

Topics for Discussion: Back to School 2020 – 21

Review and bring items relevant to your district or work site to the discussion table.

1. Facilities

- When will all buildings receive a deep cleaning?
- Will individual classrooms receive a daily cleaning, including spraying with a disinfectant?
- How often will the HVAC filters be replaced?
- Modifications made to classrooms as in “stalls” around student desks or teacher desks?

2. Transportation

- Limit number of students on the bus?
- Running multiple routes?
- Bus stops or pick-ups at individual homes?
- Seating charts on the bus?
- Temperature checks for each student before they get on the bus?
- Disinfecting each bus after each route?
- Leave windows open to allow fresh air to circulate?
- Encourage parents to drive their children to school and pick them up each day?
- Transporting students between buildings or to career centers?

3. Personal Health and Self-Care

- Temperature screening at each entrance if not screened on the bus?
- Temperature screening of students and staff?
- Staff self-screening for temperature?
- What to do with students that have a COVID-level temperature?
- Separate nurse’s office for students/staff with COVID-like symptoms during the day?
- What is required for staff or students to re-enter school once they have displayed COVID symptoms, been exposed to COVID or actually have the virus?
- Move medically fragile students to homebound status?
- How will vulnerable staff be assigned?
- Will we have a nurse or nurse’s aide in every building?
- Student showers after PE?

4. Safety Compliance

- Handwashing stations in each classroom?
- Hand sanitizer in each classroom and throughout the buildings?
- Bottled water provided instead of water fountains?
- Students and staff required to wear masks all day?
- If required, will school corporation provide the masks?
- Posters throughout the building on proper use of masks, hand washing and hand sanitizer?
- If students required to wear masks, how will that be enforced?
- Training for all staff on these items?
- Hazmat containers for used PPE?



5. Social Distancing

- How will classrooms be set up?
- How can we limit student papers?
- Plexiglass dividers around student desks?
- Plexiglass around teacher desk?
- How will labs be handled?
- Staff lounge – limit use?
- Staff work area – who is cleaning copier?
- Plexiglass in the front office area?
- Move study halls to auditorium or gym to free up classroom space?
- Individual materials for art, music and lab classes?
- How will student registration be conducted?
- How will we conduct mandatory drills this year?
- Limit visitors to the buildings?
- Student teachers?
- Limit outside organizations from using the buildings?

6. Scheduling and Curriculum

- Full schedule with everyone back to school?
- Hybrid?
- All e-learning?
- Assessment of where students stand after last nine weeks of e-learning?

7. Staffing

- Options for teachers/staff that are vulnerable/high risk?

Items for discussion specific to e-learning

1. Curricular Issues

- Professional development – when and how delivered?
- Changes to curriculum?
- Technology needs for both teachers and students?
- Platform to deliver e-learning?

2. Evaluations

- Changes made considering e-learning?
- Observations?
- Use of zoom videos to observe?
- Improvement plans from 2019 – 20?

3. Student Issues

- Consistent attendance policy.
- Should parents sign privacy waiver for student to participate in tele-conferencing?
- Reporting suspected abuse.
- Duty to report if don't hear from students?



4. Professional Development

- Regular common planning time for grade-alike teachers to plan virtual lessons?
- Regular faculty meetings to ensure staff wellness and opportunities for problem solving?

5. Equity

- What will we do to help with connectivity?
- Devices?
- Paper packets? – distribution and collection?

