COATESVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

RE-OPENING OF SCHOOL PLAN: A SAFE RETURN TO IN PERSON LEARNING

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- 1. Facts
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Change in Chester County Health Department Guidance

- The Chester County Health Department (CCHD) is sending out new guidance that allows for schools to reducing distancing in order to increase the amount of in-person learning. CCHD met with County Superintendents to discuss:
 - ▶ 6 feet still recommended, but no less than 3 feet between students.
 - Change can occur when County achieves case counts of less than than 100 cases per 100,000 for 3 consecutive weeks.
 - Staff must still remain 6 feet from other adults and from students.
 - Other mitigation efforts must remain in place (masking, hygiene, contact tracing, etc.)
 - An online/remote option must be offered
 - ▶ We are seeking clarification on a number of points/official written guidance



What Does This Mean For CASD?

- To the greatest extent possible every effort will be made to meet the new recommendations
- Minimum recommendation standard to be maintained for successful mitigation
- Mitigation Strategies process and procedures to be followed to assist with decreased risk of transmission and infection
- Communication is extremely important and impacts the CASD students, their families, and the CASD staff
- Develop plans to meet the Chester County Department of Health Guidelines



How Will This Impact CASD?

- Apply new guidance to the CASD
- Analyze the impact this will have on students, families, and staff (How many students can we return to 4 day a week in-person learning? Will we have to move to an A/B Hybrid model?)
- Develop updates to our Re-opening Plan that will meet the new minimum recommendations and continue to decrease transmission and infection rates.



Current Student Data on In Person, Virtual, and BVA/Cyber Learning Platforms

	Number of Students Virtual	Number of Students In Person
Caln	93	295
East Fallowfield	100	265
Kings Highway	109	363
Rainbow	183	684
Reeceville	100	251
Scott	122	268
North	96	263
Intermediate High	250	560
Senior High	462	824
BVA/Cyber	151	N/A

Communication To Staff and Families on Returning To In Person Learning

- Reduced physical distancing guidance (but no less than 3 feet between students and 6 feet from their teachers)
- Mask requirement no gaiters
- Acquire commitment from families to determine student numbers per classroom

Creating New Social Distancing Models

- Apply new guidelines to the social distancing model in each building
- Concerns about Space Square Footage and Possible Hybrid Model Remaining
- 4 Day Instruction Model with possible Continued Use of Remote Wednesdays



Staffing

- Issues for Consideration:
 - Quarantine
 - Coverage
 - Closure
- Vaccinations
- Staff Return to Teaching In Person

Transportation

- Number of Virtual Students To Return
- ► Turn Around Time For Changes
- Staffing Bus Runs
- Consolidation of Bus Runs
- PPE and Safety Procedures



Facilities

- Staffing Custodians
- Classroom Models
- Furniture Moves
- PPE Inventory
- Water Coolers

Food Service

- Breakfast
- Lunch
- Cafeteria Guidelines, 6 ft Distance
- Recess
- General Purpose Tents



Childcare

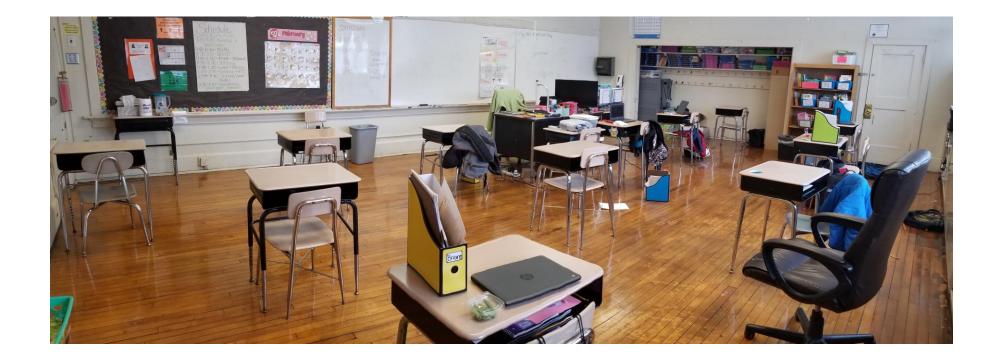
Communications and Increase for Childcare Opportunities

COVID Testing

- Antigen Testing for Students and Employees
- CCIU/CASD Sites
- MOA between the School Board and Chester County Health Department



Current Classroom Configuration Caln Elementary School



Current Classroom Configuration East Fallowfield Elementary School



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Timeline To Phase In Additional In-Person Learning

- Return All Students to In Person Learning March 15, 2021, providing case counts continue to fall
- > 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month will Remain Virtual Learning for all Students
- Monday, Tuesday, 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month, Thursday, Friday In Person Learning in All Schools
- Follow a Social Distancing Model of minimum of 3 ft in all instructional classrooms (6 feet from teachers to students, and adult to adult)
- Follow a Social Distancing Model of 6 ft for all Lunches
- In the event of having to close buildings or classrooms because of infection rates, students will receive instructional through a virtual platform until In-Person Learning can continue

Next Steps

- Share Information at Board and Committee Meetings
- Share information on Website, and via email and phone to parents and staff.
- Engage Administration and Teachers with The Plan
- Collect learning model commitment forms from families
- Finalize plan with a timeline to safely and properly address the needs of students, staff, and facilities.
- Broadly share this next phase of the plan with our community; District-wide and schoolbased communications. District will publish Frequently Asked Questions on website.



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Questions

