



Key Information

- Classrooms and other common use areas should be sanitized multiple times throughout the day; “high touch areas” will be sanitized throughout each campus; a complete daily and weekly disinfection process at each school may assist preventing a spread of COVID–19
- All cleaning and sanitation will follow the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommendations and guidelines
- All school buses will be cleaned and disinfected at the end of each operational day per CDC guidelines
- Classrooms will be sanitized often as possible throughout the school day and disinfected daily after student release daily

Frequently Asked Questions

1. How will staff and students be informed of safety and hygiene procedures?

Select staff receive safety and hygiene training. Requests for additional training may be submitted to MCSD, Personnel Department. Students receive lessons on safety and hygiene upon their return to in-person instruction.

2. What cleaning and safety measures will be used in the kitchens and cafeterias?

The standard safety and sanitation hygiene protocols remain in place as prior to COVID-19. In addition, the kitchen staff are using microfiber cloths versus standard cloths for cleaning and maintain a regular high frequency schedule of sanitizing all surfaces. Only authorized staff may enter kitchens and food preparation areas, which reduces opportunities for contamination. Kitchens are highly regulated and are inspected often by the following agencies: MCSD, MCOE, Public Health and Safety, CDE, and USDA. Lastly, staff must maintain personal hygiene practices as required for food handling. Students are

required to sanitize or wash hands prior to receiving their meals and are encouraged to maintain a 6ft physical distance to the best of the ability.

3. How have Preschool and YEP program cleaning procedures been improved as a result of COVID–19?

The Preschool and YEP programs follow strict guidelines per state licensing and are currently in high standing with the Environmental Rating Scale that ensures cleaning and disinfecting as part of the daily routine. Due to COVID–19, these procedures are applied with more frequency for disinfecting of high-touch points and materials between use, and as needed. When possible, items are not directly shared between children and each room is sanitized / disinfected daily.

4. How will schools be cleaned?

Increased frequency for sanitizing all "high touch points" each hour, or as closely as possible to this expectation remains standard for all campuses. This standard was previously established in the earliest prevention planning stages. This expectation is unchanged as previously published within the MCSD reopening handbook. Each classroom receives nightly disinfecting or sanitizing with the ionized mister (non-ozone producing). All classrooms are thoroughly inspected and are disinfected and/or sanitized based on the requirement to ensure the highest standards for student and staff safety.

5. How and how often will classrooms, common areas, and buses be cleaned?

MCSD disinfects all assigned classrooms, scheduled in-service school buses, and actively used common areas frequently and at various times throughout each school day. Our custodial and transportation staffs focus on sanitizing "high touch points" of each campus and school bus with an increased frequency throughout each day. Daily disinfecting provided through an ionized misting spray process, assists with preventing spread of COVID–19.