



Shelby Public Schools

Learning Today for a Successful Tomorrow

Dear Shelby Public Schools Community,

As the start of the 2021-22 school year is less than two weeks away, Shelby Public Schools continues to pay close attention to the health and safety of our school community as we prepare for the return of students.

We are aware that the coronavirus is still present in our community. The health and safety of our staff, students, and families is still our top priority. As a result, the district intends to continue with emphasizing handwashing as well as daily deep cleaning and sanitizing of our buildings. We also ask parents to continue daily home health screening as students who are symptomatic or sick (fever, sore throat, cough, runny nose or other flu like symptoms) should stay home and seek medical care as necessary. We expect these mitigation measures will help with not only the spread of coronavirus, but also with other seasonal and common viruses. Ultimately, if coronavirus cases in our schools were to surge for any reason, we have the knowledge and experience to take the necessary steps to keep students and staff safe and in school.

Shelby Public Schools, being in Oceana County, is part of Michigan's Health Department #10. Currently, our health department **strongly recommends the use of masks inside our school buildings**. Additionally, our local health department still has the requirement to report positive cases, as well as require isolation and quarantine of these cases.

At this time, masks, testing, and vaccinations will be a choice for any student, staff member, or visitor, unless federal, state, and/or local requirements obligate us to mandate. We will continue to follow the law and any school mandates.

Per federal order, **masks must be worn on district buses and vans**, at this time.

Again, we are looking forward to the start of the 2021-22 school year, especially students returning in person to our buildings. If a parent is interested in virtual learning for this school year, please email Hiedi Michael at michh@shelby.k12.mi.us at our High School to fill out an application for enrollment. The deadline for enrolling in our virtual learning program is Thursday, September 2.

Please remember our first day of school is Tuesday, September 7, starting with a half day.

Sincerely,

Tim Reeves, Superintendent

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