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Amite County School District COVID-19 Plan for Students School Opening 2021-2022

This plan is subject to change based on guidance from the CDC, the MS Department of Health, orders by the Governor and/or local decisions.

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Transportation	Bus drivers, bus aides, and students will be required to wear masks/face covering. Hand sanitizer will be available on every bus. Car Riders – Students will arrive at school and have their temperature checked when they exit their vehicle. Buses will be sanitized at the conclusion of each route.
Temperature Checks for Students	All students will have their temperature checked before entering the school building. Students with elevated temperatures will be rescanned. A student who has a temperature 100.4 degrees or above, will be quarantined and required to go home.
Sick Students	Students identified with symptoms will be quarantined in a supervised isolation area with a mask/face covering. Parents will be contacted to pick up his/her child immediately. School procedures to minimize campus entry will be used when sick students are picked up.
Masks/Face Coverings	Masks/face coverings will be worn while students are in the buildings.
Personal Hygiene	Students will wash their hands with soap for 20 seconds and are encouraged to refrain from touching their face. Hand sanitizer will be located throughout the building in public spaces. The school district will have hand sanitizer available throughout buildings for student and employee use.
Water Bottles	Students are encouraged to bring a clean filled water bottle each day. They are encouraged to have the water bottle filled prior to arrival.
Classroom Distancing	Classrooms will be arranged to achieve the greatest level of distancing for students. Students will be spaced in classrooms to avoid contact. Cleaning solutions will be available for every classroom. Students will have hand sanitizer available to frequently clean hands. Each classroom will have disinfectant to use to keep student surfaces clean.
Student Check-ins and check-outs	Each school has a procedure for students to check-in and check-out that minimizes parent/guardian entry to the building. Students who check in will have their temperatures checked before entering.

	Students with temperatures 100.4 degrees or above will not be allowed to check in to school.
Student Hallway Travel/Class Change	Students will wear masks/face coverings while making class changes. All students will walk on the right side of the hallway in the direction of their class. They will avoid physical contact with other students and distance to the best of their ability.
Student Nutrition	Students will follow cafeteria guidelines during breakfast and lunch times. Hand sanitizer will be available in the cafeteria.
Technology Chromebooks Google Classroom	Chromebooks will be used in the traditional environment with each student assigned a device in the classroom. Students (grades 9-12) will have an assigned Chromebook and parents are encouraged to ensure the Chromebook is fully charged and ready for school daily. Sanitize technology devices by spraying a cloth with an alcohol-based solution (do NOT soak cloth, just dampen) and wipe the device. Never spray anything directly onto a technology device. Never use bleach or ammonia products on technology devices. Students will utilize Google Classroom for virtual and traditional instruction. Teachers will assign online assignments and examinations whenever possible to reduce the amount of paper assignments. One-to-one technology will provide a continuity of learning if a student is quarantined.
Mental Health-Whole Child Education	Our school district has developed procedures to assist students with resources to manage student mental health. Counseling is available at each campus.
Teacher/Parent Communication	The district will continue to use School Status Communications as our parent/teacher communication portal. It is very important that parents are responsive to our communication and provide feedback when requested. Parent-teacher conferences arranged through multiple online platforms will minimize the need for in-person contact. Some face-to-face meetings will be required and scheduled.
Attendance Policy	We are asking that parents notify their school within three hours of a COVID-19 diagnosis. Students who are out will be required to make up all school work. This will require the parents and the school to communicate regarding assignments.