

Centralia City Schools #135
2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR
TENTATIVE REOPENING PLAN

Centralia City Schools administration, teachers, and staff have worked to create a tentative plan that will provide our students with a quality education, while still allowing the district to be in compliance with guidelines from the Illinois State Board of Education, the Illinois Department of Public Health, and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Please understand that these plans may change based on updated guidance from the aforementioned organizations. We appreciate our families' patience and understanding as we navigate mandates with which we must comply.

ANTICIPATED START DATE: AUGUST 20, 2020

- Start time similar to previous years
- Two options for families:
 - Four days a week in-person, one day a week remotely
 - Remote learning (this will NOT be the same program as during the school closure in the spring)

**ENHANCED
CLEANING
PROTOCOL**

- Increased availability of hand sanitizer
- Safe, effective cleaning products that are aligned to CDC guidelines will be used on a schedule throughout the day in all high-touch areas in school/classroom and on the bus
- Additional cleaning throughout the day with intense cleaning after dismissal and on remote learning days

COVID HOME QUARANTINE

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| RETURNING AFTER ABSENCE RELATED TO COVID-19 LIKE SYMPTOMS (UNTESTED) | At least 3 days (72 hours) have passed with no fever, without use of fever reducing medications, and improvement of symptoms AND at least 10 days have passed since symptoms first appeared. |
| RETURNING AFTER POSITIVE COVID-19 TEST WITH SYMPTOMS: | At least 10 days have passed since first symptoms, at least 3 days (72 hours) have passed with no fever, without use of fever reducing medications, and improvement of symptoms AND Two (2) negative COVID tests in a row, at least 24 hours apart, or a physician's note authorizing safe to return to school, or school related activities. |
| RETURNING AFTER POSITIVE COVID-19 TEST WITHOUT SYMPTOMS: | At least 10 days have passed since the date of first positive test, and no symptoms have developed AND two (2) negative COVID tests in a row, at least 24 hours apart, or a doctor's note authorizing safe return to school, or school related activities. |
| RETURNING AFTER EXPOSURE TO COVID-19 | 14 days have passed since the date of exposure, with no onset of symptoms (length of time during which symptoms will appear). If the exposure was from a member of your household, an additional 14 days have passed since the positive person was released from quarantine. |

HEALTH AND SAFETY PROTOCOLS

DIVIDED CARE LOCATIONS

There will be an area for students displaying symptoms who are waiting to be picked up and another area for medication distribution, etc. Each building is scheduled to have a nurse.

MASKS

Due to Illinois State Board of Education and health department guidelines, it is currently required that all staff and students wear a mask.

SEATING CHARTS

Seating charts will be required on buses, in classrooms, and in any other areas where students and staff may be present. Siblings will be seated together on buses when possible.

TRAINING

Professional development will be provided to all staff at the start of the school year on prevention, social distancing, screening, and contact tracing.

HAND WASHING

Regular hand washing and hand sanitizer usage will be encouraged throughout the school day.

VISITORS/VOLUNTEERS

Visitors/guests will only be admitted to the building with prior approval/ appointments. Visitors/guests who must enter the school will be limited to the main office, must wear a mask, and may be screened.

WATER BOTTLES

The district will provide students with a reusable water bottle. All water fountains will be used only for the purpose of refilling water bottles.

SCREENING

All students and staff will be screened before gaining entry to the buildings. If a child is ill or is presenting symptoms, he or she will be sent home.

CHANGES TO THE CLASSROOM AND SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT

SCHOOL AND DISTRICT EVENTS

- Family events will be primarily virtual
- Student events will be held virtually or in-person with strict social distancing in a highly structured environment
- No external field trips until further notice
- Facility usage for groups has been suspended

BREAKFAST/LUNCH

- To follow guidelines and ensure safety, breakfast/lunch may be eaten in classrooms
- No visitors for lunch
- Students will sit by homeroom class
- Seating charts will be used in areas where students are eating
- Proper cleaning will occur

CLASSROOMS

- Changes will be made to classrooms to create more personal space
- Students will face the same direction as much as possible
- Students and staff will be expected to wear a mask to comply with ISBE and IDPH guidelines
- Students will be required to immediately report to classrooms upon entering the school and may not congregate in hallways
- Staff will minimize sharing of supplies

PE/RECESS/EXTRACURRICULARS

- Lessons and procedures will include steps that reduce the potential of cross-contamination
- Jr. High students will not be required to dress for PE
- PE will be outdoors to the greatest extent possible
- In inclement weather, lessons will be tailored to the classroom setting
- Recesses and breaks will be scheduled
- Extra-curriculars will follow SIJHSAA guidelines

BUS TRANSPORTATION

- Students will be screened by a bus monitor before entering a bus
- Students will have assigned seats
- All students will be required to wear a mask during transportation
- Windows will be open for cross-ventilation when possible
- Numbers of students on the buses will be fewer than 50
- Routes will be adjusted to accommodate as needed

We appreciate understanding that these plans are in place to be in compliance with guidelines that the school district must follow. These plans are subject to change as new guidance is shared with the schools.

This plan is tentative as of July 14, 2020.