

DELPHOS CITY SCHOOLS REOPENING FRAMEWORK FALL 2020

This framework serves to communicate procedures and expectations specific to our district. Committees of administration, local health officials, teachers, and support personnel have worked to create a plan that provides meaningful learning opportunities while remaining focused on student and employee health and safety. We look forward to providing in-person learning experiences for all students with the procedures outlined in each section below. We appreciate your support, flexibility, and trust as our partners through this time. Please keep in mind policies may change often. To ensure effective communication make sure your contact information remains up-to-date.

Daily Health Assessments

- Students and staff are expected to take their temperature and conduct daily health assessments prior to coming to school.
- Additional health monitoring at school may be required.
- Employees and students must stay home with any of the following:
 - Temperature in excess of 100°F
 - Fever or chills
 - Cough
 - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
 - Fatigue
 - Muscle or body aches
 - Headache
 - Loss of taste or smell
 - Sore throat
- Any student or staff member with a temp above 100°F must stay home until he/she is fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever reducing medication. If the fever is found to be COVID-related, the time the student or staff member must stay home will be dictated by the Allen Co. Health Department.

Face Coverings

- Face coverings are required for students in grades 3-12.
- Acceptable face coverings include masks and neck gaiters that cover the nose, mouth, and chin. Dress code appropriate.

Classroom Instruction

- Students will be seated with maximum distance permitted. Students will face the same direction.
- Outdoor instruction is encouraged as much as possible (dress appropriately).
- Students will not be changing for phys. Ed. classes.
- Class transitions may be limited and staggered to minimize student contact in hallways and other areas.
- Students will engage in meaningful instruction, and will be exposed to online learning platforms to be prepared for remote learning in case the school closes as a result of COVID-19.
- Students are encouraged to bring their own water bottle labeled with their first and last name. Touchless water bottle filling stations are available in each building.
- No treats will be allowed to brought in (birthdays, holidays, etc)

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Arrival/Dismissal

- Students should not congregate in hallways or cafeterias before school - go directly to the homeroom.
- Specific arrival/dismissal information will be provided by individual buildings.
- Parents must stay in vehicles. Please do not congregate by building entrances.

Late Arrivals/Early Dismissals

- Parents and visitors should not enter buildings unless it's an emergency.
 - If students arrive late or need to leave early parents should call the school from their vehicle to notify the secretary of their arrival. A staff member will monitor the student as they enter/exit the building.

Transportation

- Buses will be sanitized daily.
- Masks must be worn by all students (K-12) at all times.
- Families will sit together.
- Buses will be loaded from back to front.

Cafeteria

- Students will be seated at least 3' apart. Older students may be expected to eat outside when the weather is favorable.
- No self-service of any kind. Food will be placed on trays by staff.
- Cafeteria will be sanitized between each breakfast/lunch cycle.
- Breakfast will continue.

Absences

- Students are expected to keep up with class instruction and complete all assignments in a reasonable amount of time. Communication with teachers for specific expectations is important.
- Regular attendance policies will be enforced as outlined in building handbooks.
- Perfect attendance awards will NOT be rewarded during the 2020-2021 school year.

FAQ's

- What happens when a child gets sick at school?
 - Anyone exhibiting symptoms or having a temperature above 100°F while at school will be separated from others and continue to wear a mask. A guardian will be notified immediately to pick up the child. The child should then be referred to an appropriate healthcare professional.
- How will recess be handled?
 - Students will use sanitizer before and after recess. Recess will serve as a mask break for students while social distancing.
- What should I do if I don't feel comfortable sending my child to school and would prefer to homeschool them or enroll them online?
 - If you are planning to homeschool your child(ren) or enroll them in an online school, PLEASE contact the Delphos City ASAP to complete the proper procedures. Delphos City Schools does provide an online education. We are happy to meet with you to discuss this option.