

Reopening Plan Summary

Flat Rock-Hawcreek Schools 2021-2022

It is our intent to open school as “normal” as possible while still maintaining safe procedures and protocols that fight the spread of Covid 19. Flat Rock-Hawcreek School Corporation continues to work closely with the Bartholomew County Health Department, representatives from Columbus Regional Hospital, and members of the Bartholomew Consolidated School Corporation leadership team to maintain a comprehensive plan to remain open for in-person instruction for the 2021-2022 school year. FRHC will continue to monitor guidance from the Indiana Department of Education, Indiana State Department of Health, and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. FRHC administration will adjust guidelines as needed based on any changes related to Covid 19.

Face Coverings

This year face coverings will be optional for staff and students in most cases. Face coverings will be required on school buses in order to comply with the federal mandate for all public transportation. FRHC expects the federal mandate to expire mid-September and plans to make face coverings optional upon that expiration.

Wellness Checks

FRHC is suspending temperature checks for the 2021-2022 school year. Parents and Guardians should use the most recent guidelines provided by the Indiana Department of Health for at home screenings before sending their children to school. That screening tool can be found [here](#). Students and staff that are ill should continue to stay home and report any Covid related symptoms to our district nurse, Lori Kistler. Staff and students will still be required to report any known positive cases of Covid.

Physical Distancing

Where possible classrooms will be set up with the CDC recommended spacing of 3 feet between desks. FRHC staff will continue to encourage students to maintain at least 3 feet of social distancing when on campus. All students 7-12 will be assigned a locker for the 2021-2022 school year.

Contact Tracing

Contact tracing will be conducted for individuals that have been within 6 feet of a known positive case for more than 15 minutes during a 24-hour period.

Each close contact identified will be notified personally. FRHC **will not** require every close contact to quarantine. A quarantine **may be** required if the person is known to have direct contact with the positive case or the district's positivity rate increases rapidly.

Hand Hygiene

Hand sanitizer will remain accessible in designated areas of the building including classrooms. Frequent hand washing and/or sanitizing will be encouraged. All students will have opportunities for hand washing/sanitizing before and after meals, recess, and sharing of supplies.

Health Clinic

Students and staff that wish to visit the Health Office for any reason will be required to wear a face covering. Isolation rooms will continue to be used in both the Elementary and High School Health Clinics for symptomatic visitors.

Visitors and Volunteers

Visitors and Volunteers will be allowed back in the buildings during the 2021-2022 school year. As before, please do not enter the building if you are ill or are experiencing any Covid related symptoms.

Cleaning and Sanitizing

Additional cleaning and sanitizing protocols will remain in place as they were last school year. Cleaning rotations will allow for high use areas to be cleaned multiple times per day.

Water Fountains

Water fountains will be fully operational. Each building is equipped with a bottle filling station and students are encouraged to bring their own refillable bottles.

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