



2021-2022 School Year
School Board Presentation
August 17, 2021

Recap From June Presentation: What To Expect for The 2021-2022 School Year

Welcoming students back to full-time, in-person instruction!

- Full days, 5 days per week
- Maintain early release on Wednesdays
- Bus transportation services in AM and PM (Masks required on bus)
- Physical distancing moved from 6 feet to 3 feet
- District-developed protocols for:
 - Entry and screening
 - Cleaning and disinfecting
 - Visitors and volunteers

Our Goals

1. Keep our students in school all year, every day, for the entire school year.
2. Do everything we can to keep our students and staff healthy so we can accomplish goal #1.
3. Support our students throughout the year to thrive as they transition back into full-time learning:
 - a. Social Emotional Learning
 - b. Instructional interventions
 - c. Open communication with families and our community

Updated Timeline

- June 30, 2021- Ready Schools, Safe Learners document updated and replaced with the Resiliency Framework to guide the 2021-2022 school year
- July 29, 2021- Governor Brown directs OHA and ODE to create a rule requiring masks indoors for K-12 schools
- August 13, 2021- Oregon indoor mask mandate begins

Statewide mask requirement - **OAR 333-019-1015**

- The Oregon Health Authority has the authority to adopt rules to prescribe measures and methods for controlling reportable diseases, including COVID-19.
- Children are required to attend school, which is a congregate setting where COVID-19 can spread easily if precautions are not taken. Two of the most important tools the state has to control COVID-19 are vaccination and masking.
- Currently children under the age of 12 are not eligible to receive the COVID-19 vaccines authorized for emergency use.
- In order to protect students under age 12, individuals who are not vaccinated, and those with underlying health conditions that make them more susceptible to complications from COVID-19, as well as to minimize the disruption of student education in schools because of exposure to a confirmed or suspected case of COVID-19, requiring universal use of masks inside schools is necessary.

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- An individual is not required to wear a mask under section (3) of this rule if the individual is:
 - Actively eating or drinking.
 - Sleeping.
 - Playing a musical instrument that requires using the mouth.
 - Engaged in a sport during physical education class such as swimming, other water sports, or a sport where wearing a mask could be a strangulation hazard such as gymnastics or wrestling.
 - Alone in a private office enclosed by walls on all sides with a door that is closed.
 - Is under the age of two (2).

Statewide mask requirement - OAR 333-019-1015

- Schools must ensure that all individuals, including but not limited to staff, students, contractors and visitors wear a mask, except as provided in sections (4) and (5) of this rule, when in an indoor setting:
 - At school during regular school hours;
 - Engaged in educational activities such as field trips or off-campus classes during regular school hours; and
 - At school engaged in educational activities outside of regular school hours.
- A face shield may be worn instead of a mask if an individual cannot wear a mask for medical reasons.
- Nothing in this rule is intended to prohibit a school from complying with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), the Rehabilitation Act, or the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA).

Quarantine

- **Unchanged:** An exposure is defined as a susceptible individual who has close contact (less than 6 feet) for longer than 15 cumulative minutes in a day with a person who has COVID-19.
- **Unchanged:** If a student or staff member is diagnosed with COVID-19, then the LPHA should be consulted to review the situation.
- **Unchanged:** Fully vaccinated individuals do not need to quarantine.
- **Change:** If a school cannot confirm that 6 feet of distancing was consistently maintained during the school day, **or 3 feet of distancing with consistent mask use was maintained during the school day**, then each person the confirmed case was in contact with will need to quarantine – this could include all members of a stable cohort.
- **Change:** K-12 Quarantine Exception: Quarantine is not necessary for:
 - Students who were within 3 or more feet of a person with COVID-19;
 - Where both students were engaged in consistent and correct use of well-fitting face coverings; and
 - Other K-12 school prevention strategies were in place in the K-12 school setting.
 - This exception does not apply to teachers, staff, or other adults in the indoor classroom setting.



UNIVERSAL AND CORRECT USE OF FACE COVERINGS KEEPS KIDS LEARNING IN-PERSON, WHICH WE ALL AGREE IS BEST FOR STUDENTS.



Face coverings mean more days in school for students.



When students are at least 3' apart and everyone is wearing a face covering, students who are in close contact with someone with COVID-19 **don't need to quarantine** unless they have symptoms.



Without face coverings and at least 3' of distance, students in close contact to someone with COVID-19 **will need to quarantine, and miss school days**. This could include all members of the stable small group (cohort).



If no face coverings are worn and students do not distance, it becomes more difficult to track close contacts. Exposure to a confirmed case can compound when students shift to new classrooms or visit other indoor spaces in the school, such as the library or gym. This could lead to **quarantining of full grades or full school closure**.



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COVID-19 Testing in Schools

Diagnostic testing

- Test students or staff who develop symptoms at school or are exposed to COVID-19 at school.
- This testing program was rolled out in January 2021 and more than 90% of K-12 schools have registered.
- For some students, this COVID-19 testing in K-12 schools may represent their only access to a COVID-19 test and the importance of this access cannot be overstated.
- This testing may be used to shorten the length of quarantine for exposed individuals who test negative if this is recommended by the local public health authority.

Screening testing

- Test students or staff who do not have symptoms of, or exposure to, COVID-19.
- Seeks to reach unvaccinated students and staff, but enrollment is open to anyone and vaccination status is not verified.
- OHA offers separate screening testing programs for students and staff.

2021-2022 School Schedules

Elementary

- 5 days per week
- Beginning School (PreK)
 - 8:00AM-2:00PM (M,T, Th, F)
 - 8:00-1:30PM (W)
- K-5th Grades
 - 8:00AM-2:30PM (M,T, Th, F)
 - 8:00AM-1:30PM (W)

Secondary

- 5 days per week
- Middle School (6-8)
 - 8:30am - 3:30pm
 - 8:30am - 2:30pm (Wed)
- High School (9-12)
 - 8:30am - 3:35pm
 - 8:30am - 2:35pm (Wed)

Online Fall Registration

Elementary

- 2021-2022 K-5th Grade Registration is open online now.
- PreK registration continues to be open, but we are currently full and have a waitlist.

Secondary

- High School & Middle School Registration is currently open
- All new to the district HS students will have individual, in-person, scheduled appointments w/ counseling staff during week of August 23rd

Open House/Link Days

Elementary

- Open House for PreK-5th Graders on Thursday, September 2nd
- Masks required for everyone 2 years and older.
- 6:00-6:30 PM (Last Names A-F)
- 6:30-7:00 PM (Last Names G-M)
- 7:00-7:30 PM (Last Names N-Z)

Secondary

- HS Link Day -- Tues., Sept. 7
 - All Freshmen and new 10-12 students
- MS 6th Grade Orientation Day --
 - Tuesday, Sept. 7
 - All 6th Grade Students
- 6-12 Open House -- TBD

Athletics

All high school and middle school athletics will follow current OHA guidance:

- Participants (indoor and outdoor) are not required to wear masks
- All spectators and personnel attending **indoor** athletic events will be required to wear masks regardless of vaccination status

High School Fall Practice Date: Monday, August 16

- Cross Country, Soccer, Volleyball, & Football

Middle School Fall Practice Date: Monday, August 30

- Cross Country, Volleyball, & Football

All participation and registration questions should be directed to [Aaron Tanabe, Athletic Director](#) or [Kerri Boutin, Athletic Secretary](#) -- 503-738-5586

Elementary & Secondary Safety Protocols

- All students, staff, and visitors will be required to wear masks and sanitize their hands upon entering the building.
- Students will participate in a daily screening process prior to or upon entering.
- Regular & frequent cleaning and disinfecting procedures.
- Students will be spaced three feet apart to the extent possible.
- All classrooms are equipped with functioning air purifying systems.
- Contact tracing procedures are in place with assistance from our local health authority.
- Students and staff who are experiencing COVID-19 symptoms will not be allowed to come to school.

Questions?

Thank you!