

Arlington Public Schools

2021-2022



COVID-19 Pandemic Learn-in-Person Plan

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Three Rivers Public Health Department has coordinated with schools since the beginning of the pandemic to ensure student and staff safety and reduce the risk of spreading COVID. We will continue to take their recommendations into advisement as the 2021-2022 school year begins. Their information is available at: <https://www.threeriverspublichealth.org/Coronavirus-Updates>. We will have a link to this on our www.apseagles.org website. If you need to be tested for COVID-19, the Test Nebraska website can quickly help you find a location.

All enrolled students and staff will be expected to be present in school daily. Any changes to this typical schedule, will be communicated through our Blackboard Connect calling system, via video or email message, and placed on all social media outlets.

The use of face coverings will be **optional** during the 2021-2022 School Year. Hand sanitizer will be readily available in multiple locations throughout the building. Practices that ensure low viral spread and proper hygiene will be strongly encouraged.

We will follow guidance from Three Rivers Health Department and the CDC for the necessity of quarantine in the event of illness or exposure. We will monitor the impact of COVID-19 on our community, and within the walls of our school on a class by class basis and communicate and adjust as necessary.

Students required to quarantine or isolate will continue to participate in class via technology, utilizing resources posted on CANVAS and other virtual means (zoom, email, etc.), unless actively ill with COVID-19 and unable to participate. All work required for classes is expected to be completed in a timely manner, and regular communication between students and teachers is required, and should be documented. Families will be required to provide documentation of COVID-19 illness to the school nurse.

Staff in quarantine or isolation are required to communicate with building principals regularly, unless actively ill with COVID-19. If possible and/or necessary, teachers will deliver instruction via the following means; specific lesson plans for substitute teachers, resources posted on CANVAS, video lessons, and real-time conferencing with classes. Email should be checked regularly to communicate with students.

Facilities will be cleaned and sanitized regularly. Airflow systems filters will be changed as advised to ensure clean air quality.

Decisions regarding quarantine of individual students or staff, groups of students, and entire classrooms will be made in consultation with Three Rivers Public Health Department, based on contact tracing and active spread of the virus in the school setting.

Arlington Public Schools Risk Factor Plans

(Masks optional)
All Classrooms Sanitized Daily**

Area of Emphasis	Low Spread*	Moderate Spread*	Elevated Spread*
Health Screening	Normal Operation	Parents Screen symptoms at home--Self monitor for symptoms. If one or more symptoms occur, see school nurse for guidance	Parents Screen for fever and symptoms at home--Students monitor and report symptoms to the school nurse.
On Buses for routes and/or activities	Normal Operation	Bus routes run as normal, with efforts made to keep students spread out as much as possible.	Bus routes run as normal. Efforts are made to ensure seats are jointly occupied by household family members only to reduce the risk of virus spreading.
In Classrooms	Normal Operation	Deep Cleaning occurs daily, sanitizer is readily available for students and staff.	Desks are adequately spaced and sanitized daily. The use of hand sanitizer is strongly encouraged on a regular basis.
Congregate Times (hallway passing, arrival, dismissal, etc)	Normal Operation	Normal Operation, contact with from student to student monitored and discouraged.	Contact Actions strongly discouraged. Class dismissal times will be staggered to reduce congestion. Physical distancing encouraged.
Lunchroom	Normal Operation; No Touch Check Out Implemented	No Touch Checkout; Ala Carte Available upon asking. Salad Bar available but served by kitchen staff	No Touch Checkout; Social Distancing Carefully Monitored; Ala Carte Available; tables spaced throughout building and/or gym used for seating; Eating occurs in same-student groups
Recess	Normal Operation	Sanitizing of Playground Equipment Regularly; Fewer	Sanitizing of Equipment after use; Fewer Groups on Playground at

		Groups on Playground at once if possible;	once; limited access to equipment; Contact Game discouraged
Restrooms	Normal Operation	Additional Cleaning throughout day; no-touch foot door pulls installed; hand washing and/or use of sanitizer reminders posted	Additional Cleaning Throughout Day; Limited amount of persons at once; no-touch foot door pulls installed; hand-washing and use of sanitizer mandatory
Technology	Normal Operation	Students will transition to 1:1 computer so they will always use the same device; Device checked in/out from TA; sharing devices discouraged	Students will transition to 1:1 computer so they will always use the same device; Device checked in/out from TA; sharing devices and extensions (headphones, etc.) prohibited; Library Lab by Appointment
Activities	Normal Participation	Guidelines set by NSAA will be followed strictly;	Guidelines set by NSAA will be followed strictly

*Spread is determined by school tracking and consultation with the Three Rivers Public Health Department. 3RPHD Guidance will be followed for cohort and/or epi-link of cases.

** Masks may be required for individuals to return to school for limited days as 3RPHD advises when necessary.