Mellen School District COVID-19 Response Plan FAQ's 2021-22

Topic	Description		
Arrival/Dismissal of School: What changes will be made to the school arrival and dismissal procedures?	We will have staggered arrival and dismissal times. Students will also have designated entrance and exit doors.		
Serving Meals: What changes will be implemented during meal services?	Elementary students will be eating breakfast in the classrooms and lunch in the lunchroom. There will be staggered release times for food service.		
Transportation: How will health and safety be managed on the bus?	Social distancing to the greatest extent practicable. Assigned seating in family groups. Face coverings are required.		
Class Transitions: What changes will be made in hallway procedures during class changes?	Teachers will release students at staggered times to minimize the number of students in the hallways at any given time. Stairwells will be designated by grade levels. Traffic flow and spacing will be marked on floors.		
Large Group Gatherings & Visitor Access: How will large group gatherings such as assemblies, concerts, and extracurricular events?	Large group gatherings will be planned with social distancing to the greatest extent practicable. Nonessential visitors will have limited access to the building.		
Classrooms: What is the procedure for preventive cleaning in classrooms? How are "hands-on" classes, such as PE, Art, and Music going to be different?	Classrooms will be provided with disinfectant supplies. Commonly touched surfaces will be disinfected between class periods. Students will travel to the Art and Music classrooms. Phy Ed will be held outside as much as possible with individual activities planned.		
Health Screenings: What are the procedures?	Students and staff will self-screen daily prior to coming to school		
Face coverings: Will face coverings be required?	Face coverings will be optional onsite unless local COVID-19 cases reach the high risk level. Face coverings are still required on the bus.		
Common Areas: How will common areas, such as the LMC, Bathrooms, and Cafeteria be routinely cleaned/sanitized?	A general cleaning aide will be hired to disinfect common areas multiple times throughout the school day.		
School Closure: How will classroom and school closures be communicated to parents?	In the event of a school closure parents/guardians will be informed via autodialer, email, school website, FB etc. School closure deleted as of 1/25/2022		
Registration/Open House: What is the plan for registration night and open house?	Open house will be held onsite 8/25 with more information to follow.		