



# COVID 19 Protocols

## Updated for 2021-2022

**Hernando School District has updated health and wellness protocols in accordance with Governor's Executive Order and recommendations from the Department of Health.**

### Face Coverings

- **NEW - Strongly recommended but optional for students, staff and visitors.**
- A limited supply of disposable masks will be available.

### Quarantine

- **NEW - Vaccinated students or staff, who are symptom-free but who have been identified as being in close contact with a Covid positive individual, will NOT be quarantined.**

**\*Digital Home Learning - Per Governor's Executive Order, a digital home learning option for 2021-22 is not permitted.**

## Notification

- When an individual is confirmed positive for COVID-19, a decision is made in consultation with the Department of Health (DOH), to determine who should quarantine and for how long.
- Due to privacy laws, the district cannot share test result information. Notice of a confirmed positive will be shared with families of students who are determined to be in close contact with the positive individual.
- The school will provide general notification of a confirmed positive case.
- In the event of a substantial spread, the district may be directed to close a classroom, hallway or individual school.

## School Spaces

### Classrooms

- Adhere to social distancing where possible.
- Limit sharing of classroom materials.
- For classrooms with sinks - routine hand washing will be practiced.
- Hand sanitizing stations are available in hallways & common areas.
- Frequent sanitization of contact areas/touchpoints will occur.
- Student movement may be organized and monitored for safety.

### Cafeteria

- Adhere to social distancing where possible.
- Hand sanitizer stations located at the entryway in the cafeteria.
- Pin pads will only be used for all a la carte items and will be sanitized after each use.

### Clinic

- Clinic staff will wear personal protective equipment.
- A separate clinic space will be utilized to separate symptomatic individuals from standard clinic operations.
- Each clinic uses an air purification unit. This clean air technology filters air by trapping and removing contaminants.
- Sanitization will occur after each student visit.

## Cleaning

- School buses and classrooms are disinfected daily.
- Restrooms will be disinfected throughout the day.
- Enhanced cleaning and disinfecting of classrooms and all areas will take place each night.
- Electrostatic sprayers will be used to disinfect classrooms, busses, and common spaces.
- Additional custodial support at schools to ensure routine and frequent cleaning of high traffic areas and touchpoints.
- Signage with reminders to wash hands, use hand sanitizer and practice social distancing will be displayed.

## Key Reminders

- Encourage children to wash their hands frequently and to use hand sanitizers located on all buses, stationed throughout the school including classrooms and cafeterias.
- DO NOT send children to the bus stop or to school if they have symptoms or feel sick.

**Last updated August 2021 - Hernando School District will update information as requirements or guidelines are provided by state/local agencies .**