

# Delta RV Schools Return to Learn Plan

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The Delta RV School District is committed to providing a quality education to all students in a safe, healthy environment. This plan was developed for the 2020-2021 school year, in conjunction with the Cape County Health Center, and is based on recommendations from the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education and other sources. This plan was successful in allowing our District to return to in person learning for the entire 2020-2021 school year and has been modified to reflect the ever changing needs of our staff and students heading into the 2021-2022 school year.

The goal of this plan is to mitigate the risk of exposure to COVID-19 and other illnesses by reducing contact while at school. This plan will be reviewed at the District's June 2021 and December 2021 School Board Meeting, via open forum, where community members, staff, principals, the superintendent, the school counselor, the special education director, and students will be allowed to discuss ideas and offer input.

## **Screening**

Parents are asked to screen their children at home, prior to sending them to school. Students and staff who exhibit symptoms of COVID-19 are asked to stay at home and report the absence to the school office. These symptoms include but are not limited to:

- Fever over 100.4 degrees, without a fever-reducing medication
- Cough
- Headache
- Muscle aches
- Nausea, vomiting or diarrhea
- New loss of taste or smell
- New runny nose or congestion
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Sore throat

Anyone who has had close contact with a person with COVID-19 should follow Cape County Health Department Guidelines.

## **General Procedures**

All staff will be provided a face shield or cloth face covering to be worn daily. **Masks are required at this time for students older than 9. Masks will not be required at all times, only when social distancing can't be observed. In areas where masking is required, the mask is to be worn correctly and in accordance with CDC and local health department guidelines.** If students bring a mask, it is the responsibility of the individual to maintain the mask. All masks must meet school dress code guidelines.

Hand sanitizing stations will be available in classrooms and key locations in buildings. Hand sanitizing stations will be available on all school buses.

Increased cleaning procedures have been implemented, including routine classroom sanitation and increased sanitation of restrooms, high-touch areas and playgrounds using an electrostatic sprayer.

Water fountains are disabled. Bottle filling stations are available in all buildings. Students should bring an unopened or empty water bottle with them to school.

## **Transportation**

Bus transportation is necessary for children to get to and from school safely. Risks for both students and drivers should be mitigated. Parents/caregivers should prioritize a safe alternative mode of transportation when available to optimize physical distancing on the bus. The school will open at 7:30 am for parents who bring their children to school.

### ***Bus Driver***

- Bus driver should always wear a cloth face covering.
- Bus driver can consider wearing a face shield if it does not inhibit driving.
- Installing a physical barrier (e.g. plexiglass) between the driver's seat and students can be considered.

### ***Students***

- Buses should be loaded from back to front or have assigned seats.

- Family units should sit together.
- At this time masking is required by the CDD for anyone using public transportation. Therefore, children should wear a cloth face covering when riding the school bus.
- Windows should be opened (weather permitting) to allow for airflow.
- Students should use hand sanitizer upon bus entry and they will get their temperature checked.

### **Food Service**

Breakfast and lunch may be eaten in the cafeteria (with increased distancing), in the classrooms, or using alternate locations.

Lunch shifts will have minor adjustments. This will allow for better distancing practices during all phases of meal times. Students will be seated five to a table.

Hand-washing/sanitizing will be available before and after meals.

### **Classroom Procedures**

Student seating will be arranged for social distancing to the extent possible. Some areas may be separated by clear dividers to limit contact.

Staff will limit close proximity group interaction to the extent possible.

Students will be kept with their cohort group to the extent possible. This is more easily done in lower grade levels. Upper grade level students will have to wear a mask in areas where social distancing and cohort groups are not possible.

### **Playgrounds/Recess**

Playground equipment will be sanitized often using an electrostatic sprayer. Social distancing will be encouraged. Cohort groups will be kept together to the extent possible. Hand washing/sanitizing will be available before and after recess.

### **School Supplies**

Supplies will not be shared to reduce exposure to germs. Each child is

asked to have the necessary supplies for school. Please label the supplies with your child's name. If you can't provide school supplies, please let us know. We will make arrangements for your student.

Students will need labeled water bottles and headphones.

### **Visitors**

Non-essential visitors/volunteers will not be allowed in the school during school hours.

If necessary, visitors will be asked to make an appointment and may be screened prior to entry.

### **Athletics/Activities**

All MSHSAA teams and activities groups will follow MSHSAA guidelines. Equipment will be sanitized before and after use. All event guests will be encouraged to maintain social distancing.

### **Health Services**

Each building will have multiple thermometers available to use for screening children for temperature, as needed. Children exhibiting symptoms of illness will be sent to the nurse.

Students exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19 will be isolated until picked up. The isolation area will be sanitized following each use. Parents will need to immediately pick up their child or make arrangements for your child to be picked up immediately.

At this time, the District does not offer Covid testing or vaccination, but if you contact the office (573-794-2500) we can provide you with assistance in getting tested for Covid or getting vaccinated for Covid. You can also contact the Cape County Health Department (573-335-7846) or the Bollinger County Health Department (573-238-2817) directly for more testing and vaccination information.

### **Positive Cases**

Upon confirmation of a student/staff member with a positive COVID-19

diagnosis, the District will work with the Cape County Health Center to implement protocol. Decisions regarding quarantining and testing of additional individuals will be determined by the Cape County Health Center. In the event of student group quarantining, continuation of instruction will be provided through remote learning. All teachers will have an electronic platform for student learning. Please refer to our AMI-X plan for remote learning. It is located on our district website underneath the parent tab.

### **Social and Emotional Needs of Students**

School Counselors will be available to address the social and emotional issues that may arise due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Parents/Guardians may contact the school counselor at (573) 794-2500 if they have concerns about their child(ren).

### **Alternative Methods of Instruction**

Students who test positive and/or are required to quarantine can still receive their daily instruction and classwork via the Districts Alternative Methods of Instruction (AMI) Plan. Each teacher has classwork that can be accessed electronically. Each student is provided with a Chromebook in the event they are quarantined. Our teachers are able to connect via internet, phone, Remind 101 messaging, Google Classroom, and other ways. These connections are sometimes recorded and sometimes happen in real time, as if your child was in class with the rest of the students.

For families without internet access, the District offers a couple of options to help your student “connect” with his/her teacher. Please contact the office (573-794-2500) if you need assistance with this.

***For students with an IEP, a 504 Plan, or for families that need this information translated in a different language:*** In the event you and/or your child are quarantined, the District offers a couple of different options to help meet the needs of your child and your family. Please contact us directly (573-794-2500) so that we can best suit the individual needs of your child.

**\*\*\*This document is subject to change as new information is obtained and local, state and federal regulations are implemented.**