

2021-22 Kohler School District Safe Return to In-Person Instruction & Continuity of Services Plan

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- Temperature of greater than 100° F/38° C
- Active productive cough
- Frequent sneezing
- Non allergy runny nose
- Flu like symptoms

2021-22 School Year Plans Maintaining Health and Safety	
<p>The learning environment protocols and procedures regarding the Covid-19 virus must be fluid, as it relates to the community transmission levels. Any protocols or procedures are subject to change at any time.</p> <p>We have monitored our local data trends and past outcomes to create our 2021-22 plans. As we have learned from the past, local transmission trends can change quickly and will result in a change of procedures within the school. We will be monitoring for evidence of school linked transmission on a case by case basis.</p> <p>Our mitigation strategies will be very fluid and may change. We will notify families of changes as they occur.</p>	
5 days/week in person learning	Students will be in school 5 days/week with in person learning. There will be no long term virtual learning format.
COVID-19 positive case	<p>Everyone, regardless of vaccination status:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Stay home for a minimum of 5 days. ● <i>If you have no symptoms</i> or your symptoms are resolved after 5 days, you can return to school. ● Continue to wear a mask around others for 5 additional days (This is mandatory) ● <p><i>If you have a fever, continue to stay home until your fever resolves.</i></p>

<p>Close contact for vaccinated students</p>	<p>If you: have been boosted OR completed the primary series of Pfizer or Moderna vaccine within the last 6 months OR completed the primary series of J&J vaccine within the last 2 months</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wear a mask around others for 10 days. • Test on day 5, if possible. <p><i>If you develop symptoms, get a test and stay home.</i></p> <p>We will be monitoring for evidence of school linked transmission on a case by case basis.</p>
<p>Close contact and quarantine for unvaccinated students</p>	<p><u><i>If you are a household close contact or extended close contact (such as a sleepover) or if public health identified you as a close contact:</i></u></p> <p>If you: completed the primary series of Pfizer or Moderna vaccine over 6 months ago and are NOT boosted OR completed the primary series of J&J over 2 months ago and are NOT booster OR are unvaccinated</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stay home and quarantine for 5 days after your last known contact with the positive individual. After that continue to wear a mask around others for 5 additional days. • Test on day 5 if possible. <p><i>If you develop symptoms, get a test and stay home</i></p> <p>We will be monitoring for evidence of school linked transmission on a case by case basis.</p>
<p>Onsite COVID-19 testing for symptomatic students</p>	<p>We will have the ability to do onsite COVID-19 testing for students who have a signed parent permission form. Testing will be performed by the District Nurse, trained staff or our assigned health care provider partner.</p>
<p>Student Safety Mitigation Strategies</p>	
<p>The following mitigation measures have been put in place at this time to limit the spread and to protect students, families and staff for a safer learning environment. Our mitigation strategies will be very fluid and may change. We will notify families of changes as they occur.</p>	
<p>Stay home if you have symptoms</p>	<p>We continue to encourage all staff and students to do a self check of symptoms each morning before school. Adults and students with the following signs and symptoms should stay home:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Temperature of greater than 100° F/38° C

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Masks	<p>Masks will be optional for all. We encourage staff and students to wear masks and to consider them especially if unvaccinated.</p> <p><i>If we identify school related spread, masks may be temporarily required for all students.</i></p>
Air Ventilation system	<p>We have a high quality air ventilation system installed in our school. Fresh air circulates through our building every 10 minutes. In addition, in 2021 the District installed a cutting edge air purification system to kill viruses, bacteria, and mold.</p>
Hand washing	<p>We encourage regular hand washing throughout each school day.</p>
Hand sanitizer	<p>Hand sanitizer stations are located in every classroom doorway as well as throughout the school. Staff and students will be required to hand sanitize before entering the classroom.</p>
Physical Distancing	<p>This past year we have learned how important personal space is to one's health and well being. The goal is to offer a quality learning experience while maximizing physical distancing as much as possible throughout the day. We encourage students to try to remain 3 feet apart as much as possible. We will do our best to keep children as far apart as possible to provide students their personal space.</p> <p>The plexiglass shields will remain in the main offices.</p>
Water fountains and Water bottles	<p>The water fountains will remain shut down at this time. Students will not be allowed to drink from the drinking fountains; however, they will be allowed to be used to fill up personal water bottles. Please ensure that your child has a water bottle each and every day.</p>
Busing	<p>A federal order is currently in effect to wear masks on any public transportation. EVERYONE must wear a mask on any school bus regardless of their vaccinated status.</p>
Arrival to school	<p>Students should not arrive at school before 7:40 a.m. There will be no supervision on the playground before 7:40 a.m.</p>
Playground	<p>We will not cohort students into groups or assign areas for play. The playground will be fully opened to play for all students.</p>

Cafeteria	<p>Students must wash their hands before eating and use hand sanitizer on their way out to recess or class. Tables will be sanitized between groups.</p> <p>Elementary students will continue to be classroom cohorted while eating lunch in the cafeteria.</p>
Classrooms	<p>Hand sanitizers will be found outside classroom doorways as well as portable hand sanitizers will be found in each classroom. Teachers will monitor the sanitizing stations to ensure adequate product is available throughout the day.</p> <p>As in the past, student school supply lists will request a container of Disinfectant wipes if possible. (We are aware that these supplies are often difficult to obtain.)</p> <p>Classroom doors will be left open as often as feasible so children can avoid touching door handles. Doors will remain in a locked position with the magnet in place for when the door would need to be closed for a specific activity or in case of an emergency situation.</p>
Restrooms	<p>Students will be expected to use proper handwashing practices.</p> <p>The bathrooms will be cleaned throughout the day in addition to being fully sanitized at the end of each school day.</p>
Continuity of Services/The Learning Environment	
Learning for Quarantined Students	<p>A virtual learning plan will be followed by affected individuals during the mandatory isolation and quarantine timeframe. Mandated quarantined students will be able to access learning through google classroom and may be able to participate in live learning sessions. Please be advised that access to virtual learning is ONLY for Covid related quarantined students and not for vacations.</p>
Google Classroom	<p>Teachers will continue to use the Google Classroom platform. This will provide students and families with a smoother transition should they need to move to a virtual format for quarantine.</p>
School Supply Drop Off (also known as Sneak Peek)	<p>School Supply Drop Off is scheduled for Monday August 30, 2021 from 3:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.</p>
Field Trips	<p>Field trips are currently being scheduled for the 2021-22 school year, however we are experiencing some bussing issues for the 2021-22 school year, and may not be able to secure buses on occasion.</p>

Parent volunteers	Visitors with a purpose will be welcome in the building. Please check in to the front office upon your arrival. Parent volunteers may need to submit to a background check.
Classroom treats	Chef Jeff will continue his birthday treat program and you will still be able to order the following treats from Chef Jeff: cookies, brownies, rice krispie treats or ice cream cups. Birthday treat order form
Student Social, Emotional, and Mental Health Needs	Additional counseling staff has been added to the middle school staff to address our students' social and emotional learning needs.
Staff Social, Emotional, and Mental Health Needs	The staff's social, emotional, and mental health needs may be addressed through the Employee Assistance Program provided through the District insurance program.
Periodic Review	The Kohler School District will periodically review and, as needed, revise the plan for the safe return to in-person instruction and continuity of services. The plan will be reviewed at least every six months.
Access to the plan	The Kohler School District has taken the following steps to make its plan available to the public: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The plan is posted on the school district website in multiple places ● The plan was sent to parents via our messaging systems. ● The plan is shared and discussed at Kohler School District Board of Education meetings where public comment is offered.