



# Longwood Central School District

Below is a summary of the reopening plans and COVID-19 mitigation strategies for the start of the school year on  
**Wednesday, September 1, 2021.**

## **Masks**

- Masks will be required for all students and staff indoors regardless of vaccination status.
- Masks will not be required outdoors for recess, physical education (when properly distanced), and outdoor learning.
- Mask breaks will be built into the school day.

## **Physical Distance**

- Three (3) feet of physical distance will be maintained between students in instructional spaces to the greatest extent possible.
- Desk shields have been removed from all classrooms.

## **Contact Tracing**

- According to recent guidance issued by the Suffolk County Department of Health, students separated by three (3) feet and masked, are not deemed as close contacts and do not need to quarantine.

## **Cleaning Protocols**

- Classrooms will be cleaned daily.
- Desks and high-touch surfaces, including doorknobs, handrails, light switches, and shared common areas, will be wiped down.
- Hand sanitizer is available in all classrooms as well as high-traffic locations.

## **Distance Learning**

- We are committed to welcoming our students back to full-time, five (5) day per week in-person instruction safely. There will be no hybrid or full distance learning program options.
- While students learn best in school, medically fragile students can follow the 504 processes and work with their doctors, and the district, to determine appropriate accommodations.

## **Transportation**

- Masks are required on buses.
- Physical distancing is not required on buses.
- Cleaning and disinfecting of buses will take place daily.

## **Visitors to Schools**

- Visitors are welcome, by appointment only, through the building principals. All visitors must wear masks and maintain health and safety guidelines

## **Athletics**

- The NYS Public High School Athletic Association and Section XI intend to run a full fall sports season.
- Home and visitor spectators are permitted indoors with masks and should sit six (6) feet away from others. Masks are not required outdoors.

The health and safety of our school community remains our top priority. All schools will continue to implement key mitigation strategies recommended by the CDC to support safe learning environments and reduce the spread of COVID-19, including wearing masks, physical distancing to the greatest extent possible, handwashing, cleaning, and maintaining healthy environments.