



CLINTONVILLE ACADEMY

2021-2022 COVID Policies & Procedures

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We had tremendous success during our 2020-2021 school year as we worked together to protect our staff and students from COVID19 while conducting in-person school 5 days per week!

We are building on the success of keeping student and staff safety our top priority while working to bring back many of our C.A. traditions and experiences. Each month our Administration and Board will evaluate current policies and procedures and may make changes in response to evolving conditions, data about the status of the pandemic, and recommendations and guidance from public health authorities.

Your flexibility will continue to be crucial as we move forward to keep our C.A. community healthy.

MASKING

- We will begin the school year with mask requirements in place. These may change in response to COVID in our community and the potential of a vaccine option for our families.
- All students and staff will be required to wear masks while indoors and when riding the bus. *Please see the note below regarding lunch policies and outdoor recess.*
- Fully vaccinated teachers may remove their masks during reading and spelling instruction when educationally necessary.

HANDWASHING | SANTIZING

- We will continue with enhanced handwashing/sanitizing protocols. This includes, but is not limited to, students being required to sanitize when they use the restroom, arrive at school, before and after eating, before and after recess, and before and after moving to a new classroom for a special class, as well as, before and after any group activities or any time a teacher deems it necessary.

SURFACE CLEANING

- Desks/tables will be sanitized before and after eating.
- Desks/tables will be sanitized between classes if a different group of students will be occupying those spaces.
- Classroom surfaces will be thoroughly sanitized at the end of each day.
- High touch surfaces such as bathroom faucets and recess doors, will be sanitized regularly throughout the day.

SICK POLICY

- Temperatures should be taken daily at home. Students with temperatures above 100.0 (unmedicated) should stay home.
- If anyone in your family is advised to quarantine, you must notify Mrs. Liggett and the homeroom/classroom teacher. We will work to support you and your student during this extended absence.

- We understand that not all coughs or runny noses are due to COVID. All CA community members who have a slight cough, runny nose, or sneezing but are fever-free (without meds), generally feel well, and have not been exposed to COVID19, may attend school.
- Students exhibiting any of the following symptoms should stay home:
 - Fever of 100 degrees or higher
 - Chills
 - Consistent cough
 - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
 - Fatigue
 - Muscle or body aches
 - Headache
 - New loss of taste or smell
 - Sore throat
 - Nausea or vomiting
 - Diarrhea

POSITIVE COVID TEST | QUARANTINES

- Families must report any positive student COVID cases to Clintonville Academy as we are required to report to Columbus Public Health.
- C.A. will work with Columbus Public Health and follow the most current quarantine procedures.

DROP OFF | PICK UP

- To minimize additional exposure, we will encourage families to utilize the turnaround or outdoor awnings for drop off and pick up. Please see detailed notes on pages 13-14 in Student Handbook for times and procedures.

LATCHKEY

- Morning latchkey will resume in the cafeteria and outdoors (weather permitting).
- Students will be required to wear masks during indoor latchkey.

DRINKING FOUNTAINS | WATER BOTTLES

- Students will not be permitted to use water fountains. Each student should bring a refillable water bottle to school daily. They may refill from the water bottle station as needed. The hands-free water bottle station will be sanitized regularly throughout the day.

REINSTATED ACTIVITIES

- The following activities may resume: flag ceremony, buddies, projects with combined grades, music class, field trips, off site Physical Education, etc. This list will regularly be evaluated based on current COVID conditions.
- If COVID numbers are significantly elevated in Franklin County, we may temporarily suspend some activities.

FLAG CEREMONY

- We intend to hold in-person flag ceremony each morning.
- If COVID numbers are significantly elevated in Franklin County, we may hold virtual flag ceremony via Zoom.

RECESS

- Masks will not be required for outdoor recess. Grade clusters (PK-2nd, 3rd-5th, 6th-8th) will be allowed to mix on the playground and any time we are outdoors.
- If COVID numbers are significantly elevated in Franklin County, we may temporarily isolate each grade to a specific area of the playground.

LUNCH

- Grade clusters will eat in the lunchroom. We will seat single grades at each table.
- Tables will be sanitized between groups.
- Lunch periods will be quiet and minimal talking will be permitted as was the policy pre-COVID.
- If COVID numbers are significantly elevated in Franklin County, we may temporarily return to eating in classrooms.

FIELD TRIPS | OFF SITE P.E. ACTIVITIES

- Offsite activities for Physical Education will resume whenever possible.
- Students will be required to wear masks while on the bus and during any indoor field trip.
- Chaperones will be invited to attend most field trips. Chaperones will be required to drive separately.

VISITORS | VOLUNTEERS

- All visitors and volunteers will be required to wear a mask when indoors.
- Parents may again volunteer during school hours.
- All other visitors will be reduced and may be restricted at times.

ADDITIONAL PROTOCOLS

General Operations:

- Hand sanitizer stations in each classroom and at entrances/exits.
- Disinfectant kits available for teacher use in each classroom.
- Infrared no-touch thermometers will be available for temperature screening.
- Signage with reminders of best hygiene practices
- 20-second, no-touch timers at each sink
- More frequent sanitizing of desks, tables, doors, railings, faucets, and other commonly touched surfaces. Items in common areas (faucet handles, door handles, phones, etc) will be cleaned by office staff.
- Thorough cleaning and sanitation of bathrooms each evening.

Technology:

All students will be assigned to a specific Chromebook for use within the classroom. Sharing will not be allowed. Chromebooks will be sanitized regularly.