# MEREDOSIA-CHAMBERSBURG RE-OPEN PLAN 2022-2023

**Instruction and Professional Development**: Focused on ensuring we meet the needs of our students as we return in the fall as well as determining the professional development that our staff will need to meet the needs of students over the course of the school year. Planned for all 3 scenarios and specific responsibilities of all stakeholders were reviewed.

**Health & Safety:** Reviewed the guidance from ISBE, IDPH and the CDC and worked to meet those guidelines. Discussed quarantine rooms, screening and other health related topics.

**Communications**: Focused on ensuring constant communication and that stakeholders are informed as decisions are made. Preferred methods of Communication.

**Extra & Co-Curricular:** Focused on ensuring activities and athletics meet the IHSA, IDPH and ISBE requirements while still allowing our students to practice, rehearse, and compete safely.

**Accessibility & Technology:** will focus on ensuring students and staff have the technology they need to complete their work/tasks. (All students enrolled in the district - Chromebook, hot spots, Apex, AR, IXL and Zoom) Continuing to look for solutions for online remote learning.)

**Social-Emotional Supports:** Social Worker and Counselor coordinated resources and supports for students, families, and staff as we return to school ensuring students' needs are met as we make a strong transition back to school.

# **Special Services**

Parents of students who have chronic medical conditions should contact their child's building school health care aid and administration. Together, the team should review Health Care Plans, Individual Education Plans (IEPs), 504 Plans and any other relevant documentation in order to make any necessary accommodations. Schools may request a Release of Information to consult the child's medical provider, if necessary.

- Should a student be unable to attend school all day due to a health condition, consideration can be given to a hybrid approach of instruction. This could include a MCSD employee providing services to a student. MCSD employees provide services to the student at school either individually or in a small group to minimize physical contact when appropriate. For students with IEPs, the child's IEP team will meet to determine the nature, extent, and service delivery model.
- MCSD employees working with students who require instruction or related services that involve hands-on work or other intervention in close proximity will wear personal protective equipment (PPE) in order to keep themselves and the students safe.
- Students will also be required to wear face masks unless documentation is provided by a physician declaring such use poses a health risk to the student. A doctor's release will be necessary so we can confer with the physician to determine the specifics of the safety issue to the student so we can ensure the safety of our staff as well. Adapted face coverings, assistive technology, remote learning and other supports may be considered, as determined necessary by the IEP or other team, in order to ensure the proper ability to communicate and receive services.
- Evaluations that were unable to be completed due to the need for in-person testing will be completed as quickly as possible once school resumes.
- IEP meetings may continue to be held virtually based on the ability of the school to provide space that ensures appropriate social distancing requirements. This also helps us limit visitors to the buildings.

## SICK STUDENTS & STAFF

Any individual who shows any signs or symptoms of illness should stay home. Students will not be penalized for missing school and are encouraged to stay home when they are not feeling well.

- School staff/nurses will ask about symptoms when absences are reported.
- Individuals should not return to school unless they are fever free for 72 hours without fever-reducing medication.
- Students, employees, and visitors with any of the following symptoms of COVID-19 must remain home:
  - o Cough, Fatigue, Fever or chills, Headache
  - Known close contact with a person who has been diagnosed with COVID-19
  - o Measured temperature above 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit or greater,
  - Nausea or vomiting.
  - New loss of taste or smell.
  - o Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, or Sore throat.
- Any student or employee who begins to exhibit COVID-19 like symptoms should report to the school healthcare aid.
- Isolated waiting rooms have been identified in all facilities and will be used for individuals demonstrating COVID-19 symptoms until they can be picked up from school.

## **CASES OF COVID-19**

## If someone tests positive for COVID-19

- Any individual who tests positive for COVID- 19 or who shows any signs or symptoms of illness should stay home.
- Please report possible cases of COVID-19 to your school so we can initiate contact tracing.
- Individuals should not return to school for 10 days after symptoms first appeared. Individuals must also be fever free for 72 hours, without the use of fever-reducing medications.
- People who have had close contact with someone who tested positive for COVID-19 must isolate at home and monitor symptoms for 14 days. Close contact is defined as "any individual who has been closer than 6 feet for more than 15 minutes."
- The state does not require complete school closure due to a positive COVID-19 test. However, entire classrooms, clubs, and bus routes may be impacted. The number of positive cases within a setting can also have an impact.
- Students or employees returning from illness related to COVID-19 will be required to check in with the school nurse and school administrator. A doctor's note clearing staff/student for return may be required. Please contact the school before returning.
- If an employee or student tests positive, the MCSD will contact the Illinois Department of Public Health and follow its guidance for quarantine requirements and the potential closure of a school.

## Quarantine situations

- If an individual student is required to quarantine, they will be provided the option to transition into remote learning, if physically able, and those days will not be counted as absences if the student decides to work remotely during the quarantine.
- If a classroom or multiple classrooms are required to quarantine due to a positive test, impacted students will transition into remote learning during the quarantine period. If a students are physically able to participate, those days will not be counted as absences.

Traditional – Face to Face No Restriction	Blended -Face to Face/Remote	Remote
Hours	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Hours</u>
Meredosia-Chambersburg CUSD #11 will continue to run their full schedule of classes, including all electives, band, choir, & PE.\ School day will be a regular school day 8:15 - 3:05	Students will attend Monday through Thursday with Friday being a Remote Learning Day.  Face to Face Students will be served breakfast starting at 7:45. School will start at 8:15 through 2:00. Teachers will spend the last hour of the day preparing for the next day.	Students will receive work following the time requirements established in the MCSD remote learning plan.  For assistance during remote learning days student and parents may contact staff on during Staff Office Hours – 9:30 AM -1:00 PM
	Remote Students will receive work following the time requirements established in the MCSD remote learning plan.	
<u>Transportation</u>	<u>Transportation</u>	Transportation
Traditional bus routes and time schedules will be in place.	<ul> <li>Routes will be created with a maximum number of 48 students on each bus. Temperatures will be taken before the student is allowed to ride the bus. Please keep children home if they have any of the following symptoms:         <ul> <li>Cough, Fatigue, Fever or chills, Headache</li> <li>Known close contact with a person who has been diagnosed with COVID-19</li> <li>Measured temperature above 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit or greater</li> <li>Nausea or vomiting</li> <li>New loss of taste or smell,</li> <li>Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, or Sore throat.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Buses will be cleaned between routes and again at the end of the day to allow ample</li> </ul>	

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	disinfectant dwell time before the next day.  • Students will be required to wear masks while on the bus.	
<u>Visitors</u>	<u>Visitors</u>	<u>Visitors</u>
Traditional sign-in and visitor procedures will be in place.	<ul> <li>Limits will be placed on visitors, volunteers, and activities with external groups.</li> <li>All visitors will be required to sign-in.</li> <li>Visitors will also be temperature screened. This data will be used should contact tracing become necessary.</li> <li>All visitors to facilities will be required to wear masks and will have limited access to the building as a whole.</li> </ul>	The following will apply during the established hours on remote learning days:  • Limits will be placed on visitors, volunteers, and activities with external groups.  • All visitors will be required to sign-in. Visitors will also be temperature screened. This data will be used should contact tracing become necessary.  • All visitors to facilities will be required to wear masks and will have limited access to the building as a whole.
<u>Lunch Plan</u>	<u>Lunch Plan</u>	<u>Lunch Pan</u>
Traditional breakfast and lunch schedules and protocols will be followed.	Grades K-12:  Students will eat in groups smaller than 50 in our cafeteria and small gym with social distancing.  Students will not have to wear a mask while eating.  Staff who supervise lunch will have to wear a mask.  Students will be able to bring lunch from home as well.  Sack breakfast and lunch will be provided on remote learning days.	Sack breakfast and lunch will be provided via weekly pickup for remote learning days.

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Students will be expected to complete all assignments, assessments, and projects in a timely manner. If they are not completed in a timely manner, a failing grade could be received. Grades will impact GPA, class rank, and the student's ability to earn entrance into honor level classes. An emphasis will be placed on the assessment of learning as it pertains to the mastery of learning objectives. All assignments will be graded when appropriate and students will be provided with feedback on each graded assignment. We will continue to follow the district's normal grading calendar.

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- Increased daily cleaning protocols will be instituted at all facilities with an emphasis on repeated cleaning of high-touch/high-traffic areas.
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- Classroom seating will be configured with maximum allowable space between students with desks facing the same direction as often as possible
- Elementary schedules will be developed in a way that will limit student movement throughout the day.
- Employees will modify instructional plans to reduce student contact and the sharing of materials and/or equipment while maintaining appropriate social distancing to the greatest extent possible. No classes will have more than 50 individuals in one space at one time, including PE, choir, band, etc.

#### Recess

Traditional recess schedules and protocols will be followed.

#### **Outdoor Recess**

- Face masks are not required outside if 6 feet of distance is maintained. Limits will be placed on the number of students on equipment at one time.
- No more than 50 students may congregate in one section of a play area at a time while maintaining social distance.
   Students will wash their hands before and after using playground equipment.