



## MDSD School Pandemic Operational Plan

### CDC's level of Community Transmission indicators

#### Low Transmission:

- Total new cases per 100,000 persons in the past 7 days: 0-9.99
- Percent positivity in the past 7 days: 0-4.99%

#### Moderate Transmission:

- Total new cases per 100,000 persons in the past 7 days: 10-49.99
- Percent positivity in the past 7 days: 5-7.99%

#### Substantial Transmission:

- Total new cases per 100,000 persons in the past 7 days: 50-99.99
- Percent positivity in the past 7 days: 8-9.99%

#### High Transmission:

- Total new cases per 100,000 persons in the past 7 days:  $\geq 100$
- Percent positivity in the past 7 days:  $\geq 10.0\%$

### **Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)**

Any state, or federal mandates will supersede district guidelines.

- Face Coverings are required at all times when in school buildings, in all categories and must meet CDC guidelines, covering both the nose and mouth.
- Students in Band, Choir, Physical Education, Recess, Outside activities, sports, cafeteria and lunch room eating are exempt from wearing masks.
- Teachers and staff will maintain face coverings, regardless of physical distancing when inside school buildings.
- Persons with medical conditions, mental health condition, or disability that prevent them from wearing a face covering are required to provide documentation from a physician demonstrating that the person cannot tolerate wearing a face covering. This guidance supersedes other orders.
- Any person exhibiting mild symptoms must wear a face covering until leaving campus, consistent with CDC guidelines.
- Establish and maintain hand hygiene stations at key locations in the building.
- Students and staff use handwashing and sanitation stations.
- Use of sneeze guards at appropriate locations.
- A plan is in place for when a student, staff member, or visitor becomes ill.
- Identify an isolation / screening room in the school.

## **Classroom**

- Staff and students trained in the areas of physical distancing, handwashing, respiratory etiquette and the use of face coverings / shields to mitigate exposure.
- Disinfect desks, keyboards, and screens.
  - Schedule desk sanitation during the school day at appropriate transitions.
  - Custodial staff routinely clean highly touched surfaces in evenings.
- Desks: Arrange to allow for physical distancing.
- Limit use of shared materials and spaces
  - Avoid sharing supplies.
  - Avoid sharing electronic devices.
  - Avoid sharing musical instruments.
  - Keep personal student belongings separate.
- Students and staff use personal water bottles and water bottle filling station. Drinking fountains will not be available.

## **Main Offices**

- Maintain at least 3 feet Distance
- Disinfect Touch Surface Areas Regularly
- Hand Sanitizer Available

## **Employee Break Areas**

- Physical Distance Seating
- Custodians Routinely Disinfect Surface Areas
- Minimize / Items on Tables and Surfaces to Allow for Complete Disinfecting

## **Cafeteria**

- Maintain Physical Distancing with at least 3 feet when feasible
- Maintain Physical Distancing at Tables
- Provide Option for Outdoor Eating, Weather Permitting
- Elementary children may be grouped by “Pods” with Less than 3 ft. distance, consistent with CDC guidance.

## **Visitors/Volunteers**

- Volunteers needs to be preapproved by administration.
- Visitors and volunteers must wear masks when inside the building.
- Develop parent pick-up & drop off procedure outside buildings.

## **Gatherings**

- Implement strategies that discourage gathering for areas such as the bus lane, restroom, recess, hallways, lunch, before and after school.

## **Co-Curricular and Extra-Curricular Events**

- Attendance at sporting events will be open under Idaho High School Activities Association guidelines except for the following:
- No masking required for spectators at all activities and events.

## **Communication Strategies**

- Regular Communication with Parents and Staff by School
- Education for staff and students will include:
  - Proper Hygiene Practices
  - Physical Distancing
  - Symptoms of COVID-19 and When to Stay Home Due to Illness

## **Confirmed Case of COVID-19 in School**

- The McCall-Donnelly School District will coordinate with local public health and follow guidance for implementing a course of action.
- If it is determined that there will be school dismissals, MDSD will also cancel targeted extra-curricular group activities.
- If it is determined that there will be school dismissals, targeted facilities will be disinfected consistent with CDC and local public health guidance.

Normal Operations Guidance: Applies to all categories when students or staff are present on campus.

All plans and guidance are subject to change, based upon updated guidance from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), Central District Health (CDH) and local healthcare providers.

This plan will be reviewed monthly at the regularly scheduled school board meeting

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### **Additional Benchmarks**

1. Crisis Standards of Care is lifted regionally.
2. Vaccines are available for children 5-11 (must allow for enough time for full dose(s) and recommended time for complete effectiveness) typically 3-4 weeks between shots and then two weeks after second shot).
3. CDC levels of community transmission are substantial or below for a two-week consecutive period.

Transmission numbers are reported to the district on Fridays and any changes to the masking policy will be communicated to families and staff regarding changes to be effective on the following Monday. This process will work in reverse if numbers are above substantial for a two-week average.

If these conditions are met, masks will be recommended beginning January 3rd, 2022.