



Perry Central Community School Corporation Reopening Plan 2021-2022

Perry Central Community School Corporation acknowledges that policies implemented by this Plan are intended for the safety of our students, families and staff, but they are also intended to mitigate, not eliminate, risk. As public health professionals have recognized, no single action or set of actions will completely eliminate the risk of COVID-19, but implementation of several coordinated interventions can greatly reduce that risk.

School Operations

- All students will attend in-person instruction 5 days per week.
- Virtual learning will only be available to students in quarantine due to COVID-19.
- Virtual learning *will not* be available for general illness, vacations, etc.
- Full-time online enrollment is only an option for medically vulnerable students, confirmed in writing from a physician, or for high school students enrolled in the alternative school.

Practicing Prevention

- *Students and staff will self-monitor temperature and symptoms daily. **STAY HOME IF YOU ARE SICK.***
- Teachers will begin each school day with a short list of screening questions for all students.
- We will teach & reinforce good hygiene measures such as handwashing and covering coughs.
- We will participate in contact tracing efforts as directed by local health officials.
- Only water bottle filling stations will be used (no traditional water fountain usage).
- Signage will be posted in classrooms, hallways, and entrances to communicate how to stop the spread, COVID-10 symptoms, preventative measures (including staying at home when sick) and good hygiene.
- Unnecessary congregations of students and staff will be limited.
- Parents, volunteers and visitors will be screened and required to wear a face mask if they are not vaccinated.

Masks

- Masks must be worn on the school bus due to a federal mandate for masks to be worn on public transportation.
- Masks will be optional on school grounds.
- We will adjust this plan according to community spread of COVID and/or local or state mask mandates.

Transporting Students

- *Per CDC order, masks are required to be worn on public transportation, which includes school buses.*
- Students will sit in assigned seats with siblings (when applicable).
- Bus attendance sheets will be maintained daily to facilitate contact tracing in the event of a positive case.
- All buses will enter through the pavilion parking lot and pull to cafetorium doors 18 and 19. Bus arrival will be staggered, beginning at 7:40 a.m.
- Buses will be sprayed with disinfectant weekly.

School Arrival and Departure

- Parents should not drop off students before 7:00 a.m.
- End-of-day student pick up will take place at the lower dome entrance for PK-grade 4 students and at the lower gym

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entrance for grade 5-12 students. Families will be assigned a number to be displayed in their vehicle.

- Students will be released to parents as they arrive, starting at 2:50 for K-2, 2:55 for 3-6 students and at regular 7th period release time (3:01 p.m.) for 7-12 students.

Cleaning Facilities

- Frequently touched surfaces will be cleaned/disinfected throughout the school day and shared objects after each use.
- All classrooms will be provided with disinfectant for wiping down desks and shared items.
- We will provide hand soap and hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol, paper towels, and no touch trash cans in all bathrooms, classrooms, and frequently trafficked areas.
- We will ensure that ventilation systems operate properly and increase circulation of outdoor air as much as possible, as long as this does not pose a safety or health risk to students or staff.
- School facilities will be cleaned/disinfected nightly.

Serving Meals

- Meals will be served in the cafeteria.
- To the extent practicable, students will maintain social distance while in line.
- Students will be in assigned seats.
- Cafeteria staff will distribute a la carte items, utensils, napkins, and condiments.
- Students will be provided a lunch card which can be scanned as they go through the line.

Large Group Gatherings

- Face masks/coverings will be encouraged for those who have not been vaccinated. *In the event of a statewide or local mask order, we will follow the requirements outlined in the order.*
- DOE/IHSAA/ISSMA guidelines will be followed for athletics.

Teaching & Learning in Classrooms

- Assigned seating will be used.
- Extended learning opportunities will be provided through after-school programs.
- Physical education students will not dress out or use locker rooms.

Illness and Health Office

- We will follow the guidelines prescribed by the [Indiana State Department of Health](#), which are subject to change over the course of the school year. Current guidelines are linked above.
- Individuals who have been vaccinated will not be required to quarantine if exposed to a COVID-positive person.
- Anyone exhibiting COVID-19 symptoms will be given a mask and placed in a COVID-19 isolation room (old health office across from high school office). Teachers should notify the health office that a student is on the way.
- The health office across from the high school office will be the COVID-19 isolation room.
- All waiting students/staff will be required to wear a face covering.
- ONLY essential staff will be allowed in the room. This includes the school nurse or designee. Appropriate PPE must be worn, which includes a surgical grade mask for the nurse.
- Students being picked up by parents/guardians will be walked out of the building to their parents.

COVID-19 Vaccinations

- Currently, COVID 19 vaccinations are not part of the required immunizations for school attendance.
- Students and staff who are eligible to receive a vaccination are encouraged to do so.
- Proof of vaccination is not required.
- Individuals who have been vaccinated will not be required to quarantine if exposed to a COVID-positive person.