



Warsaw R-IX School District

COVID Re-Entry Plan 2020

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Overview

The Warsaw R-IX School District, in collaboration with the Benton County Health Department and nearby school districts, has taken multiple steps to prepare for the health, wellness, and safety for students and staff as we return to seated school. This guide is a living document and will be updated with new information as it becomes available.

Until enhanced safety protocols are no longer required due to COVID-19, we will be following a 3-tiered plan, as outlined below. Levels are based on the [COVID Risk Levels Dashboard](#) (More information regarding the methodology and rationale can be found [here](#)) and discussions with local health officials.

Please note: The information provided by the Dashboard, along with the information provided by the BCHD and other local officials, serve as guides for District decision-making. The levels listed below detail the protocols that will be implemented when the district decides to enter that level.

LEVEL GREEN

Limited to moderate virus exposure in school and/or community
< 1 case/100,000 over 7 day rolling average

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- ✓ Students will attend class in person daily.
 - ✓ Cleaning and disinfecting practices will be increased in all areas used by students and staff.
 - ✓ Visitors allowed inside building with administrator permission only.
 - ✓ Staff and students may be self-screened for [symptoms](#) and/or temperature.
 - ✓ Protocols for social distancing put in place where possible.
 - ✓ Students and staff are highly encouraged to remain as socially distant as possible.
 - ✓ Masks encouraged and may be required for staff and students in cases where distancing isn't possible.
 - ✓ Students/staff will be sent home if they are exhibiting common [symptoms](#) of COVID-19. A negative COVID-19 test, a release from medical professional, or 10 days symptom free required prior to return to school.
 - ✓ Breakfast will be bagged (grab and go).
 - ✓ Lunch will be eaten in cafeterias.
 - ✓ Restrictions may be in place for spectators of activities.
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LEVEL YELLOW

Moderate to significant virus exposure in school and/or community
1-24 cases/100,000 over 7 day rolling average

- ✓ Students may attend class in person daily, or utilize a hybrid learning model.
 - ✓ Cleaning and sanitizing will be performed more often each day.
 - ✓ Students and staff will be self-screened each day for [symptoms](#) and temperature.
 - ✓ Visitors allowed with administrator approval only, mask required.
 - ✓ Masks will be required for staff and students when distancing not possible. (Young students may be excluded from this requirement)
 - ✓ Restrictions will be in place to assure social distancing where possible.
 - ✓ Students/staff will be sent home if they are exhibiting common [symptoms](#) of COVID-19. A negative COVID-19 test, a release from a medical professional, or 10 days symptom free required prior to return to school.
 - ✓ Breakfast will be bagged (grab and go).
 - ✓ Lunches will be eaten in classrooms or in cafeterias at reduced capacities on a rotation.
 - ✓ If spectators of activities are allowed to attend, there will be restrictions and/or limitations.
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LEVEL RED

Significant virus exposure in school and community. Could be temporary or long-term.
25+ cases/100,000 over 7 day rolling average

- ✓ Distance will be implemented using personal devices and/or traditional methods.
 - ✓ Accommodations will be made for students without internet and those with disabilities
 - ✓ Meal plans will be in place.
 - ✓ Pickup and drop off locations for assignments will be established.
 - ✓ Activities *may* be allowed when school is not in session.
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ADDITIONAL PROTOCOLS REGARDLESS OF LEVEL

Transportation

- ✓ Buses will be appropriately disinfected after each use.
- ✓ Buses will have hand sanitizer installed.
- ✓ Bus drivers have been properly trained in COVID safety measures.

Arrival/Dismissal

- ✓ Students will use hand sanitizer or hand washing upon arrival into/dismissal from classrooms.
- ✓ Common areas will be restricted where feasible.

Classrooms

- ✓ Students will be encouraged to maintain distance from each other in the school and taught appropriate hygiene/COVID practices: [COVID 19 Do the 5!](#)
- ✓ Teachers will be encouraged to limit student contact (for example, not gathering the class together on a carpet or by limiting close proximity group activities).
- ✓ Elementary students will keep their own supplies for use in the classroom.
- ✓ Personal water bottles will be encouraged as only bottle filling stations will be available.
- ✓ Built in time during the day for frequent hand washing and hand sanitizing.
- ✓ Appropriate measures will be taken for cleaning Chromebooks and other devices.
- ✓ Observe students for illness prior to starting class and refer students to the nurse.

Passing Periods

- ✓ Passing periods will be monitored by staff in hallways.
- ✓ Movement throughout buildings will be limited or reduced, including single file lines.
- ✓ Hand washing/hand sanitizing will be available.

Playgrounds

- ✓ Students will be monitored for social distancing while on playgrounds.
- ✓ Zones will be used for different classes and alternated throughout the week.
- ✓ Hand washing/hand sanitizer upon re-entry to the building.
- ✓ Frequently used playground hard surfaces will be cleaned routinely.

Cleaning/Hygiene

- ✓ Custodians conducting extra cleaning with COVID and EPA approved products will target cleaning and disinfection of frequently touched hard, non-porous surfaces, such as counters, tabletops, stair rails, doorknobs, bathroom fixtures, toilets, drinking fountains, and any other surfaces that are visibly necessary
- ✓ Hand sanitizer dispensers will be installed at most exterior doors and in various locations throughout each building
- ✓ Students and families will be provided with best practices for hygiene during the school day and upon arriving at home
- ✓ Water fountains will be disabled. Only water bottle refilling stations will remain in operation.

Health Services

- ✓ School nurses will provide COVID safety training/materials to faculty and staff
- ✓ If you have medication for your child, please schedule at time with the school nurse to drop it off
- ✓ Encourage staff self-screening
- ✓ Encourage parents to screen students at home prior to sending to school
 - Sick students or staff must remain at home
 - Anyone with a temperature greater than 100.4° must remain at home
- ✓ Exclusion procedures will follow District policy and recommendations/requirements from the local health department.

Attendance

- ✓ Due to the unique circumstance, we will not offer attendance rewards such as gift cards