

2020 Reopening Plan

The Pleasant View R-VI School District plans to reopen its doors to students on August 26th, 2020! In light of the current situation with COVID-19, we must make certain adjustments to our school day and procedures. Our Reopening Plan is divided into three phases based on if we have any active cases in our school. We will begin the year in Phase 1.

Open House will look very different this year. Teachers will be sharing a video of themselves and their classroom for all parents to view on Facebook and DoJo. The evening of August 24th, we will have a drive through drop off for student school supplies and parents can also pick up their enrollment packets. The Open House will take place from 3pm to 6pm on the 24th of August.

While we will continue to encourage social distancing, we cannot fully separate students from one another. We will allow the following grades to interact with each other during lunch, recess, and some special classes: KEYS, preschool with kindergarten, first with second grade, third with fourth and fifth grade, and sixth with seventh and eighth grade. While we hope that these adjustments will be temporary, we will continue them as long as necessary to keep our students, staff, and families safe.

Phase 1: No active cases in our school

- All students and staff will have their temperature checked before boarding the school bus or entering the building each day. If the temperature is at or above 100.0 they will not be permitted to attend that day or the following day. If the forehead thermometer is reading high, an ear thermometer will be used to confirm a high temperature.
- All students (including preschool) will enter through the front doors.
- Students or staff will not be allowed to attend school if they test positive for COVID-19, a member of their immediate family has tested positive for COVID-19, or if they have been identified as a person that has had close contact with a person that has tested positive for COVID-19. The school will work very closely with the Grundy County Health Department to enforce this.
- All students and staff MUST have a personal water bottle for their own use. No water fountains will be used. Water bottle fillers will be available in three locations in the school for student use.
- Students riding the bus will have the same assigned seat each day. Families will be seated together. Buses will be disinfected between routes.
- Classroom tables will be disinfected between classes if the students will be changing.
- Only learning materials that are easy to disinfect will be used.
- Class groups will use the playground at different times. Each class group will have their own tub of playground equipment. Each week they can rotate equipment after it has been left to sit over the weekend.
- Students will eat breakfast only with members from their class group.

- Additional seating will be added to the gym and stage area to accommodate students before school. Students will only be allowed to sit with members of their class group.
- Field trips will be minimal. Parents are highly discouraged from attending.
- Lunch periods will remain at the same time, but class groups will eat at separate tables with as much spacing as possible. Eating outside will be encouraged as much as the weather permits. Parents will not be allowed to eat with children and food drop off will not be allowed.
- PE and Art will continue but with classes split apart as much as possible.
- Music will continue with additional spacing.
- Staff will encourage handwashing and model appropriate handwashing techniques at multiple times throughout the day.
- Parents will not be permitted inside of the building without an appointment. We will install a drop box outside of the building for items that need to be given to the office or a student.
- Masks are not required. If a student or staff member wishes to wear one, they must provide their own.
- Students will be allowed to participate in extracurricular activities, with a signed waiver from a parent or guardian. For athletic events, we will follow MSHSAA guidelines. We will recommend social distancing.
- As always, if students or staff are not feeling well, we encourage them to stay home.

Phase 2: A case of COVID-19 in student or staff

If the school enters Phase 2, we will have the following changes to Phase 1.

- The classes in close contact with the active case will switch to virtual learning until cleared by the health department.
- We will follow local health department guidelines for extracurricular activities.
- Classes will eat in more areas of the building to increase social distancing.
- Classes will no longer interact with their class group. Specials classes may be shortened to allow each class their own time.
- No field trips.
- Masks will be strongly encouraged.

Phase 3: Community spread in the school building

- The school building will close and we will transition to virtual classrooms. More information will be provided in a Remote Learning Plan from the school and each teacher.
- All staff not exhibiting symptoms or considered a close contact will report to the building Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 8am-3:30pm.
- Teachers will post video educational materials on those days, assign assignments, grade homework, and answer questions from students. On Tuesday and Thursday, students are to work on the assigned work. Teachers will have office hours from 8am-3:30pm but are permitted to work from home.
- Support staff will report and will assist with childcare, meal preparation, and custodial work.
- The school will reopen as soon as the Grundy County Health Department deem it is safe to do so.