

On Campus Learning Environment Considerations

Qualities of a Safe and Healthy School Environment During COVID-19 Pandemic	Steps Parker is Taking to Create a Safe and Healthy Environment for Learning on Campus
Physical Distancing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We are revising use of available indoor spaces to create learning environments with a minimum of 6' of physical distance between individuals. Maintaining 6' of distance between all people is a priority and classroom spaces will be arranged to make this a consistent reality. • As the weather improves, we will make outdoor "classroom" spaces accessible and more comfortable by erecting tents & awnings. • Masks are required for all students and staff. Regular (ideally outdoor) mask breaks will be built into daily classroom routines. Masks/face coverings should be provided by the student/family. Teachers of hearing-impaired students will wear clear masks.
Limiting Contacts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We are grouping students in cohorts to limit the number of contacts that each teacher/student has over the course of a day/week. The academic program and student groupings are organized to minimize the number of contacts between and among students and teachers. • The number of rooms/spaces a student moves between and learns in each day are minimized. • Students will not "roam free" in hallways or non-classroom areas. • Students will not gather in large groups (Weekly Gathering or Division-sized activities, for example).
Indoor Spaces	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We are prioritizing fresh air changes per hour in air handling/ventilation systems and supplementing with stand-alone fans and filtration systems as needed. To be adjusted seasonally. • We have changed HVAC filters and executed seasonal maintenance protocols. • In addition to promoting frequent hand washing, we are providing hand sanitizer (at least 60% ethanol or 70% isopropanol) in classrooms and common spaces. • Hand sanitizing will be required of everyone entering the school, before eating, before and after putting on and taking off masks/face coverings, and before dismissal. • We are labeling hallways and common spaces to support physical distancing. • We are placing appropriate posters throughout school about hand washing, wearing masks/face coverings, covering coughs/sneezes, physical distancing, direction in halls, etc. • We are prepared for frequent cleaning and sanitizing of classrooms and high-touch surfaces.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We have installed plexiglass barriers in some locations where physical distancing is difficult.
Food Service	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We are staggering meal times to support physical distancing. • Meal service will eliminate use of shared items. • Students will eat meals, physically distanced, in designated spaces by cohort.
Health Office	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students and staff should stay home if they are sick. • We are promoting a daily “symptom check” prior to leaving home for students and staff. • All students/staff are encouraged to get their flu vaccine. • All students should be up to date with their routine childhood and adolescent vaccinations. • School Nurse will do trainings for handwashing and donning/doffing masks/face coverings. • Students are not allowed to go to the Health Office unless the teacher has called and spoken to the nurse. Detailed instructions will be given. • Students are not to use the bathroom in the Health Office unless they are already in the Health Office due to illness. • We have prepared a “medical isolation room” for students and staff who display COVID-19 symptoms during the day. School nurse will use PPE if student presents with COVID-19 symptoms. • Parents must always be reachable so students can be picked up quickly when they are ill. • Drop-in visits are not allowed. Parents may call or email the school nurse to pick up or drop off medications or documents. • School nurse monitors absences.
Arrival/Departure/Carpool	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We are adjusting arrival and departure routines to support physical distancing.
Sports & Extra Curriculars	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We have adjusted seasonal sports offerings and methods of play to align with guidance from DESE/MIAA. • Any extra-curricular offerings will conform to school-day safety standards.