

**Reopening Elliston School:
What to Expect
Implemented 8/6/2020
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Phases of Reopening	What do Safety and Health Measures on our campus and transportation look like?	What does Learning and Teaching Look Like?
<p><i>Closed- SHELTER IN PLACE</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● All schools closed to public access ● Food program continues with food delivery and pick up as necessary <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● All school facilities closed to public rental ● Visitors by appointment only ● Board Meetings will be remote 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● All learning will be remote ● Weekly online class meetings for all grades and classes ● Combination online and paper packets K-3rd ● K-3rd Small group or individual reading and mathematics instruction using Zoom/Google Meet biweekly ● 4th-8th Combination Online and Paper Packets ● Zoom/Google Meet classes for core subjects ELA/Reading, Math, Social Studies, and Science for 4th-8th grades biweekly ● SPED services delivered remotely
<p>Phase 1- High Risk: Widespread community transmission</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Health screening and hand sanitizing upon entry ● Handwashing and germ transmission prevention pro-actively taught and frequently encouraged 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Divide classes more than 15 students (if physical distancing of 6 feet cannot be maintained) into separate learning areas- use Paraprofessionals and

<p>No localized incidence:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Students in building as scheduled (small groups/individuals) ● Up to 15 students in a classroom <p>Localized incidence:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Dependent on consult with county health department ● On-site only with administrative approval <p>High level of community transmission: Outbreaks or increases in cases and recent laboratory-confirmed cases of COVID-19.</p> <p>Guidelines and Considerations: Establish and maintain communication with local and state authorities to determine current mitigation levels in your community.</p> <p>Implement multiple social distancing strategies with extended school closures, closing school buildings to students and community members.</p> <p>Cancel or postpone all field trips, group events, sports events and extracurricular activities.</p> <p>Implement distance learning until minimal community spread and local health officials recommend school reopening.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Face coverings required/recommended (dependent on any mask mandate)- 2 cloth masks will be provided by the district for staff and students. K-2nd can use face shields. 3rd-12th graders can choose between face shields or cloth masks. ● Public visitors to schools will be limited and logged ● If local school community (staff or student) tests positive for COVID 19 - District will follow directives for quarantining and depending on the exposure may close down for a period of time (2-5 days) for deep cleaning. ● If local school community (staff or student) tests positive for COVID 19 - possible quarantine of specific classroom, or school for up to 14 days (as directed by local or state health officials) ● Maintain physical distancing of 6 ft in all spaces ● Student groups will be kept together for contact tracing purposes, (e.g., students will eat lunch and participate in specials in their classrooms) ● Frequent sanitizing in classrooms ● Students eat in lunchroom with their classmates or outside as weather permits while maintaining 6ft physical distancing ● Salad Bar will be served by staff ● Nutrition staff will wear face coverings while serving ● Plexiglas barriers will be erected for serving line ● Breakfast must be served by staff ● Meals for remote learners available ● Add additional server in the lunchroom 	<p>teachers during their prep periods to help deliver instruction</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Possible shortened school days or alternative schedule ● Families can choose 100% remote learning-- out of district families MAY not be able to access remote learning- waiting for waiver from Governor ● Limited extra-curricular activities per MHSA, health department authorities or OPI guidelines ● All school facilities closed to public rental and use ● Open Gym will be closed to the public ● Substitutes will be in house ● 1:1 Devices K-8 ● No in person assemblies or large meetings/groupings ● Specials classes with more than 15 students will be taught by classroom teacher OR moved into spaces where physical distancing can be maintained ● Limit field trips, group events ● Teachers should have on-line and remote instruction strategies employed or ready to be employed ● 4th through 8th grade teachers use Google Classroom and G Suite ● Teachers may use a variety of other online and digital learning platforms ● Limit shared classroom supplies and equipment ● Space students 6 feet apart in classrooms ● Limit transitions in hallways of multiple classrooms or groups of students passing ● Adjustments to curriculum and pacing will be required to address learning needs
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<p>Follow guidelines from local and state health authorities on school reopening.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Recesses are staggered so that only one classroom is outside at a time (rotate gym and playground recess) ● No recess equipment (balls, jump ropes, etc...) may be used ● Add custodial services for frequency of deep cleaning and sanitizing ● Close water fountains- encourage use of individual water bottles ● Staff meetings will be held remotely when possible ● Board meetings will be zoomed for the public 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● SPED services will be primarily in person- some services may need to be remote
<p style="text-align: center;">PHASE 2 Medium Risk</p> <p>Low to moderate level of community transmission: Minimal amount of laboratory confirmed cases of COVID-19 or threat of local exposure.</p> <p>Guidelines and Considerations Implement multiple social distancing strategies for gatherings, classrooms, and movement through school buildings.</p> <p>Limit the number of students per class and attendees per gathering to maintain six feet social distancing.</p> <p>Alter schedules to reduce mixing of students (ex: stagger recess, entry/dismissal times).</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Health screening and hand sanitizing upon entry ● Handwashing and germ transmission prevention pro-actively taught and frequently encouraged ● Temperatures taken of all staff and students exhibiting symptoms- at school- anyone with a 100 degree temperature or higher will be asked to go home until the fever subsides for more than 24 hours without fever-reducing medicine and will be encouraged to test for COVID19 ● All staff and students should stay home if sick ● Face coverings required/recommended (dependent on any mask mandate)- 2 cloth masks will be provided by the district for staff and students. K-2nd may use face shields. 3rd-8th graders can choose between face shields or cloth masks. ● Public visitors to schools will be limited and logged ● Student groups will be kept together as much as possible for contact tracing purposes ● Frequent sanitizing in classrooms 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● On-site learning will return to 100% ● Families can choose remote learning- out of district families MAY not be able to access remote learning- waiting for waiver from Governor ● Extra-curricular activities will resume with limitations on group size and health protocols or per MHSA and local or state authorities' guidelines; take temps, follow other health guidelines ● All school facilities available to public rental per local health officer requirements for public use of facilities with approved plans ● Substitutes may be utilized ● 1:1 Devices ● Assemblies allowed- spacing out as much as possible. Assigned seating by grade levels at assemblies ● Teachers should have on-line and remote instruction strategies employed or ready to be employed ● 4th through 8th grade teachers use Google Classroom and G Suite

<p>Consider distance learning in some settings or with vulnerable students and staff.</p> <p>Intensify cleaning and disinfection plan.</p> <p>Develop plans to protect vulnerable students and staff, those with chronic conditions, special health care needs or disabilities.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Students eat in cafeteria, classroom or outside; break up lunch by rotating grade levels; K-3rd; 4th-8th ● Seating assignments in cafeteria ● Salad Bar will be served by a staff member ● Meals for remote learners available ● Recesses are broken up so that there are no more than 1 classroom of students on playground (rotate Gym recess and playground recess) ● Recess equipment may be used but must be sanitized between uses (new/used sanitized equipment system); sanitized by custodial crew ● Extra curricular transportation will follow same guidelines ● Close water fountains- encourage use of individual water bottles and filling at water-bottle filling stations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Teachers will use a variety of online and digital platforms for instruction as appropriate ● Limit shared classroom supplies and equipment ● space students 6 feet apart in classrooms ● limit transitions in hallways of multiple classrooms or groups of students passing ● Adjustments to curriculum and pacing will be required to address learning needs ● face coverings may not need to be used for recess, PE classes, and if there are no more than 1 classroom of students gathered and physical distancing in outside areas ● SPED services will be provided in person in small groups or individually with physical distancing being maintained and face shields as needed
<p><i>Phase 3</i></p> <p>Low Risk: No community transmission.</p> <p>No laboratory-confirmed cases of COVID-19 across 14 consecutive days and</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Handwashing and germ transmission prevention pro-actively taught and frequently encouraged ● Sanitizing and cleaning will remain increased and deep cleaning will continue ● Face coverings will be allowed ● Visitors will be allowed ● Transportation runs normally ● Food services return to normal ● Recess returns to normal schedule 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● On-site learning will return to 100% ● Extra-curricular activities will resume per MHSA guidelines ● All school facilities available to public rental ● remote learning available to students through personalized learning plans ● Substitutes will be allowed ● Students will rotate through schedules and routines as normal ● 1:1 Devices ● Field Trips and Group Events allowed

General Practices and Procedures

<p>Ongoing</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Direct COVID-19 related concerns and questions to the Superintendent or Task Force member listed below ● Students and staff should not come to school, and should notify the school if they have COVID-19 symptoms*, are diagnosed with COVID-19 symptoms, are waiting for test results, or have been exposed to someone with symptoms or a confirmed or suspected case within 14 days of entering the school. ● If a student or staff member exhibits symptoms of COVID-19 at school, they will be moved into an area separate from other students until they are picked up to be taken home. Guardians will be provided information to follow up with medical professionals. Confidentiality will be maintained. ● If an infected person has been in the building, a short school closure (2-5 days) may be required as the district works with area health officials to determine next best steps. The district will immediately return to Phase 1 to ensure continuity of learning and meal programs if an outbreak occurs and county officials require us to close due to an outbreak. ● All decisions regarding quarantine students or staff will be led by county health officials and the district will cooperate with contact tracing as required and necessary. By wearing face coverings, the district can greatly reduce the possibility of having to close a classroom, classrooms or the whole school. ● The district will follow all required directives from county health officials or state officials. ● Coordinate with local health officials and monitor changes in community spread. ● Teach and reinforce healthy hygiene. Ensure hand hygiene supplies are readily available in school buildings. ● Establish and implement a cleaning and disinfection plan following CDC guidance. ● Train all teachers and staff in the above safety actions. Consider conducting the training virtually, or, if in-person, ensure that physical distancing is maintained. ● <i>Social, emotional needs and academic recovery will be the major focus of our staff as we transition our students back to on-site learning.</i>
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Elliston Public Schools is a Google Education partner and uses the Google Education Classroom to provide off-site instruction to students. Questions can be emailed directly to the student’s teachers as well as the supervising teacher.

Our overarching goal is to return to a “new normal” that looks and feels like fall of last year but with a new emphasis on more rigorous hygiene practices and standards which will also benefit our collective health when outbreaks of the flu and colds occur as well. Once we reopen, we want to ensure that we do everything possible to remain open. We will continue its standard practice of

consulting with the staff at the Powell County Health Department, MTSBA, OPI and Governor Bullock's office regarding how the District will reopen school.