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Procedures and Protocols





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Our top priority is to safely provide in-person instruction 5 days a week in order to deliver high-quality instruction to every child.



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2021-2022 school year

- 5 day a week instruction for all students
- Focus on in-person learning
- Technology integration in district classrooms
- Strengthened mental health supports for students, staff
- Will emphasize static grouping but ensure students will receive all educational services
- Mitigation efforts adopted based on latest LDOE, LDH guidance



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Vaccinations

- Vaccines are encouraged for students or staff as the best known protection against COVID-19.
- Vaccinated staff who test positive for the virus will be eligible for paid COVID leave through the district.
- Vaccination opportunities will be communicated as scheduled.



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Face Coverings

- All students and staff will wear masks inside district sites.
- Following federal mandate, masks will be required for both staff and students when on a school bus.
- Visitors will be required to wear a mask while at a school or district site.
- Guidance will be reassessed by the district each nine weeks or as appropriate in alignment with the latest guidance from the Governor's Office, LDH and the CDC.



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Visitors

- With the primary focus of safely reopening schools and keeping schools open, the district will limit nonessential visitors, volunteers, and activities.
- Visitors deemed essential to school operations will be required to wear a mask while at a school or district site.
- The district's visitor protocols will be reassessed at the end of each nine weeks or as appropriate.



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Food Service

- Cafeterias will reopen with hot meal service.
- Static groups will be maintained as well as physical distancing to the maximum extent possible.
- Water fountains will remain closed except for bottle fillers. Students and staff are encouraged to bring water bottles from home.



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Environmental Cleaning

- Enhanced daily cleaning will continue with special attention to high-touch surfaces.
- Custodians as well as bus drivers will continue to use electrostatic sprayers to clean sites and buses.
- Staff will be provided cleaning supplies for classrooms and office spaces.
- Hand sanitizer will be provided at school sites and on buses.
- Air filters will continue to be frequently changed.



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Quarantine and Exposure Guidelines

- Contact tracing will continue to be required.
- Isolation areas will remain in place at each site.
- Buses and classrooms will have seating charts.
- Vaccinated individuals are not required to quarantine.
- Unvaccinated students and staff exposed to COVID-19 through close contact will be required to quarantine.
- Individuals can exit quarantine through a negative COVID-19 test or using a time-based strategy.



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Comments from Medical Experts

- **Voluntary Testing and Vaccinations** - Dr. John Vanchiere, Director of the COVID-19 Strike Team and lead investigator of the Pfizer vaccine study at LSU Health, & Dr. Joseph Bocchini, Pediatric Infectious Disease Specialist at Willis-Knighton Health System
- **Latest Data Regarding COVID** - Dr. Martha Whyte, Regional Medical Director for Louisiana Department of Health
- **COVID in NWLA Children** - Dr. Megan Gardner, President, & Dr. Jennifer Cockrell, Vice President, North Louisiana Pediatric Society



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Questions