

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF SOLON SPRINGS

8993 E Baldwin Avenue - Solon Springs, WI 54873

Welcome Back to School! 2022-23 COVID Information

We are excited about the return of students to a new school year. Over the past two years we have been so appreciative of how the community, parents, students and staff have helped us migrate through these unique times.

We are especially thankful for the ongoing communication between parents and school. The proactive communication of parents calling our Health Screener has helped reduce COVID's impact at school.

Our goal for 2022-23 is to have students educated at school whenever possible.

Below is the most recently approved Opening of School COVID procedures. Our plan is meant to be flexible to protect the health of individuals. On a monthly basis the School Board reviews our plan for possible changes.

Please feel free to contact our Health Screener, Christine Nordness, Principal Holly Jones or me as the need arises.

On behalf of the School, Frank Helquist
Superintendent



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Opening of School COVID Procedures Approved by Solon Springs School Board <u>August 22, 2022</u>

- 1) **Masking** Facial coverings use is optional, on a voluntary basis, including on buses.
- 2) Safer Distancing 3 foot distance will be utilized when indoors as is feasible
- 3) Classroom Partitions Are available for those who request
- 4) Handwashing Emphasis on handwashing and use of hand sanitizing will continue.
- 5) **Ongoing School Cleaning** Continue cleaning and as needed, heavier disinfecting of building.
- 6) Vaccinations Are optional
- 7) **COVID Swab Screening** Available upon request and upon parent consent (District is working with a grant program to increase access to swab screenings for students, staff and family members).
- 8) **Visitor Limits** Outside access to school will be limited and subject to screening procedures including questionnaire and/or temperature check. Appointments are encouraged.
- Accommodations District will consider Americans with Disabilities student and employee accommodation requests. Individual plans may be developed for immune compromised students.
- 10) **Ongoing Consultation & Flexibility** District will continue to consult with County and other organizations as the need arises. The District realizes that the COVID situation may change, thus flexibility in meeting the safety needs of students and staff is important.
- 11) *Communications* Basic Health information updates will be posted on the District's website. The Health Screener will continue to contact parents individually in classrooms where some or all of the students were in close contact. She will also send letters home. Electronic communication regarding COVID incidents affecting school will be sent to parents via email alerts or Skyward Alerts.



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Rapid Covid Testing – COVID Clinic will probably be operating at school (one or two days per week) for the purpose of testing students and staff. We will let people know the COVID Clinic testing schedule. Additionally, Solon Springs School will be receiving a large number of test kits that may be accessible for parents and community members (detailed information will be shared in the future about this option.)

POSITIVE STUDENT/STAFF:

Students/staff that test positive will be placed in isolation for 5 days and <u>MUST</u> be fever free for 24hrs without the use of fever reducing medications. The positive student/staff can return on day 6 and <u>MUST</u> wear a mask through day 10. On day 11, students/staff are able to remove masks.

CLOSE CONTACT SIBLINGS:

Siblings of students or staff of students that test positive do not need to quarantine if they are asymptomatic. Instead, they are to mask and recommend testing on day 5. If symptoms develop, the student is to remain home and recommended to test. If negative, return to school masked. If positive, see positive STUDENT/STAFF guidelines above.

CLASSROOM CLOSE CONTACT:

Close contacts within the classroom are **NOT REQUIRED** to quarantine. It is the parents/guardians decision to quarantine and/or test their student. Parents/guardians will be notified by phone/email if there is a close contact within the classroom.

Questions?

Contact Christine Nordness – Solon Springs School Health Screener

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Thank you for your cooperation!