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At home before school:

Families and employees are asked to screen your students at home for any concerning COVID symptoms prior to getting on the school bus or coming to school. Symptoms to watch for are:

- Cough
- Fever of 100 degrees or higher
- Shortness of breath
- Chills
- Muscle aches
- Sore throat
- New loss of taste or smell
- Vomiting / Diarrhea

If your student is experiencing any of these symptoms, we ask that the student please remain at home and consult your primary care physician.

Any absences occurred during the school year related to Covid-19 illness or quarantine will not negatively impact your student's attendance under the following guidelines:

- Students who are placed in isolation or quarantine by the district qualify for homebound instruction and must participate in 5 hours of instruction each week (can be virtual) in order to be considered "present" for school attendance purposes. However, IF the student does not participate in this virtual instruction, they MUST be counted absent.
- All school work will continue to be provided in either paper or electronic form regardless of the students' participation in the 5 hours of "homebound instruction".

School buses:

Students are welcome to ride the bus daily. Each bus will have a seating chart and will be loaded back to front.

Breakfast:

Students should not arrive at school before 7:40am. Upon arrival to school, breakfast will be served in the cafeteria. Elementary students will sit at assigned tables with their grade level to eat breakfast. Teachers will need to be at school at the regular report time of 7:40am to assist in supervision of students.

Lunch:

Students in grades PreK-8 will sit with their grade level during lunch time. These are the students they are with most of the day.

Day to day class activities:

Teachers will attempt to arrange their classrooms to allow for social distancing when possible. There will be times when this is not possible so the following measures will be taken in classrooms each day:

- All areas of the campus are mask-friendly and if staff or students wish to wear a mask, they are more than welcome to do so. Masking is required for five days if returning to school after five days of COVID positive isolation.
- Sanitation of desks and high touch surfaces will be completed multiple times throughout the school day.
- Recess times may be split out so there are only one or two classes in a particular playground area at a time.

Students or staff who become ill at school:

If students or staff become ill at school or show any of the mentioned symptoms, they will be sent home to self-monitor with recommendations to call their primary care physician. If a student or staff member is exhibiting concerning symptoms, he or she may return to school after being symptom free for 24 hours or receive a note from a doctor.

Students and staff members with COVID:

CDC guidance for a positive COVID test result: Everyone who tests positive needs to stay home for 5 days from the day after the test date, then wear a mask for 5 more days if they have no symptoms or significantly improved symptoms. Everyone who is still ill or has a fever must stay home until symptoms get better, then wear a mask for a total of 10 days.

For individuals who are exposed to a positive case, wear a mask for 10 days, getting tested after 5 days. If you develop symptoms, get a test and stay home.

The District will continue to notify families of potential classroom exposure to COVID positive cases.

Re-Entry After Illness Guidelines:

Current guidelines reflect the following:

- Positive cases of COVID may return to work/school as directed by the district and they have been fever free for at least 24 hours.
- Individuals placed in quarantine must remain for the duration of the assigned length of time as dictated by the district.

Bathrooms:

- The bathrooms will be routinely sanitized throughout the school day. The number of students in the bathroom at one time will be limited. Those waiting will form a line in the hallway to allow for social distancing.

Field Trips:

- All field trip requests will be dealt with on a case by case basis and approval processes will still go through the principal.

Other considerations:

- All students should bring a water bottle to school to be filled instead of drinking directly from water fountains.
- Visitors to school must seek prior approval from the main office.

Mitigation & Prevention Strategies Summary:

Mitigation Strategy	District Plan
Masking	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Masks allowed.
Physical distancing and cohorting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Social distancing when possible. • Seating charts. • Students will remain in cohorts as much as possible.
Handwashing and respiratory etiquette	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students will be frequently reminded to wash hands. • Proper handwashing taught and reinforced. • Sanitizer and tissue provided.
Cleaning and maintaining healthy facilities, including improving ventilation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase cleaning for high-touch surfaces. • Upgrades to HVAC as funds and equipment become available.
Contact tracing in combination with isolation and quarantine, in collaboration with the State, local, territorial, or Tribal health departments.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contact tracing by the LEA in collaboration with the Pettis County Health Center (PCHC)
Diagnostic and screening testing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Testing provided onsite for staff members and students with parental permission. • Students and staff with concerning symptoms will be assessed by the nurse and sent home if necessary.
Efforts to provide vaccinations to educators, other staff, and students, if eligible	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • District communicates opportunities available in the community to become vaccinated if desired.
Appropriate accommodations for children with disabilities with respect to the health and safety policies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accommodations as necessary or as mandated by Individual Education Plan

Continuity of Services:

- The district returned to fully in-person learning in August of 2020 and continues to provide in-person instruction moving forward.
- If there are further interruptions of in-person instruction due to quarantine, isolation, or temporary school closures, the teacher will provide instructional materials. Students with disabilities will continue receiving services as outlined in their IEP.

- The LEA will continue to provide for the social, emotional, and mental health needs of students during in-person instruction and during any interruptions of in-person instruction. The district is also partnering with Burrell Behavioral Health to provide social-emotional instruction to students.

Periodic Revision:

- The LEA will periodically review and revise, if necessary, the SRCSP, at least every six months at a public session of the school board.
- The next public meeting regarding this SRCSP will be prior to the August 2021 school board meeting.

Understandable Language:

- The SRCSP is available in languages understandable to stakeholders. The SRCSP will be available in English, Spanish, and Ukrainian in the district office and on the district website.

Missouri State Statues /Board Policy

167.191. Children with contagious diseases not to attend school — penalty. — It is unlawful for any child to attend any of the public schools of this state while afflicted with any contagious or infectious disease, or while liable to transmit such disease after having been exposed to it. For the purpose of determining the diseased condition, or the liability of transmitting the disease, the teacher or board of directors may require any child to be examined by a physician, and exclude the child from school so long as there is any liability of such disease being transmitted by the pupil. If the parent or guardian refuses to have an examination made by a physician at the request of the teacher or board of directors, the teacher or board of directors may exclude the child from school. Any parent or guardian who persists in sending a child to school, after having been examined as provided by this section, and found to be afflicted with any contagious or infectious disease, or liable to transmit the disease, or refuses to have the child examined as herein provided, is guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction, shall be punished by a fine of not less than five nor more than one hundred dollars.

160.011. Definitions, certain chapters. — “School board”, the board of education having general control of the property and affairs of any school district;

162.261. Seven-director district, board of, terms — vacancies — prohibition on hiring spouse of board member, when — constitutional prohibition on nepotism applies to districts. — 1. The government and control of a seven-director school district, other than an urban district, is vested in a board of education of seven members, who hold their office for three years, except as provided in section 162.241, and until their successors are duly elected and qualified.

171.011. School board may adopt rules and regulations. — The school board of each school district in the state may make all needful rules and regulations for the organization, grading and government in the school district. The rules shall take effect when a copy of the rules, duly signed by order of the board, is deposited with the district clerk.

177.031. Care of property and purchase of supplies — free use of buildings and grounds for public purpose. — The school board has the care and keeping of all property belonging to the district ... and shall provide fuel, heating apparatus, and other material and appliances necessary for the proper heating, lighting, ventilation and sanitation of the schoolhouses.

210.003. Immunizations of children required, when, exceptions — duties of administrator, report — notification of parents, when. — In the event of an outbreak or suspected outbreak of a vaccine-preventable disease within a particular facility, the administrator of the facility shall follow the control measures instituted by the local health authority or the department of health and senior services or both the local health authority and the department of health and senior services, as established in Rule 19 CSR 20-20.040, "Measures for the Control of Communicable, Environmental and Occupational Diseases".

Board Policy EBB – Communicable Diseases