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Dear Parents and Community Members

The Delphos City School District continues to closely follow the news and guidance concerning COVID-19 and will follow the guidelines established by the Allen County Health Department to promote safety. These include any guidelines that apply to the opening of school buildings for students this fall. All Allen County Superintendents met on July 9, 2020 to finalize plans to reopen our schools and created the Allen County Schools Common Reopening Agreement. The Delphos City Schools will reopen this fall following the common protocols outlined in the Agreement along with many additional safety protocols outlined below. In addition to the Allen County Schools' Common Reopening Agreement, these added safety measures should ensure a safe reopening of the 2020-2021 school year.

#### Classrooms

All school buildings have been equipped with hand sanitizer stations in classrooms and throughout the buildings. Students will be expected to use sanitizer each time they enter or exit a classroom. Staff are also expected to use sanitizer when entering and exiting as well. Student desks will be spaced out to the best of the District's ability for increased social distancing. Additional sanitization will take place to disinfect high touch areas in classrooms and throughout the buildings.

#### Food Service

DCS Food Service Department will continue to offer the same breakfast and lunch meals. These options include hot cooked meals as well as grab and go options. The lunchrooms will be sanitized before and after each use. The self-serve student condiment stations will be replaced with individual condiment packets and disposable utensils and serving trays will be used.

#### Transportation

School buses and vans used to transport students will be sanitized before each route.

#### Online Learning

Parents not wishing to have their child participate in face to face, on site learning may choose an online option to be completed from home. Any parent choosing to have their child participate in online learning will agree to follow protocols set forth in the Delphos Digital Academy agreement. This online option is NOT the same as the District's Distance Learning Plan implemented last spring. Parents wishing to explore this option should contact Miss Wilhelm at [kwilhelm@delphoscitieschools.org](mailto:kwilhelm@delphoscitieschools.org).

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The District will continue to follow pre COVID health practices for all student illnesses, including requiring students with a fever to be fever free without the use of medication for 24 hours before returning to school. We stress common sense when making these decisions: any student who is not feeling well should stay home.

Delphos City Schools will continue to keep student safety at the forefront of the District decisions and the District will continue these important efforts. We appreciate the continued support from our parents, students, staff and community and look forward to the safe return of students to our buildings. In the meantime, we continue to stress good illness prevention techniques, including good hand washing and thorough cleaning practices.

I hope to see you on August 19th.

Sincerely,  
Doug Westrick  
Superintendent

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