

CLARKSDALE MUNICIPAL SCHOOL DISTRICT OPERATIONS PLAN

2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR

HEALTH & SAFETY

All employees, students, visitors, and vendors will be required to be screened upon entering any facility of the Clarksdale Municipal School District. Each school/facility will have teams designated at each entry point. COVID-19 signage will be posted throughout the building for reference.

- All people entering the building will be undergo the same screening.
- All will be asked if they are experiencing any symptoms and the entry form will be completed
 - o If anyone is experiencing any symptoms, they will be isolated, sent home, and referred for medical care, if needed.
 - o Those individuals who respond "no" will be forwarded to temperature screening
- All individuals not experiencing symptoms and meet temperature screening standards (under 100 degrees) will be allowed to proceed.

Transportation protocols for students (car riders)

Each school will establish protocols for no-contact pick-up and drop off times. Students will be required to get in and out of their cars independently and prevent parents from walking students in the buildings. Our families will be encouraged to assign one person (if possible) who is not high risk to consistently pick-up and drop off their child each day.

BUS PROTOCOLS FOR STUDENTS

The CMSD bus fleet will adhere to social distancing guidelines while transporting students. This will reduce the capacity of our buses tremendously. Bus capacity will be limited to 30 students. One student per seat and each student will sit by the window of their seat. Routes will be modified to accommodate social distancing protocols. Our transportation department will ensure cleaning protocols are conducted daily after routes are completed.

PROTOCOLS FOR EMPLOYEES

All CMSD employees will be required to complete the COVID-19 Wellness questionnaire daily. Any employee with a temperature 100 and/or any other symptoms will be sent home and referred to seek medical treatment.

PROTOCOLS FOR VISITORS

Visitation will be limited to visitors who have scheduled appointments. All visitors must wear masks when entering a CMSD building/facility. Virtual meetings will be conducted when possible in addition to sending emails or contacting the school or district office by telephone.

SOCIAL DISTANCING PROTOCOLS

Social distancing will be mandatory in all CMSD facilities. All students and staff will be required to remain 6 feet apart. This applies to classrooms, offices, hallways, cafeterias, restrooms, teacher work rooms, gymnasiums, libraries, staff meetings, bus lines, and dismissal lines.

Classrooms and office spaces will be configured and marked with tape to ensure 6 feet of space is between students and staff members. Signage will be placed throughout the buildings to remind students and staff of how-to social distance. Movement throughout the buildings will be minimized to every extent possible to control student contact with those outside of their classrooms.

All meetings (parent and teacher) will be held virtually unless a face-to-face meeting is unavoidable. If a meeting must be face-to-face, it must be scheduled in advance and social distance must be followed. There will be a limit of 5 people for any parent meetings if required to be face-to-face.

ISOLATION PROTOCOLS

Each school will have a designated isolation area for students and staff who experience COVID-19 symptoms upon entering the building or while school is in session. These rooms will always be supervised, stocked with sanitizer, masks, and sanitized thoroughly daily.

Students and employees must self-quarantine if they test positive for COVID-19 or exhibit symptoms of COVID-19 based on CDC guidance:

- Fever of 100° F or greater
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Chills
- Muscle pain
- Headache
- Sore throat
- Loss of taste or smell
- Nausea, vomiting, diarrhea

The following protocol will be followed if a student or staff member should become ill while at school.

- Immediately isolate the student and/or staff member
- Contact the district nurse to report suspected and/or possible exposure to COVID-19
- The school nurse will investigate and complete a COVID-19 report form

Any area in the building in which the student or employee was present will be closed for immediate cleaning and disinfection. Any impacted students, staff, and parents will be notified of any closures and/or possible exposures.

PERSONAL PROTECTIVE PROTOCOLS

All employees, students, visitors, and vendors are required to wear masks that covers both the nose and mouth throughout the school day while in the school facilities. Masks will be provided to employees and students if they do not have one. Visitors and vendors must come with their own personal protective equipment. Acceptable masks include both district-issued and personal masks, including face shields, disposable masks, homemade masks, handkerchiefs, a scarf.

HYGIENE SIGNAGE

Signage outlining hygiene tips and best practices will be posted throughout each building. All employees and students of CMSD will be required to follow guidelines outlined by the Center for Disease Control and Prevention. All individuals will be required to wash and sanitize their hands using soap and water and/or hand sanitizer containing at least 60 percent alcohol. Hands must be washed for at least 20 seconds. Staff and students must cover their coughs and sneezes and wash their hands immediately with soap and water. Staff and students will not be allowed to share materials, supplies, or equipment. This includes pencils, markers, books, scissors, and other instructional supplies. If sharing is inevitable, the items being shared must be sanitized by the student sharing the specific supply and the student who is receiving the supply. This must be monitored by the teacher and/or teacher assistant.

STUDENT MEALS

The CMSD Food Service Department will follow the Center for Disease Control and Prevention and the Mississippi Department of Health Guidelines to provide nutritious meals for our students. Personal protective gear will be worn by staff while delivering meals and social distancing will be followed at all times.

Students of CMSD will receive individually wrapped breakfast daily if they are participating in our hybrid model. Students who attend school on the designated days will complete their safety check, pick up breakfast, and go to their classrooms.

Lunch for all schools will be delivered to the classrooms by the cafeteria staff. Portable insulated serving bags will be used to ensure the safe delivery of foods to students.

Meals will be sent home with students on the days they are not required to report to school. Instructions for storing and preparing food will also be sent home with students.

If students attend virtually, parents will be allowed to come to the school to pick up a waiver to receive their child/ren (s) meal (s).

If students enrolled do not have transportation to come and get meals, buses and cafeteria staff will deliver meals. Routes will be developed to canvas the city for our students to safely and conveniently get meals. Cafeteria staff will be on buses to deliver meals.

Meals will be delivered and/or transported based on the start and end time for each school. Additional information regarding protocol and scheduled times for transporting meals will be developed.

OTHER HEALTH AND SAFETY MEASURES

The Clarksdale Municipal School District will continuously focus on the health and safety of our schools. The following measures will be implemented:

- School nurses will be available in our district to support health needs
- All employees will be trained on CDC guidance to reduce the likelihood of COVID-19 transmission
- Daily screenings will be conducted for employees and students
- Face masks will be required for everyone entering the buildings
- Hand sanitizer and soap will be available and used throughout the day

Social distancing will be mandated in areas that are high traffic areas