



Safe Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Services Plan

The Pleasant View R-VI School District will open its doors to students for the 2021-22 school year on August 25th, 2021! In light of the current and ever changing situation with COVID-19, we must make certain adjustments to our school day and procedures. Our Reopening Plan is divided into three phases based on if we have any active cases in our school. We will begin the year in Phase 1.

Open House will take place on August 23rd at 6:00pm. The evening will begin with a short welcome from the staff and Community Club and then families will be dismissed for a meal and to visit their children's classrooms.

While we will continue to encourage social distancing, we cannot fully separate students from one another. We will allow the following grades to interact with each other during lunch, recess, and some special classes: KEYS, preschool with kindergarten, first with second grade, third with fourth and fifth grade, and sixth with seventh and eighth grade. While we hope that these adjustments will be temporary, we will continue them as long as necessary to keep our students, staff, and families safe.

Phase 1: No active cases in our school

- Students and staff that are not feeling well will have their temperature checked. If the temperature is at or above 100.0 they will not be permitted to attend until they have been fever free without fever reducing medication for 24 hours.
- All students (including preschool before 7:30am) will enter through the front doors.
- Students or staff will not be allowed to attend school if they test positive for COVID-19, a member of their immediate family has tested positive for COVID-19, or if they have been identified as a person that has had close contact with a person that has tested positive for COVID-19. The school will work very closely with the Grundy County Health Department to enforce this.
- All students and staff MUST have a personal water bottle for their own use. Water bottle fillers will be available in three locations in the school for student use.
- Students riding the bus will have the same assigned seat each day. Families will be seated together.
- Lunch periods will remain at the same time, but class groups will eat at separate tables with as much spacing as possible. Eating outside will be encouraged as much as the weather permits.
- Staff will encourage handwashing and model appropriate handwashing techniques at multiple times throughout the day.
- Parents will not be permitted inside of the building without an appointment. We will install a drop box outside of the building for items that need to be given to the office or a student.

- Masks are not required. If a student or staff member wishes to wear one, they must provide their own.
- Students will be allowed to participate in extracurricular activities, with a signed waiver from a parent or guardian. For athletic events, we will follow MSHSAA guidelines. We will recommend social distancing.
- All students and staff will have weekly access to a peer counselor for their social, emotional, and mental health. Peer counselors will meet with each class weekly with the opportunity to meet individually.
- Students that are quarantined will be able to check out a device to use at home. Additionally, classes will be available to students through Zoom or Google Meet so that additional classtime is not lost and learning will continue.
- As always, if students or staff are not feeling well, we encourage them to stay home.

Phase 2: A case of COVID-19 in student or staff

If the school enters Phase 2, we will have the following changes to Phase 1.

- The classes in close contact with the active case will switch to virtual learning until cleared by the health department.
- We will follow local health department guidelines for extracurricular activities.
- Classes will eat in more areas of the building to increase social distancing.
- Classes will no longer interact with their class group. Specials classes may be shortened to allow each class their own time.
- Field trips evaluated on a case by case basis.
- Masks will be strongly encouraged.

Phase 3: Community spread in the school building

- The school building will close and we will transition to virtual classrooms. More information will be provided in a Remote Learning Plan from the school and each teacher.
- All staff not exhibiting symptoms or considered a close contact will report to the building Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 8am-3:30pm.
- Teachers will post video educational materials on those days, assign assignments, grade homework, and answer questions from students. On Tuesday and Thursday, students are to work on the assigned work. Teachers will have office hours from 8am-3:30pm but are permitted to work from home.
- Support staff will report and will assist with childcare, meal preparation, and custodial work.
- The school will reopen as soon as the Grundy County Health Department deems it is safe to do so.

Mitigation and Prevention Strategies

- **Masks-** Masks are allowed. The decision to wear masks will be left up to the individual.
- **Physical distancing-** Students will be in their class groups and spaced apart as able.
- **Handwashing and Respiratory Etiquette-** Proper etiquette will be taught and reinforced.
- **Cleaning and Maintaining Healthy Facilities-** Increased cleaning for high-touch surfaces.
- **Contact Tracing-** We will work with the local health department to conduct contact tracing.

- **COVID Diagnosis and Testing-** Testing is available through the local hospital clinic.
- **Vaccination Events-** The school will share information about vaccination events.
- **Accommodations for Children with Disabilities-** Accommodations as necessary or as mandated by the Individual Education Plan.

Periodic Revision

The SRCSP will be reviewed and revised by the superintendent and Pleasant View Board of Education no less than every six months. The initial plan was adopted on June 15, 2021. Consultation will occur with a group of students, parents, superintendent, special education director, staff of Pleasant View R-VI, and stakeholders representing underserved students. To be part of the review process, please contact the school at 660-359-3438.

Understandable Language

If you need or know someone who needs this plan translated or read to them, please contact Rebecca Steinhoff at 660-359-3438.