



Forsyth R-III School District

Return to Learn

Forsyth Schools is committed to providing a safe and healthy learning environment for our students, staff and community. The information in this plan is based on recommendations from state and local health departments as well as the CDC. **Forsyth Schools is committed to returning to fully seated in-person learning on August 25th. Students will be attending on campus unless parents specifically opt for a virtual learning path by August 7th.**

FACIAL COVERINGS & HYGIENE



- Forsyth staff and students **grades 5-12 are required** to wear a facial covering. Students **PreK-4 are strongly encouraged** to wear a facial covering. However, they are NOT required when at recess, P.E., consuming food/beverage, **or anytime that students are ABLE TO PROPERLY SOCIAL DISTANCE.**
- Hand sanitizer is readily available throughout all school buildings. All students and staff will be encouraged to sanitize when they enter and before they leave each day.
- Students and staff will be allotted time to frequently wash their hands for at least 20 seconds with soap and water.

TRANSPORTATION

- All staff and students are required to wear a facial covering on buses.
- Buses will be disinfected after each route.
- **Parents are encouraged to drop off/pick up their student if possible to decrease the number of students on the school bus.**
- Students will have assigned seats.
- Members of same households will be asked to sit together.



HEALTH PROTOCOLS

- Health services staff will evaluate any student or staff member showing symptoms of COVID-19.
- Students/staff will be sent home if they exhibit two or more of the symptoms of COVID-19 based on CDC guidance that are not otherwise explained.
- Students/staff will only be allowed to return to school **if they are fever free for 72 hours**, or with a doctor's note, a negative COVID-19 test, or after 14 days of quarantine.

SOCIAL DISTANCING

- Desks will be arranged in a way that allows for the most social distancing possible in the space provided.
- Outdoor spaces will be utilized when possible.
- Parents are expected to drop students in the drop off areas, as visitors inside the building will be restricted.
- Field trips, assemblies, and large gatherings will be modified to meet social distancing guidance.



If a student or staff member tests positive for COVID-19, the Taney County Health Department will be notified. Targeted disinfecting will take place. Communication and re-entry will be determined based on guidance from the Taney County Health Department with the intent to resume school the following day.

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