommended to be tested as soon as possible to reduce the spread of COVID-19.
- **Hand Washing & Sanitizing**
 - We encourage families to discuss appropriate handwashing and sanitizing procedures. These procedures will also be reviewed at school.
 - Hand sanitizer will be available in high traffic areas including entrances to buildings and classrooms.
- **Cleaning & Sanitizing the School Environment**
 - As in the past, we will strive to create a clean, sanitized school environment. Additional protocols will be implemented to work towards the achievement of this goal. From time to time, students and staff may be asked to assist in this task. This will always occur in an age appropriate manner. The district is also cognizant of the possible negative impact of disinfectant/chemical use in a school building. Product selection will be made with such in mind.
- **Social Distancing**
 - Students will be spaced as far apart as possible/feasible. We will strive to maintain six (6) feet of social distancing during the school day.
 - Band, Choir, Vo-Ag, Industrial Arts, etc. may have special considerations to maintain the six (6) feet social distancing. Outdoor performance is encouraged as weather conditions allow.
- **Wearing of Masks – (coverage from the bridge of the nose, continuing over the mouth and ending under the chin)**
 - A Face mask is required for students in grades K – 12 per the Governor’s Order (5 exemptions exist).
 - Face coverings are required for drivers and students in all grades when riding school transportation.
 - School employees, visitors, and volunteers will be required to wear face masks.
 - Any requirement may be waived for individual students or staff members with medical conditions that prohibit them from wearing a face covering. However, proper documentation from a healthcare provider must be submitted to the district to meet this exemption. In these instances, a face shield is required in place of the face covering.
- **Visitors**
 - Visitors are generally discouraged from being in school district facilities.
 - Safety protocols and procedures, such as taking temperatures, screening for symptoms, requiring face coverings, washing, and/or sanitizing hands upon arrival will be required of all visitors.
- **Transportation, Arrival & Dismissal, Food Services, Recess, & Other Components of a School Day**

Health protocols/procedures will be established related to each component of the school day focused on the overall well-being of each student while promoting hand washing & sanitizing, clean & disinfecting of school environment, social distancing, and facial coverings.

