

Kootenai School District #274

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2021-2022 Kootenai School District COVID-19 Operational Plan

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PPE Strategies

- Face coverings, especially masks, are strongly encouraged but is the choice of the individual student, family, and staff.
- Sanitizer is available in all workspace and key locations.
- Social distancing is encouraged when appropriate.
- Parents of students with special medical needs or disabilities should immediately contact their child's school to develop a plan based on their individual needs.
- The District will make available vaccination clinics for staff, students, and community members when offered through Panhandle Health.

Classrooms

- Surfaces will be sanitized regularly.
- Chromebooks will not be shared, but each student will be issued their own.
- When possible, seating arrangements will accommodate social distancing.
- Shared supplies will be restricted when possible.
- Student belongings will be kept separate.
- Every classroom will have a Airsoap air sanitizing unit, as well as wall mounted units to sanitize hallways and common areas.
- All daily activities and procedures will be conducted in a manner in which students and staff are kept to the smallest and most consistent cohort group possible. Considerations for small cohort groups will include, but are not limited to common areas, buses, hallways, classrooms, intervention services, cafeteria, playground, and restrooms.

Attendance

- Attendance is calculated under the guides of district and state requirements.
- When a student misses school contact should be made with the school to make arrangements to collect missing assignments and develop a plan to address missed instruction. Please be sure to contact your child's school the day of the absence.

Cafeteria

- Breakfast with maximum spacing and assigned seating by classroom, utilize outdoor space when possible
- Hand sanitizer available upon entry
- Limit contact
- Lunch- staggered schedule to limit number of students in the cafeteria

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Assemblies/Field Trips

- Approved on a case by case basis
- Limit number of outside groups visiting school

Visitors

- No irregular/unscheduled visitors
- Limited visitors to parents, by appointment, and critically important visitors
- All exterior doors locked during school hours
- Ring bell at the front door to be admitted at appointment time
- Parent pick-up and drop-off procedure are at regular times

Busing

- Hand sanitizer available
- Regular routes and regular ridership.
- Seating charts will be required.

How will the Kootenai School District address student's academic, social, emotional, and mental health needs?

- Conduct full time, full day, in school, session classes 5 days a week.
- Provide students with additional support during summer school, after school, and intervention programs.
- All students participate in ongoing diagnostic assessments to identify academic needs.

Student progress/need is routinely monitored at SST meetings.

- Students will participate in annual surveys focused on culture, climate, communication, engagement, and safety needs/conditions.
- Students identified as "at risk" may have a RTI, IEP, 504, or IDLP plan developed to address student needs.
- The KSD employs a full time Guidance Counselor.
- The KSD Wellness committee will conduct meetings to focus on staff's social, emotional, mental health, and safety data.
- The KSD Safety committee meets to address staff safety concerns to include social/emotional/mental health needs.

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How will Kootenai School District address staff's social, emotional, and mental health needs?

- Building administrators lead weekly collaborative meetings that may include a focus on staff needs.
- Staff will participate in annual surveys focused on culture, climate, communication, engagement, and safety needs/conditions.
- The KSD Wellness committee will conduct meetings to focus on staff's social, emotional, mental health, and safety data.
- The KSD Safety committee meets to address staff safety concerns to include social/emotional/mental health needs.

Responding to a Confirmed Case of COVID-19

An important part of limiting the spread of COVID-19 in our community is identifying those who may be sick, infected or who have been exposed, and requires all of us working together to maintain a healthy and safe environment for all students and staff.

Student/Family Responsibilities:

- If you have tested positive or have been confirmed to have COVID-19:
 - **Do not attend school.**
 - Notify your school of the positive test and your student's need to be absent.
 - Students who have tested positive for COVID-19 or who have not been tested but were directed to stay home from school may return to school under the following conditions (per CDC guidance):
 - At least 10 days since symptoms first appeared **AND**
 - At least 24 hours with no fever without the use of fever-reducing medications **AND**
 - Symptoms have improved.

Students are responsible to continue to do their best work possible. Traditional grades and accountability will be in place.

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Communication Strategies Used to Update Students/Parents/Staff of Current Health Related Information:

Social media: <https://www.facebook.com/KootenaiSchoolDistrict274/>

School Messenger

District Webpage: www.sd274.com

Please refer to the district policy 3520: Contagious or Infectious Disease

The plan is a living document and will be updated in accordance with new guidance from the CDC, Governor's office, SBOE, SDE, IHSAA, Panhandle Health and other state and local officials at a minimum of every six months.