

# Cottonwood Public School

## **Back to School RETURN TO LEARN PLAN**

The following plan has been created to allow our students to return to school for the 2021-2022 school year in the safest manner possible. The unprecedented times of the COVID-19 Pandemic are constantly changing which means our response must also change at times. We ask for your cooperation, flexibility, and patience as we strive to educate your child during these extraordinary times. Thank you in advance for working along with us to protect each and every student at Cottonwood School.

### **Daily Screening**

1. Parents will screen using provided checklist; if parents send their child to school, they are certifying that student is healthy. School may check temperature at the door.
2. Staff will screen themselves. If they come to work, they are certifying they are healthy.

Child or staff must be fever free without medication for 24 hours before returning to school.

### **At School Procedures**

Isolation Room: Any student or staff member who exhibits a fever of 100.4 degrees or more will be instantly isolated in a predetermined isolation room and immediately sent home. After being sent home, the student or staff member cannot return to school until one of the following criteria is met:

- **WITHOUT COVID TESTING:** The student or staff member must not be present at school for 10 days.

Quarantine can end after Day 10 without testing and if no symptoms have been reported during daily monitoring.

- **After a NEGATIVE COVID TEST:** The student or staff member can return to physical school after 24 hours of being fever free with no fever reducing medication.

*When diagnostic testing resources are sufficient and available, then quarantine can end after Day 7 if a diagnostic specimen tests negative and if no*

symptoms were reported during daily monitoring. The specimen may be collected and tested within 48 hours before the time of planned quarantine discontinuation (e.g., in anticipation of testing delays), but quarantine cannot be discontinued earlier than after Day 7.

*Cottonwood will follow the following CDC guidelines for persons who have been vaccinated or have had COVID-19:*

**People who have been in close contact with someone who has COVID-19—excluding people who have had COVID-19 within the past 3 months or who are fully vaccinated.**

- People who have tested positive for COVID-19 within the past 3 months and recovered do not have to quarantine or get tested again as long as they do not develop new symptoms.
- People who develop symptoms again within 3 months of their first bout of COVID-19 may need to be tested again if there is no other cause identified for their symptoms.
- People who have been in close contact with someone who has COVID-19 are not required to quarantine if they have been fully vaccinated against the disease and show no symptoms.

**What counts as close contact?**

- You were within 6 feet of someone who has COVID-19 for a total of 15 minutes or more
- You provided care at home to someone who is sick with COVID-19
- You had direct physical contact with the person (hugged or kissed them)
- You shared eating or drinking utensils
- They sneezed, coughed, or somehow got respiratory droplets on you

Student will become a distance learner at home until he/she can return to school. The student will be counted as present because digital/distance learning will be provided.

AFTER POSITIVE COVID TEST Cottonwood School will:

1. Communicate to school staff.
2. Communicate to applicable parents depending on classroom arrangement.
3. Thoroughly sanitize classroom.

4. Positive case classroom will be changed to distance learning for 10 days. If the positive student has siblings, the siblings will also be quarantined.
5. If the attendance of campus learners at the site and/or district where the positive case occurs reaches a 35% absenteeism rate, the site and/or district will go to distance learning for 10 days. The count starts on the first day of distance learning.
6. Grab and Go meals will be provided starting on Day 1 of distance learning. Delivery schedule will be dictated by the district's Child Nutrition capabilities.

### **Access to School Facilities**

At this time parents will be allowed to enter the school buildings as needed, unless CDC or State recommends limiting access. For assistance or questions, parents are asked to call the office at (580) 927-3907.

### **Bus Transportation**

- Alternate transportation recommended for all bus riders if possible
- Maximize air flow
- Seating chart
- Additional bus routes (district decision)
- Buses will be sanitized daily

### **Requirements for All Teachers**

- Maximize classroom space
- One directional seating (for all classrooms that don't have round tables)
- Seating charts (required by all teachers for all classes)
- Work areas will be cleaned twice a day during school hours and once after school day is complete.

### **Masks**

Oklahoma State Department of Education strongly recommends masks. Masks are not required by Cottonwood School. Parents may send students to school with masks at their own discretion.

### **Modified Meal & Drop off Schedule**

Meal and drop off schedule for the 2021-22 school year. Schedules have been modified to allow social distancing and sanitizing.

# Cottonwood Meal Plan and Drop Off Schedules (Due to COVID-19)

## BREAKFAST

Grade	Time	Location & Drop Off
L. Doyle (PreK3/4)	7:30AM- 8AM	Classroom
M. Powell (PreK3 Head Start)	7:30AM -8AM	Classroom
J. Eddings (PreK4 Head Start)	7:30AM-8AM	Classroom
Kindergarten-3 <sup>rd</sup>	7:30AM-8AM	Lunchroom
4 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> (Grab & Go)	After 1 <sup>st</sup> Hour Class 9:15AM	Classroom

## LUNCH

Grade	Time	Location
PreK (All Classes)	11:15AM	Lunchroom
Kindergarten	11:40AM	Lunchroom
1 <sup>st</sup> -2 <sup>nd</sup>	11:50AM	Lunchroom
3 <sup>rd</sup> -4 <sup>th</sup>	12:20PM	Lunchroom
5 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup>	1:00PM	Lunchroom

\*Any on-line/distance learning students may pick up breakfast and lunch at 11AM or other arrangements will be made, as needed.

Meal cost will be based on lunch applications (free/reduced/full prices). Students will also receive a FREE Third Meal daily.

We reserve the right to vary from this policy, on a case by case bases, as guidelines and circumstances change daily.

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