

PACS Reopening Plan Summary

Lura M. Sharp Elementary



Objectives

- To meet students' academic and social-emotional needs through a combination of in-person and online instruction while maximizing their safety in light of the COVID-19 pandemic.
- To design an educational model that is flexible and can be utilized under current conditions and conditions that may arise during the school year.

Communication

- The school reopening plan will be communicated to families by administration through mail, the district website, text message, phone call, and email.
- Any changes to plans or district closures will be communicated in the same manner.

Cleaning

- Common areas, bathrooms, and all high touch surfaces will be cleaned throughout the day by cleaning staff.
- Classroom desks, tables, and other high touch surfaces are cleaned and disinfected daily and between cohorts of students.
- The entire school will be cleaned/disinfected every evening by cleaning staff.
- Buses will be cleaned/disinfected after each trip by drivers.

Hygiene

- All staff and students will be encouraged to wash their hands periodically during the day.
- Students will be instructed on proper hand washing techniques such as washing hands before and after eating and after using the bathroom for at least 20 seconds with soap.
- Hand sanitizer is provided for students and staff to use in every classroom.
- All staff and students will be discouraged from touching their face.

Ventilation

- The air in each classroom will be exchanged at least three times per hour (meeting state guidelines) and up to six times per hour.
- When weather permits, teachers are also encouraged to open windows in their rooms to promote ventilation.

Screening/Testing

- All staff will be screened daily for COVID-19 symptoms including temperature checks.
- All students riding school transportation will have their temperature checked prior to boarding their bus.
- All students that are being dropped off will have their temperature checked in the drop off loop while parents are still in attendance. Those with temperatures over 100F will be sent home with their parent.
- Those who record a temperature over 100F or who display other COVID symptoms may not return to the school until they produce a negative COVID test result and they have a note from their physician stating they are cleared to return to school.
- Those who have a positive COVID test result must inform the school in order for the County Health Department to begin contact tracing.

Social Distancing

- Class sizes have been reduced to provide appropriate social distancing.
- All staff and students should attempt to maintain at least six feet of separation from others whenever possible.
- All students and staff should walk in single file on the right side of the hallway, following the arrows on the floor, while passing through the building.
- Students should be released to bathrooms, office, etc. one at a time and only when necessary.

Classroom Capacity/Setup

- All classrooms are set up with seating facing the front of the room.
- Each student's seat is socially distanced at least six feet from others.
- Each student will have their own classroom supplies.

Face Masks

- All students and staff must wear face masks throughout the school day including while on school transportation, in bathrooms, while passing through halls, and while in classrooms when social distancing can not take place.
- Students may remove face masks when distanced more than six feet in classrooms and instructed by staff to do so.
- Staff may remove face masks when alone in their classrooms during planning and lunch periods.
- Students and staff with health issues which might exempt them from wearing a face mask, must have this accommodation approved by the school physician.

Transportation

- Families may opt-out of riding school buses by contacting the Transportation Department at 315.298.7378.
- All students will have their temperature screened prior to boarding the bus. Those with temperatures over 100F will be escorted to their home.
- All students and staff must wear face masks on the bus.
- Students will be released to and from buses in and out of the school one bus at a time.

Food Services

- Students will eat breakfast and lunch in their classrooms with their teachers.
- Students may bring lunches from home or purchase them from the cafeteria.
- Students will be able to order breakfast and lunch the day before.
- Teachers will take the lunch count each day for the next day.
- Breakfast and lunch will be delivered daily to the classrooms.
- Frozen meals will be available to purchase for families who choose 100% remote instruction. Please contact the Food Services Office at 315.298.5103 to make arrangements.

Parent/Student Instructional Choice

- Students who are put at greater risk by COVID because of a CDC – listed health condition or whose parents are generally uncomfortable with their child returning to the school building can choose a 100% online instructional model by completing the Remote Learning Commitment Survey found on the school website.
- Students that participate in the 100% online instructional model (remote learning) are required to attend classes virtually and complete all online assignments and assessments.
- Parents must complete the [Remote Learning Commitment Survey](#) for each student that will be participating in the online instructional model (remote learning).

Remote Instruction Schedule

- All students opting for remote learning will receive synchronous and asynchronous instruction.
 - *Synchronous instruction is remote learning that takes place in real time.*
 - *Asynchronous instruction occurs online without real time interaction.*
- Teachers will provide small group synchronous instruction daily to students through Google Meet.
- Students will receive asynchronous instruction through a Learning Management platform. The teacher assigns lesson, activities and assessments to each student. All lessons, activities, and assessments follow the New York State Learning Standards.
- Asynchronous instruction will cover ELA, Math, Science and Social Studies curriculum.

Remote Instruction Expectations

- Attendance is required for both the synchronous and asynchronous instruction.
- Attendance is taken daily based on attendance at Google Meet and completion of daily assigned work.
- Teachers will communicate with families regarding progress and attendance of the student.
- Teacher will complete a report card quarterly based on progress with the NYS Learning Standards and progress in the small group instruction.

In-Person Instruction Schedule

- All students attending in-person instruction will receive traditional instruction within the classroom 5 days a week.
- All students K-5 will be assigned a Chromebook in school.
- Students will continue to participate in all special area classes.
- Specials will be on a 6 day cycle this year. Days will be identified as letters A-F.
- Physical Education classes will be held outside, weather permitting.
- Students will continue to participate in Aide Time (recess) daily for 30 minutes.

Health/Social Emotional Learning

- The School-Based Health Center will continue to operate as normal within the school building.
- Teachers will continue to teach *Second Step* lessons daily within the classrooms.
- Morning Program will continue every Monday and Friday at 8:45. It will be live streamed for students that are in the classrooms and for our remote learners.
- Students will participate in individual and group counseling while in the building or remotely as scheduled and on an as-needed basis with school counselors from our school and the health center.
- Students will continue to earn “Sharp Behavior” tickets for exhibiting exceptional behavior for both our in-person and remote students.

Lockers

- Students will utilize the cubbies and lockers in the halls while maintaining social distance when possible.
- Students are prohibited from sharing lockers.

Extracurricular Activities

- After school clubs may take place as long as students wear masks and are properly socially distanced. Outside activities may not require masks if students are socially distanced.