



Recommended Updates to the 2020-2021 School Reopening Plan

October 13, 2020

Our COVID-19 Response

- ▶ All staff have access to personal protective equipment.
- ▶ All staff complete a daily health screening and are encouraged to stay home when sick.
- ▶ All staff have access to a hydrogen peroxide cleaning solution to use in our schools.
- ▶ Custodians regularly sanitize high-touch surfaces to slow the spread of COVID-19.
- ▶ Our school division has daily communication with the Central Shenandoah Health Department and we monitor community health metrics.
- ▶ The school division proposes updates to our mask requirements for staff and students to be described later in this presentation.



Current Plan

- ▶ The majority of our students have participated in a totally remote learning model using CANVAS and Zoom.
- ▶ Many students with disabilities and English Learners have attended school in-person since August 31st.
- ▶ Wayne Hills Preschool Center has students attending 5 days a week.
- ▶ Valley Academy, STEP Learning Lab, VCTC, and SVGS have been open since August using a hybrid model (2-days in-person and 3-days online).
- ▶ Students struggling with the totally remote learning model have been invited to attend school in-person.



Recommended Modifications to our Reopening Plan

- ▶ Kindergarten students have been invited to attend school in-person beginning October 19th.
 - ▶ Parents of kindergarten students have the option for their child to continue using a totally remote learning option.
 - ▶ Principals have called each family and explained the options, detailed COVID-19 mitigation strategies, and answered questions from families.



Recommended Modifications to our Reopening Plan

- ▶ The school division plans on gradually increasing the number of students across all grade levels.
- ▶ Principals are working with individual families of students who are not making adequate progress in the totally remote learning model.
- ▶ Our definition of the hybrid learning model continues to evolve and incorporates multiple variations of in-person and remote learning. We are not confined by a 2-day in-person and 3- day remote learning model.



Recommended Modifications to our Reopening Plan

- ▶ Masks will be required at all times for staff and students.
- ▶ “Mask breaks” will be permitted.



Our Mask Plan

- ▶ **Mask options allowed (Face shields may be used in combination with any of the options below):**
 - ▶ Fabric or cloth mask (washable cotton or polyester)
 - ▶ Surgical mask (disposable)
 - ▶ Fitted N95 or professional grade medical mask
 - ▶ Face shield with a drape at the bottom
 - ▶ Buffs/gaiters that are at least two-ply/double material



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- ▶ **Mask options not allowed:**
 - ▶ Bandanas
 - ▶ Face masks with valve or vent
 - ▶ Face shield used alone (exception with medical documentation and approval by school administration)



Our Mask Plan



Mask Requirements for Students and Staff Revised: October 13, 2020

The Virginia Department of Health and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommend mask usage to help slow the spread of COVID-19 in our community. As a result, the Waynesboro School Board requires masks to be worn by students and staff who are attending a Waynesboro public school or utilizing school division transportation. "Mask breaks" are permitted following the guidelines listed below. These requirements are effective immediately.

Mask options allowed (Face shields may be used in combination with any of the options below):

Fabric or cloth mask (washable cotton or polyester)
Surgical mask (disposable)
Fitted N95 or professional grade medical mask
Face shield with a drape at the bottom
Buffs/gaiters that are at least two-ply/double material



Mask options not allowed:

Bandanas
Face masks with valve or vent
Face shield used alone (exception with medical documentation and approval by school administration)

It is important for the wearer to avoid touching his or her mask. If the mask is touched, the wearer should avoid touching the face and sanitize or wash hands immediately. Additionally, if a cloth or fabric mask becomes wet or dirty, it is important to switch to a clean one. Masks should not be shared. The mask should cover the face from the bridge of the nose to under the chin.

"Mask Breaks" for students and staff while at school:

- Outside breaks are encouraged as much as possible
- 6-feet social distance when there is no physical activity
- 10-feet social distance when there is physical activity
- Inside breaks are limited to a maximum of 10 minutes per class/hour
 - ◆ Must be in their seat
 - ◆ Must be 6-feet from the teacher and other students
 - ◆ Facing the same direction as other students
 - ◆ During a seated activity (i.e. quiet reading time, journal time)
 - ◆ Breakfast/lunch (may be longer than 10 minutes)

If you have questions or concerns, please contact your school administrator. For questions about how to properly wear a mask, please contact your school nurse or our Head Nurse, Mandi McComas (540-946-4600, x128).

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Our Plan Moving Forward

- ▶ Our plan is to continue identifying students at all grade levels, increasing the number of students returning for in-person instructional support in the coming weeks.
- ▶ In addition to Kindergarten, other grade levels may return in the coming weeks.
- ▶ Our plan is to open our schools on a hybrid model of instruction for all students who want to return to the buildings for second semester.



Who to Contact with Additional Questions

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- Your building principal
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