



OLENTANGY SCHOOLS

2021-2022 HEALTH & PREVENTION GUIDANCE



FACE MASKS: Face masks are mandatory for all students, staff, and visitors in Preschools, Elementary Schools and Middle Schools. Face masks will continue to be strongly recommended for staff, students, and visitors in High Schools.



PHYSICAL DISTANCING: Individuals will be physically distanced by 3 feet when possible.



PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE): Desk and table sneeze guards will be available for students and staff upon request, including in the school cafeterias.



HAND WASHING/HAND SANITIZING: Increased hand washing will continue to be emphasized throughout the school day. Hand sanitizer will continue to be placed in classrooms and throughout the buildings. Students will be encouraged to sanitize their hands throughout the day.



CLEANING AND DISINFECTING: Routine cleaning protocols will continue throughout all school buildings and buses.



VACCINATIONS: The Ohio Department of Health continues to encourage our community to get vaccinated against COVID-19. The COVID-19 vaccine is not required for staff and students.



TRANSPORTATION: Per federal requirement, face masks will be required to be worn by all students, staff and school bus drivers while on the bus. Hand sanitizer will be available on all school buses. Students will have an assigned seat and will be seated up to the bus capacity. Each bus will continue to be cleaned and disinfected daily.



AIR FLOW/HVAC: The building HVAC systems will continue to be programmed to bring in more outside air throughout the day. Final air filtering for district school buildings is through a MERV 13 filter, which is rated for bacteria and virus carriers.



FOOD SERVICE: For contact tracing, preschool, elementary and middle school students will sit at assigned lunch room tables. High school students will continue to scan QR codes to track lunch room seating. Table dividers will be available for students upon request.

CONTACT TRACING AND QUARANTINE

- The Delaware Public Health District (DPHD) will conduct all contact tracing for highly infectious diseases.
- Staff and students should continue to report positive COVID-19 test results to the DPHD. As is the current DPHD policy, fully vaccinated individuals will not need to quarantine if exposed to a COVID-19 positive individual unless symptoms are present.
- The communications team will follow the District's communicable disease notification process and notify impacted classrooms and/or buildings when needed.
- The DPHD is responsible for quarantining individuals who have come into close contact with a person who is positive for COVID-19. Wearing a mask helps keep children in school, since unvaccinated students not wearing a mask are at a greater risk of quarantine if exposed to a positive case.