Reopening Plan 2020-21



Hershey Elementary

Return to School

Tuesday, August 11, 2020 School begins on-time, in-person, five days per week. TSC Virtual Academy option available.

Please select either the in-person or virtual option when registering for school by July 24th. All students must register for school.

COVID Positive Protocol

May return to school per current recommendations from CDC: Minimum 10 days after symptoms first present or two negative tests at least 24 hours apart AND

- Fever free for 72 hours without fever reducing medicine AND
- Other symptoms have ceased AND/OR
- Receive authorization to return from a medical provider.

Cleaning Protocols

Additional cleaning and disinfecting products and equipment are on-site. Safe and effective cleaning products will be used regularly throughout the day on all high touch areas. A building curfew of 6:00 PM each evening is in place so that regular cleaning may occur.

Other Illnesses

All return to school/exclusion decisions are subject to change based on current CDC recommendations Students must see a provider and be fever free for at least 72 hours without the use of fever-reducing medication prior to returning to school.

Health & Safety Protocols



If Sick - Stay Home

Families must screen their student before school each day. No one should enter school if s/he is not feeling well, has a fever, or has been in contact with anyone who is ill. Sick students at school will be directed immediately to the nurse, and a parent will be contacted.



Training

COVID-19 training will be provided for teachers and staff on August 7th on symptoms and screening measures.



Physical distancing will be required in all settings where possible.

Physical Distancing

Masks

Social distancing is a challenge at Hershey Elementary School. Students and staff will wear a mask a majority of the time. Staff will provide opportunities for students to remove their masks at appropriate times. Masks will not be required while eating. If your child is not able or willing to wear a mask a majority of the day, please choose the TSC Virtual Academy option.



Divided Health Clinic Locations

There will be an area for students displaying COVID-19 symptoms who are waiting to be picked up and another area for medication distribution and routine health office visits.



Hand Washing & Sanitizing

Routine hand washing procedures will be implemented and practiced throughout the day. Hand sanitizer will be available in key common areas as well as in each classroom.

School Environment Changes



All classes will have assigned seats for desks, tables, and floor spots. Essential furniture and supplies will remain in classrooms. Students and Staff will be required to wear a mask a majority of the time in classroom settings.



A prepackaged breakfast will be available. Lunch choices will be limited and prepackaged. Tables will be cleaned between each grade level lunch.



Cafeteria seating will be staggered at each table and some students will eat lunch in alternate settings or their classrooms to reduce the number of students in the cafeteria.



Students will use alternating recess zones to reduce the number of students outside on the playground.



Parents/visitors will not be permitted inside the building until further notice.



Water bottles are encouraged for all students and may be filled in classroom sinks. Drinking fountains will not be operational. Please make sure water bottles are labeled and cleaned nightly.



There will be a staggered morning arrival and dismissal procedure for bus and car riders. More detailed information will be shared in future communications.



Any snack for a class must be individually packaged and commercially prepared.



Sharing of supplies in all settings will be minimized. Teachers will be limiting the amount of materials that go back and forth between school and home.

Reopening guidelines effective July 22, 2020. This information is subject to change.