



# Woodhaven-Brownstown School District

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2021/22 School Year

## **COVID-19 Preparedness Plan**

### **Masks/Face Coverings**

Per order of the Wayne County Health Department, it is required that all students, staff, and visitors, regardless of vaccination status, use facemasks while inside our school buildings.

Per the CDC, the wearing of facemasks is required on all public transportation, including school buses. This will be required of all students, staff, and visitors on our school buses, both on the way to and from school AND to and from extra-curricular activities, including athletics.

### **Quarantines**

Despite the fact that there was zero (0) documented person-to-person spread of COVID-19 in WBSD buildings during the 2020/21 school year, the most disruptive factor in our students' education was the amount of in-class time lost due to close contact quarantines.

New close-contact quarantine procedures for the 2021/22 school year, as provided by the WCHD, have the potential to significantly reduce, and in many cases eliminate, the need to self-quarantine when all recommended precautions are in practice.

Self-Quarantine for a School Setting: An individual identified as a close contact of a positive COVID-19 case must self-quarantine for ten (10) days. However, if the individual is experiencing COVID-19 symptoms after ten (10) days they must continue to quarantine until they are completely free of COVID-19 symptoms.

Exceptions to Self-Quarantine Requirements: No self-quarantine is required for a close contact of a positive COVID-19 case in the school setting **when the close contact is and remains asymptomatic** and **one** of the following applies:

1. the individual had a positive COVID (PCR) test within the past five (5) months, OR
2. the individual has completed the vaccination protocol and more than two (2) weeks have passed since the last dose, OR
3. the exposure occurred only in the classroom while both individuals were masked, and sitting at least three (3) feet apart.

### **Social Distancing**

The standard for the 2021/22 school year is three (3) feet between individuals. The WBSD will implement social distancing of students and staff to the extent possible within our schools.

### **Daily Health Screener**

All WBSD students, staff, and visitors are to use the daily self-screening checklist every day before attending school and/or school activities. COVID-19 symptoms to monitor for include fever (temperature of 100.4 Fahrenheit or above), new cough, shortness of breath, sore throat, or onset of chills and muscle aches. When an individual is experiencing symptoms, they should not report to school, they should get a COVID-19 test, and if positive, follow the self-quarantine instructions above.

### **Hand Washing and Hygiene**

Frequent hand washing and use of hand sanitizer will continue to be encouraged through the school day. Proper hand washing, with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, will be taught and reinforced. The WBSD will continue to provide hand sanitization stations in our classrooms, throughout our buildings, and on our school buses.

### **Enhanced Cleaning and Building Ventilation**

Additional custodial staff (brought on for the 2020/21 school year) will continue to be utilized to clean and disinfect high-touch points throughout the school day. In the evening, all learning spaces will be cleaned and disinfected using electrostatic sprayers. Safe and effective cleaning supplies are available, upon request, for individual and classroom use.

All buildings in the WBSD are air conditioned, exchanging inside air with outside air. We have upgraded all filters to the highest standard available and have accelerated our traditional filter replacement program.

### **Student Academics**

The WBSD has brought on additional academic staff for this school year to provide skill-based instruction for students as needed. Teachers will continue to teach priority standards and meet the needs of all students by continually assessing their knowledge and skill attainment. The schools will continue to provide academic and extracurricular activities to keep students engaged in the learning process.

### **Social-Emotional Health**

For all students, grades K-12, we will be using a Student Risk Screening Scale, training all staff on school-based mental health first aid, and, where appropriate, engaging in small group and whole group SEL lessons through district-provided curriculum. School social workers and counselors, through daily and weekly screeners and surveys, will follow-up and work with students as needed.