

Sequatchie County Schools

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District - Wide Protocols Back -To - School 2020-2021

COVID-19 protocols are in place to help keep students and staff safe. No single action or set of actions will completely eliminate the risk of SARS-CoV-2 transmission, but implementation of several coordinated interventions can greatly reduce the risk. By allowing your child to return to school, you must understand that your child's attendance will require him/her to physically interact with teachers and other students.

While the District hopes that everyone remains safe and healthy during this trying time, we also want to remain both honest and transparent with our parents about the very real risks posed by COVID-19 both inside and outside our schools.

Remote Learning Option

This option requires an 18 week commitment and will be available using Virtual Village. Deadline to sign up is July 31, 2020.

Cafeteria

- Hand washing before meals
- Disposable utensils
- Outdoor space will be utilized when possible.
- Lunch will not be self served.

Health and Hygiene



- There will be daily health checks for students and staff per CDC guidelines.
- Handwashing is encouraged and hand sanitizer stations will be available throughout the building.
- Face masks will be strongly recommended for students and staff.

Campus Visitors



- All visitors/volunteers/contractors must successfully complete a health screening before entering a school building.
- All visitors entering a school building must bring a face mask and will be required to wear the mask while in the building.
- All visitors must use hand sanitizer when entering a school building.
- Use of facilities by outside groups will be limited.

Bus Transportation



- Parent drop off/pickup is encouraged.
- Assigned seating is mandatory; with family members sitting together if possible.
- Masks will be strongly recommended while riding the bus since social distancing is limited.

Facilities and Routines



- Movement between classes will be minimized when possible.
- Schools will follow current CDC guidelines for large group assemblies.
- Students will be allowed to bring their own water bottle and use the refill stations, but not drink from fountains.
- Daily cleaning will include disinfection of all touch points, all flat surfaces within reach of the students and all floors.

Health Clinics/ Nurse



- School Nurses will be on staff
- Telemedicine will be offered this year at GES and SCMS.
- Students with symptoms and/or a temperature of 100.4 or greater will be placed in an isolated room and asked to wear a mask until they can be picked up by parents/guardians.
- Clinics will be cleaned throughout the day with appropriate disinfectant.
- Contact tracing and communication of any confirmed cases of COVID-19 will be managed case-by-case with the Sequatchie County Health Department/Southeast Regional Health