

TRI-TOWNSHIP CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL CORPORATION



TTS Return-to-School Plan

County / Community Phase	GREEN	YELLOW			RED
Phase determined by county and state health department	Regular Calendar and School Day with Social Distance / PPE	This level brings into play one of the three models below. The choice would be made in consultation with local and state health officials.			School is closed for in-person learning
Instructional Model	Traditional Model (Remote Option Available)	Traditional Model (Remote Option Available)	Hybrid	Fully Remote Learning Model	Fully Remote Learning Model
Response & Protocols (As determined by state and local health officials with input from stakeholders & extra-curricular organizations such as IHSAA).	<p>Facilities are fully open and usable but with enhanced screening, cleaning, and preventative measures.</p> <p>*Limitations to visitors as appropriate. *PPE required as appropriate.</p> <p>Full Extra-Curricular Programs</p>	<p>School Buildings Open.</p> <p>*Enhanced Mitigation Strategies</p> <p>*Targeted Closures for enhanced cleaning measures are possible *PPE required as appropriate</p> <p>Limited ECA's based on risk</p>	<p>Limited / Staggered use of school facilities</p> <p>A combination of remote and in-person learning models</p> <p>*Enhanced mitigation strategies. *PPE required as appropriate.</p> <p>Limited ECA's based on risk</p>	<p>Minimal use of school facilities.</p> <p>Limited ECA's based on risk</p>	<p>School Facilities closed to all but essential staff for a duration to be determined with input from state and local health officials.</p> <p>No in-person Extra-Curricular Programs</p>

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“Enhanced cleaning / mitigation strategies” defined:

Tri-Township has made a significant investment in modernized cleaning equipment. Both buildings will utilize fogging / spraying technology that will allow our custodial staff to provide a deep clean at the end of every school day. During the school day, stringent cleaning protocols will be followed by all employees. The goal with both of these new measures is to provide a sanitized learning environment for all students and staff.

“Limitations to visitors as appropriate” defined: With the obvious goal of limiting the possibility of facility contamination or virus transmission, visitor policies will be different for the foreseeable future. As an example, in the past we have allowed visits during the student lunch period. That practice is one that will have to be put on hold as we put focus on the most sterile environment we can provide.

“PPE required as appropriate” defined: Every student and staff member will be required to have a mask with them at all times. This DOES NOT mean we are going to require anyone to have to wear a mask every minute of the school day. We believe that would be untenable and detrimental to the strong education we aspire to provide. There will be times when a mask is necessary and there will be times when a mask is required. Here are some examples: During the bus ride to school, a mask is required. During passing periods or movement through the hallways of any kind, a mask will be required. During person to person direct conversation, a mask will be required.

When in class, and all students are seated, and the teacher is providing whole group instruction, masks can be worn down, or up, or taken off during that time period. We believe our social distancing protocols can mitigate the need for those masks during that particular time. We believe our desire to provide good teaching and learning requires this. This protocol does fall in line with the direction provided from federal, state, and local health care professionals.



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Additional Information

Parent Role for a successful return to school: Parents must screen students before sending to school for:

- Fever higher than 100.4°
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Chills
- Repeated shaking with chills
- Muscle Pain
- Headache
- Sore Throat
- New loss of taste or smell

Students who exhibit one or more of the symptoms of COVID-19 listed above based on CDC Guidance that is not otherwise explained **must stay home**.

Reporting:

Parents and staff **must report a positive COVID-19 test** to the school immediately. This includes anyone in the home of a student or staff member and also any known exposures. This will allow school personnel to work with county health department officials to determine the appropriate steps.

Transportation:

Parents are encouraged to transport students to and from school. **Masks** will be **required** to travel **on the bus**.



Additional Information Continued

Mask Requirement Explained:

Research is supporting that wearing a mask, when social distancing isn't possible, greatly reduces virus transmission. To that end, we are requiring every student and staff member to have a mask with them for those times. We will operate with masks the same way we operate with many other school related directives. When a staff member instructs a student "mask up" the mask goes on. When they say, "mask down" the masks can come down around the neck or off at their desk. It will be no different than letting the student know they need a sheet of paper and a number 2 pencil. The majority of the school day will be spent with the masks not having to be worn. Our staff members will instruct and practice with students so that they know when masks are required and when they aren't.

Here are some situations where masks will be required. This is not a comprehensive list.

- On a school bus
- During a passing period or anytime in the hallway
- In restrooms
- When visiting the office
- When visiting the nurse's station
- When receiving direct individual instruction
- When part of a small group for instruction
- Anytime a staff member asks for the mask to be up or worn.



Additional Information continued

Cleaning Strategies New and Enhanced

- New Electrostatic Spraying Machines employed nightly
- Teachers and Support staff will contribute to cleaning needs throughout the school day
- Hand Sanitizer Stations will be provided at entry points and throughout the building
- Bus drivers will institute a cleaning protocol prior to morning and afternoon routes.

Social Distancing Protocols

- Informational and directional signage will be posted throughout the facilities
- Spaces will be utilized differently to maximize social distancing
- In certain instances, teachers will move to students rather than groups of students travelling to different teachers
- CARES Act Funds are being utilized to enhance social distancing. One example is the hiring of an additional staff member to divide large groups of students
- Building Principals, along with their teachers, are continuing to devise daily schedule options for social distancing maximization.

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Alternative to in-person school attendance:

- Parents and students of Tri-Township will be offered a fully distance option for continuing your education with us.
- Our administrative staff, with input from teachers, are in the process of determining details for those various delivery models. Depending on grade level, independence level, and content being covered, curriculum will be delivered directly by our staff member or through an approved on-line curriculum provider with assistance from our staff members. Again, details will be forthcoming from each building.