



# FIRST STEPS TOWARD REOPENING FOR THE 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR

## VIGILANT SCREENING



### TEMPERATURE CHECKPOINTS

We have invested in high-tech, non-touch thermal imaging devices that will be used at the car rider line, front door entrance, main office, and our early childhood learning center to quickly assess body temperatures. All students will complete a temperature check each morning on campus. Any child exhibiting a temperature of 100° or more will not be permitted to attend school. We will also have wellness and temperature screenings for all employees.

**PARENT RESPONSIBILITY :** Take temperatures before sending the student to school and asking basic wellness questions.



### ISOLATION ROOM

We have expanded our nurse's office. This new space will allow for a connected, but separate, isolation room for students who are ill and waiting to be picked up from school. **PARENT RESPONSIBILITY:** Make sure the office has updated contact numbers and someone is available to pick up a sick child within 15 minutes.



### HEALTH COMPLIANCE OFFICERS

The School Nurse and Administration Office will oversee health and safety standards and communication with the local health department regarding up-

## WASH AND SANITIZE HANDS



We will provide hand sanitizer in every classroom, as well as hand sanitizing stations in our high traffic areas.. Additionally, teachers will have a classroom schedule for routine and frequent hand washing and sanitizing. **PARENT RESPONSIBILITY:** Discuss with your student the importance of washing hands and keeping them away from their face.

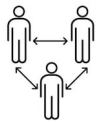
## CLEAN SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT



We will increase the use of our Disinfectant Spray System to clean and sanitize classrooms. This cleaning system includes sprayer that delivers cleaning solution to the front, back, and sides of surfaces. We will also regularly sanitize high-contact areas (i.e., doorknobs, banisters, and restroom facilities). Drinking fountains will not be available for use. Each teacher will lead a cleaning routine at least once a day. This will include hand washing, sanitizing, and cleaning of desks and materials. Students will not change rooms.

## PHYSICAL DISTANCING EFFORTS & COHORT GROUPING

SOCIAL DISTANCING



By offering in-person instruction to all students, we acknowledge that we will generally be unable to achieve six feet of physical distance consistently. Adjusted classroom practices and routines, however, will decrease the contact and increase the distance (to 3-6 feet) typically experienced by students. With few exceptions, students will remain in contact with only their classroom cohort (i.e., homeroom) and, at limited times, members of their grade level. • Student seating in classrooms will be adjusted so all students face forward. Clustered groups will be avoided. •Floor markers and signs will be posted in common areas reminding students and staff to maintain a reasonable distance from others. •Additionally, classroom doors will remain ajar, and windows will be left open to increase air circulation. •Students will continue to have access to their lockers with limited locker visits and will follow a schedule throughout the day.

## FACE COVERINGS



All faculty and staff will be required to wear face coverings, as will all visitors to the main office. Students in grades K-5 will be required to wear a face covering for the majority of the school day (exceptions include outdoor recess and lunch). Canton City Transportation does require all students to wear face coverings on the bus.

## SPECIALS



### ART

Students will enjoy ART lessons once a week. The Art Teacher will instruct in the students' homeroom. Each student will be provided their own art materials.



### MUSIC

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### PE

Students will again have PE two days each week. The PE Teacher will conduct physical activities appropriate for the location of the class (i.e. gym, parking lot,



## OTHER SCHOOL ADAPTATIONS



### MASS

After Labor Day, Mass will continue to be held on Fridays. All persons attending will follow the Parish Safety Plan (wear masks, distancing, etc.) Only 3 grade levels will attend the Parish for Mass; the other half will attend the live Mass Virtually. They will alternate weekly.

### MEALS

All students will again have the opportunity to participate in our free breakfast and lunch program with these changes:



**BREAKFAST:** Upon arrival, students will keep their bus face covering on and enter the school through the Social Hall entrance and sanitize their hands at one of the two sanitizing stations. Then proceed to one of the two breakfast lines following the distancing markers, to pick up their breakfast treats and continue to their classrooms where their teachers will be waiting to greet/instruct them. The classroom teachers will take student temperatures during the morning routine/breakfast.

**NOTE:** Those students arriving by car or walking will also enter through the Social Hall door and also wear a face covering. Then follow the above procedures.

**LUNCH:** Lunch will be served in the classrooms at a given time for each grade level. Opportunities will be provided prior to lunch for students to wash

### RECESS



When weather permits, students will continue to enjoy recess outside. Students in grades K-3 will have a 15 minutes recess in the morning or afternoon and also before or after lunch. Teachers will monitor their own class for recess and is dependent on their instruction schedule. Grades 4 & 5 will also have 1 to 2 15 minutes recesses depending on their instruction schedule. Teachers are aware of the importance of having students participate in movement throughout the day as most of their day will be inside their classroom. If there are 2 grade levels enjoying recess at the same time, one will be on the upper playground and the other on the lower playground, alternately. Appropriate activities, distancing, sharing of equipment and face coverings will be guided by the Health Compliance officers.

### VISITORS

While we will allow visitors in the secure lobby, we will significantly limit visitor access to other parts of the building and may require an appointment. Students being picked up early due to illness or appointments will join their parents in the lobby. Parents will still need to sign in and sign out students.

Kindergarten presents some additional challenges for both student and parent as the first days of school are sometimes scary for some. Special considerations will be discussed per parent concerns for the first few days on an individual basis.

**Volunteers are not permitted.**

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

This plan outlines our *first steps* as we prepare to reopen for the 2020-2021 school year. We will continue to revise and adjust this plan based upon guidance from local and state authorities, and we will continue to keep you updated regarding new developments. We are acquiring Chromebooks so all of our students in grades K-5 have access to a monitored in the event that there will be periods of distance learning through the school year. It is our goal to instruct students on these devices so that they may get the best instruction whether in or out of the building. We are committed to engage our students in the best educational practices regardless of the distance between us.

