
In Person Learning Plan Update

Community Forum
5/13/21 - 6pm

Communication:

- Constant and reliable communication is a main district focus
 - School Messenger System - email, texts, and phone calls
 - Web-site updates
 - Phone calls from the district if quarantined
 - Contact tracing by the department of health
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Thank You!!

We appreciate your support and dedication to our school community!!

Thank You

New Lebanon,
together we are one.



Health and Safety

- Daily screening tool for all students, faculty, and staff
 - Daily temperature checks
 - Isolation Room - students with symptoms
 - Face masks at all times other than when eating
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Maintain 6 foot physical Distancing

- All students, faculty, and staff should maintain a 6 foot physically distanced space
 - Physical distancing space went from 12 to 6 feet with singing, playing an instrument or during PE
 - 6 feet distance maintained in all common areas
 - 6 feet space when eating at all times
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CDC allows a 3 foot space in...

- *In counties with low and moderate risk of transmission, elementary, middle, and high schools can maintain physical distancing of at least three feet between students in classrooms.*
- *In counties with substantial risk of transmission, elementary, middle, and high schools can maintain physical distancing of at least three feet between students in classrooms and cohorting is recommended when possible.*
- *In counties with high risk of transmission, elementary schools can maintain physical distancing of at least three feet between students in classrooms and cohorting is recommended when possible. However, in middle and high schools three feet between students in classrooms is recommended only when schools can use cohorting. When schools cannot maintain cohorting, middle and high schools must maintain physical distancing of at least six feet between students in classrooms.*

Students can not eat or drink if spaces are organized with a 3 foot physically distanced space...

Facilities

- High touch areas are cleaned every two hours
 - Bus sanitation between each bus run
 - Nightly deep cleaning of learning spaces
 - Cleaning and sanitation logs
 - Ventilation - fresh air ventilation systems
 - Opening windows
 - Organized foot traffic
 - Thoroughly cleaning any shared spaces
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Child Nutrition:

- No cost of breakfast or lunch to any families during this pandemic (extended through next school year)
 - Meals provided for students on virtual instruction
 - Students wash hands before they eat
 - Face masks on when not eating
 - Reduced number of students in cafeteria to maintain 6 foot distance
 - Tables cleaned after each use
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Transportation

- Each bus is disinfected after each bus run
 - All passengers must wear a mask at all times
 - Windows should remain open
 - Maintain physical distancing on bus - students sit in family cohorts, one child per seat, and skip seats when possible
 - Assigned seating for contact tracing
 - Parents are encouraged to drop off and pick their child up from school when possible
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Social Emotional Well Being

- Big priority during this difficult time
 - Provide mental health support to those students who need it
 - Work together with families
 - Reach out if your child is struggling
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In Person Scheduling..

- In grades PK to 12 our students are participating in in-person learning four days a week
- Wednesdays are remote learning days for all students. This allows our teachers to support their virtual students
- A Wednesday day care program is available for all students in grades K-6

It is the district's intention to be back to five days a week for in person learning for all students next school year.

Technology:

- Students in grades 2-12 have access to a 1:1 Chromebook
 - Google Classroom has been the platform mostly utilized for in person learning
 - Teachers are using great technological tools to enhance all student's learning
 - Internet access is available in both school's parking lots
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Special Education

All students IEP's and their appropriate programming is being maintained during this pandemic for all learners.

COVID Screening and Testing

- If a child or staff member has COVID-like symptoms they will be sent to the building's quarantine room
 - The person will not be able to come back to school/work unless they have proof of a negative COVID test, or a note from a doctor, or quarantined at home based on DOH recommended time.
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My Child has been vaccinated...

- Each case is always discussed with the DOH
 - As long as a person is not showing symptoms and has not been in very close proximity with a COVID positive person, a vaccinated person typically does not have to quarantine
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The District's Protocols When Contact Tracing:

- The District will contact the Department of Health for specific quarantining details on every specific case
 - Based on the information, the district will contact-trace all students and staff who were in contact with the COVID positive person. These decisions are based on current DOH guidelines.
 - A district staff member will call any families and employees who will have to be quarantined based on being a direct contact with the infected person.
 - The district superintendent will send a letter by email to all district families and faculty/staff notifying the community of a confirmed positive case
 - The County Department of Health Contact Tracing Team will contact each family and staff member who was a direct contact with the positive individual with quarantining directions.
 - The superintendent will document the positive case in the health department portal
 - The school district, in conjunction with the DOH, will make a determination if the classroom, grade level or school is safe to maintain in person learning.
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School Closure Due to COVID

- This will only happen if the DOH tells us to do so based on the safety of our children.

Or if...

- We don't have enough faculty and/or staff in our buildings to run/instruct our schools safely
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Plans for next school year...

- Waiting for DOH and NY Department of Education school and learning guidance for the 21-22 school year
 - Our stakeholder has a scheduled meeting in June and will meet over the summer if necessary to make updates
 - Will have another forum and share any updates on our website
 - Our goal is to be open 5 days a week for in person learning for all New Lebanon students for the 2021-2022 school year
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Questions.....



For more information and updates see our COVID 19 page on our web-site -
<https://www.newlebanoncsd.org/in-person-learning/>
