

Orion School District - Initial Reopening Plan

Disclaimer: This update, being provided as the District Return, is guided by the latest State guidance. As we keep discussing the guidance, we will provide updates to our families as this will have impacts on our community. Please understand this document is not a finalized document and information may change depending on released guidance from the State of Illinois or information gathered from our families. Thank you for your patience!

Face Coverings

- Masks are required for all students and adults by state mandate.
- Not required during eating.
- Potential creation of times for students/staff to be mask free.

Changes in the School Day

- Our goal is to have students attend school on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays as regular school days (8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.).
- Tuesdays and Thursdays will be designated as Remote Learning Days.
 - This allows additional time for deep cleaning.
 - Time to address Remote Learning for those students who cannot medically attend school.
 - A day off in between student attendance days allows for administration to implement an adequate response in the case of COVID symptoms being detected.

Preventative Measures

- Increased cleanings for each building in addition to deep cleanings on Fridays.
- Increased hand washing and hand sanitizing.

Social Distancing

- We will social distance as much as possible.
- Utilize spaces in each building to accommodate larger classes and rooms that cannot accommodate social distancing.

Daily Symptom Screening

- Must pass a daily COVID-19 symptom checklist.
 - Shared/Posted at each building.
 - Students exhibiting symptoms should remain home.
- Temperature Checks
 - Bus Students
 - Prior to boarding bus
 - All Students
 - Prior to entering building
- Each building will have designated entrance areas.
- Students with temperature of 100.4 degrees and above
 - Not allowed to attend school
 - Must be fever free for 24 hours and have a doctor's diagnosis that the fever was not due to COVID-19

Lunch

- Students will be eating lunch in the classrooms at the elementary school, and common areas and additional areas throughout OMS and OHS.
- Recess will be provided for K-5.
- Lunch will be available for pick up for students unable to attend.

Restrooms and Passing Periods

- Scheduled restroom breaks at C.R. Hanna and OMS to ensure social distancing.
- OHS will limit the number of occupants at one time.
- Movement throughout buildings will be limited at C.R. Hanna, OMS, and OHS.
- OMS and OHS will utilize staggered passing periods.

Transportation

- Temperature checks prior to boarding bus.
- Parent/Guardian must be immediately available if a student is unable to board the bus.
- All students will be required to wear a mask on the bus.

Parent Communications

- Our goal is to continue to provide as much detailed information as possible on a timely basis!

Face Coverings

- ISBE and IDPH are currently only recommending face masks as an appropriate face covering.

Locker Use at Orion Middle School and Orion High School

- Staggered dismissal will be used for locker dismissal.

Curriculum and Instruction

- Instruction, assignments, assessments, and grading will be consistent for on-site and remote learning.
- Traditional grading practices will be used for the 2020-2021 school year.
- District will provide electronic devices, but families will need to ensure internet capability.
 - Please contact our IT Department if you do not have internet access.

Flowchart

- District is working with the Henry County Office of Emergency Management, Henry/Stark County Health Department, and the Illinois Department of Public Health.
- Goal is to provide scenarios that may happen during the school year with student/staff illness and how the District might respond.
- In ALL cases, Health Department will be involved with developing timelines for student and staff return.
- Timelines may change due to Health Department guidance.

DISCLAIMER

This update is being provided as the District Return to Learn Team has discussed the latest State guidance and how the guidelines impact opening our school this Fall. We discussed all items on our agenda and will begin meeting at building levels. As we keep discussing the guidance, we will provide updates to our families, as this will have impacts on our community.

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