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2021-22 Return to School Information for Lake Shore Public Schools

Lake Shore Public Schools is committed to utilizing layered mitigation strategies to reduce the spread and potential exposure of COVID-19 while being responsive to community COVID levels, both spread increase and decrease. The District will continue to work closely with the Macomb County Health Department, communicate known strategies for reducing risk and creating safer environments, as well as enforce all health orders. Lake Shore will utilize and encourage multiple preventative measures while being prepared to institute increased measures if necessary.

Health Screening

Students and staff should utilize the daily health screening provided by the Macomb County Health Department. Students and staff should not be reporting to school if they show symptoms of COVID-19. https://health.macombgov.org/sites/default/files/content/government/covid19/pdf/appendix-b-covid-19-student-self-screening-form-mchd-08.12.2021.pdf

Return to School Toolkit

Please take time to review the most recent guidance from the Macomb County Health Department. <u>https://health.macombgov.org/sites/default/files/content/government/covid19/pdf/covid-19-return-to-school-toolkit-mchd-08.12.21-1_0.pdf</u>

COVID-19 Vaccine

All persons 12 years and older are encouraged to utilize the available vaccination as a means for immunizing individuals against COVID and minimizing its spread and impact. Please speak to your health care provider or the Macomb County Health Department for further information.

Building Cleaning

Classrooms, hallways, common areas, bathrooms, cafeterias, busses, etc. will continue to utilize enhanced cleaning procedures established last year. These include enhanced air filtration, disinfecting and antiviral misting, wiping down of frequent touch points, and hand sanitizing stations.

<u>Masks</u>

Currently, face masks are recommended by the CDC, American Academy of Pediatrics, Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, and the Macomb County Health Department for students, staff and visitors in school buildings while school is in session. <u>Per the current CDC health order, they are required on all school busses.</u>

Social Distancing

Social distancing and student spacing of greater than 3 feet should be utilized as much as possible.

Close Contact

Close contacts are defined as persons who have been within 6 feet of a probable or confirmed case of COVID-19 for a cumulative total of 15 minutes or more over a 24 hour period.

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Quarantine

Quarantine rules have been established by the Macomb County Health Department and will be enforced by Lake Shore Public Schools. They are as follows:

- A student or staff person who is a close contact of a person with confirmed or probable COVID-19 will be sent home from school and remain quarantined at home for 10 days after the date of last exposure (for non-household contacts). The quarantine period for household contacts is 10 days after the date the person with confirmed or probable COVID-19 completes their isolation period if ongoing close household contact cannot be avoided. If ongoing close household contact can be avoided, the quarantine period is 10 days after the date close household contact ended.
- Quarantine is not necessary for students exposed only in the classroom, while both the index case and close contact were masked and sitting at least 3 feet apart.
- Students or staff persons who have tested positive for COVID-19 in the past 3 months do not need to quarantine.
- Students or staff persons who have been fully vaccinated against COVID-19 do not need to quarantine. Fully vaccinated is defined as 2 weeks or more following receipt of the second dose using a 2-dose series or receipt of one dose using a single dose vaccine.
- Students or staff persons who are contacts of a contact do not need to quarantine for 10 days. Contacts of a contact are persons who have not had direct contact with a person with confirmed or probable COVID-19 but instead have had close contact with someone who has had direct contact with a person with confirmed or probable COVID-19.
- Students or staff persons who are close contacts and who test positive for COVID19 must be reported to the Macomb County Health Department and managed as previously outlined.

Case Notification

Notification of confirmed cases will be shared via SchoolMessenger and case counts will be posted daily to our website.

COVID Liaison/School Medical Assistants

Lake Shore will continue to employee medical assistants at each building and a COVID Liaison to assist families in COVID and health related matters.

Instructional model

All K-12 students will attend in-person, full-time, 5 days per week, regular start and end times unless they have opted for the virtual option.

Virtual Platform

Lake Shore will utilize Edgenuity, Michigan Virtual, and Lake Shore staff for its virtual learning platforms. All students will be assigned a Lake Shore staff member as a mentor and district contact. We ask for students to remain in their virtual classes until the completion of the semester.