

# Reopening Garrison School:

## What to Expect

**Initial Plan - 08/24/2020**

**Revisited & Revised – 6/18/2021 , 12/15/2021,**

**6/17/22, 12/14/22, 7/21/23**

Phases of Reopening	What do Safety and Health Measures on our campus and transportation look like?	What does Learning and Teaching Look Like?
<p><b><i>Closed-SHELTER IN PLACE</i></b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All schools closed to public access</li> <li>• All school facilities closed to public rental</li> <li>• Visitors by appointment only</li> <li>• Board Meetings will be remote</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All learning will be remote</li> <li>• Daily or weekly online class meetings for all grades and classes</li> <li>• Possible weekly work packets</li> <li>• K-6 Small group or individual instruction using Google Meet</li> <li>• Combination online and paper packets</li> <li>• Google Meet classes for core subjects ELA/Reading, Math, Social Studies, and Science for K-6th grades biweekly or daily</li> <li>• SPED services delivered remotely</li> </ul>
<p><b>Phase 1- High Risk:</b> Widespread community transmission</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dependent on consult with county health</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All schools closed to public access</li> <li>• All school facilities closed to public rental</li> <li>• Visitors by appointment only</li> <li>• Board Meetings will be remote</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All learning will be remote</li> <li>• Daily or weekly online class meetings for all grades and classes</li> <li>• Possible weekly work packets</li> <li>• K-6 Small group or individual instruction using Google Meet</li> <li>• Combination online and paper packets</li> <li>• Google Meet classes for core subjects</li> </ul>

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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>PHASE 2</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Medium Risk</b></p> <p><b>Low to moderate level of community transmission: Minimal amount of laboratory confirmed cases of COVID-19 or threat of local exposure.</b></p> <p><b>Guidelines and Considerations</b> 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.</p> <p>Consider distance learning in some settings or with vulnerable students and staff.</p> <p>Intensify cleaning and disinfection plan to include wiping of high touch surfaces in classrooms and bathrooms 3 times during</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Health screening and hand sanitizing upon entry</li> <li>• Handwashing and germ transmission prevention pro-actively taught and frequently encouraged</li> <li>• Daily temps taken of all staff and students- on buses or at school- anyone with a 100.4° 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</li> <li>• Any illness requiring students to be sent home will be reported to the county health nurse.</li> <li>• All staff and students should stay home if sick</li> <li>• Face coverings required as per mask mandate if there are 4 or more active cases in the county. Disposable masks will be provided by the district for staff and students. Students can wear their own cloth masks, but they must go home each night and be washed.</li> <li>• When students are seated in class at a 6 foot distance from other students, masks will not be required.</li> <li>• Staff and students will wear masks when social distancing cannot be maintained.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• On-site learning will return to 100% unless the local community transmission rates are high. Then online learning will be used.</li> <li>• Substitutes may be utilized</li> <li>• 1:1 Devices</li> <li>• Teachers should have on-line and remote instruction strategies employed or ready to be employed</li> <li>• K through 6th grade teachers use Google Meet and online instructional resources.</li> <li>• Teachers will use a variety of online and digital platforms for instruction as appropriate</li> <li>• Students will not share basic school supplies.</li> <li>• Math manipulatives and other large supplies will be sanitized between student usage.</li> <li>• Space students 6 feet apart in classrooms</li> <li>• Limit transitions in hallways of multiple classrooms or groups of students passing</li> <li>• Adjustments to curriculum and pacing will be required to address learning needs</li> <li>• Face coverings may not need to be used for recess, PE classes, and if there are no more than 20 students</li> </ul>

<p>the school day and a deep cleaning every afternoon.</p> <p>Implement social distancing strategies on buses and other transportation of students.</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"> <li>• Student groups will be kept together as much as possible for contact tracing purposes.</li> <li>• Frequent sanitizing in classrooms of high touch surfaces</li> <li>• Students eat lunch in gym or outside, separated by classrooms and socially distanced.</li> <li>• Socially distanced seating assignments in gym.</li> <li>• Recesses are broken up so that there are no more than 20 students on playground</li> <li>• Recess equipment may be used, but must be sanitized between uses (new/used sanitized equipment system)</li> <li>• Transportation: assigned seating on bus, family units sit together; daily sanitation of buses</li> <li>• Close water fountains- individual water bottles will be provided by the school and filled at water-bottle filling station.</li> </ul>	<p>gathered and physical distancing in outside areas</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SPED services will be provided in person in small groups or individually with physical distancing being maintained and face shields as needed</li> </ul>
<p><b><i>Phase 3</i></b></p> <p><b>Low Risk: No community transmission.</b></p> <p><b>No laboratory-confirmed cases of COVID-19 across 14 consecutive days.</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Handwashing and germ transmission prevention proactively taught and frequently encouraged</li> <li>• Sanitizing and cleaning will remain increased and deep cleaning will continue</li> <li>• Face coverings will be allowed</li> <li>• Visitors will be allowed</li> <li>• Transportation runs normally</li> <li>• Recess returns to normal schedule</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• On-site learning will return to 100%. Extra-curricular activities will resume per MHSA guidelines</li> <li>• All school facilities available to public rental</li> <li>• Substitutes will be allowed</li> <li>• Students will rotate through schedules and routines as normal</li> <li>• 1:1 Devices</li> <li>• Field Trips and Group Events allowed</li> </ul>

## General Practices and Procedures

### Ongoing

- Direct COVID-19 related concerns and questions to a 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 14-day school closure will 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 quarantined 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.
- ***Social, emotional needs and academic recovery will be the major focus of our staff as we transition our students back to on-site learning.***

***Our overarching goal is to return to a “new normal” that looks and feels like fall of 2019, 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. Garrison School will continue its standard practice of consulting with the staff at the Powell County Health Department, MTSBA, OPI, and Governor Gianforte’s office regarding how the District will reopen school.***