

Safe Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Services Plan

Barbourville Independent Schools

2021-2022

COVID-19 Protocols and Procedures

- Physical Distancing - CDC recommends schools maintain at least 3 feet of physical distance between students within classrooms.
- Masks - Students will wear a mask on the school bus. Mask wearing will be optional throughout the instructional day.
- Handwashing - Handwashing will be emphasized throughout the school day. Hand sanitizers will be placed throughout the buildings and students will be encouraged to sanitize their hands when entering and exiting a classroom.
- Facilities - cleaning of district facilities will continue to be implemented while following COVID-19 routines to minimize exposure.
- Contact Tracing - The administration will continue to work closely with and follow the guidance of the Knox County Health Department concerning contact tracing.
- Vaccination - The district will continue to encourage faculty, staff and students to be vaccinated. The district is willing to serve as a host site as vaccinations are available.
- Accommodations for Children with Disabilities - The district will meet the unique health needs of students with disabilities.

Transportation Guidelines

Students riding a bus will wear a face mask. Exceptions may be granted on a case-by-case basis when wearing a face mask would compromise the health and safety of the student. Each bus should have a supply of masks for those students who do not have one. Monitors and drivers who encounter students shall always wear a mask or a face shield, unless a medical waiver is granted.

Contingency Plan

While BIS Administrators spent the majority of their time developing plans for reopening campus to in-person activities, the administration team recognizes that this rapidly-evolving situation may necessitate the activation of additional contingencies should state or federal guidance change or if public health officials deem it in the best interest of the health of our students, faculty, staff, and broader communities.

- If the contingency plan should be activated, all students will participate in Extended Remote Learning. This learning will be virtual, real time instruction from 8-3:00 on Mondays through Fridays. Teachers will live stream instruction and answer student questions real time.
- Offices would remain operational, though they may function with limited or no staff on campus.
- Athletics will adhere to current KHSAA guidelines. Academic groups will also follow those recommendations when meeting.