

Pleasanton Public Schools
COVID-19 Plan
2021-2022 School Year

Current Status (**GREEN**)

Due to the inability to accurately collect data, we are no longer posting case numbers for the district. We do not want to mislead the public with inaccurate data. Please continue to follow the safety precautions outlined below to reduce the risk of transmission in our school.

Updated 10/25/21

There are five probable scenarios included in this plan for the upcoming school year. The scenario and rationale that help identify each scenario are listed below. It is important to remember that remaining adaptable will be key as the situation can change rapidly. Decision makers must be allowed flexibility to adapt to the situation as it arises.

Scenario 1: The school is in regular session with all students and staff in the classroom.

Rationale: The school has established guidelines for the reopening of school while abiding by state and local health directives to the best of our ability.

Scenario 2: School is in session with an altered schedule from that initially planned. Beginning and ending dates, as well as scheduled vacation periods, or daily hours in session may be modified to meet Nebraska Department of Education instructional requirements per Rule 10.

Rationale: Due to COVID related restrictions and directives from government agencies, the school may be forced to alter the schedule to meet instructional requirements while still keeping students in school.

Scenario 3: School is in session with short-term closures.

Rationale: School would remain in session under one of the first two scenarios, however, there may be short-term closures (2-14 days) required should a student or staff member test positive for COVID-19. Decisions made during this time would include input from the Two Rivers Health Department. Instruction would continue via technology or other methods if we are required to close for contact tracing, deep cleaning, or quarantine purposes.

Scenario 4: Hybrid Situation

Rationale: This situation could include a) alternate day or half-day classes, b) students remaining in one room with teachers rotating, c) on-campus assessments only during remote learning, d) select high needs students only on campus, e) students remain in one classroom with one teacher receiving remote instruction from other teachers.

Scenario 5: Remote learning

Rationale: This scenario would exist if we are directed to close our building for an extended time (beyond two weeks) by governmental agencies.

Pleasanton Public Schools will operate using four phases much like the state government has done during the COVID-19 Pandemic and will generally follow the Two Rivers Public Health Department color code, however, we reserve the right to modify our color code based on our local experience independent of Two Rivers Public Health Department.

RED: School closed = Scenario 5 - Remote Learning. Building closed to the public. School employees may be required to continue working from the premises.

ORANGE: Some form of Hybrid Schedule likely to help minimize contact, however school closure is not mandated. Scenario 4 - Masks required, possible alternating days/half days, or required to come in for assessments only.

YELLOW: Students remain in school, masks recommended for those not vaccinated, with additional social distancing measures taken. Scenario 1-2 or 3 in place.

GREEN: Regular school schedule.

Temperature Checks - Pleasanton Public School will not conduct daily temperature checks of students due to the significantly lower percentage of students who manifest a temperature as an initial symptom of COVID-19, as noted in the CDC, July 23rd memo. However, parents are strongly encouraged to check student temperatures prior to sending them to school each day. Students with temperatures of **100.4** or higher should NOT be sent to school. Temperature checks will be made at school if students show symptoms of fever. Any student whose temperature is **100.4** degrees or higher will be required to go home.

Students with Fever of 100.4 or higher

Are required to be sent home.

Green- Yellow - Orange, they must remain home fever free for a minimum of 24 hours without medication or any other symptoms per our Return to School Protocol.

Staff with Fever of 100.4 or higher

Staff are required to go home. Must meet the same criteria as students prior to return.

Cleaning

GREEN - Daily cleaning of student attendance centers. All staff will have disinfectant spray available and will follow all application guidelines.

YELLOW - In addition to the daily cleaning, other modifications may be made to provide more intense disinfection as recommended/required.

ORANGE - In addition to **GREEN & YELLOW** cleaning procedures we will seek additional guidance from Two Rivers Health Department on additional cleaning requirements. This may include touchpoint cleaning of common surfaces multiple times throughout the day.

RED - The building will be secured and intense cleaning will take place per Health Department directives prior to student return.

Student Hygiene

Students will be directed to wash their hands frequently throughout the day as well as regular use of provided hand sanitizer. Students are required to use hand sanitizer when re-entering the classroom. Students should bring personal water bottles for hydration, water fountains may be shut off. There will be sources available to replenish water bottles.

Lunch

GREEN - students will eat in the Commons using social distancing practices ~~with no open salad bar~~. Tables will be disinfected before and after each group of students eat.

YELLOW - same as **GREEN**.

ORANGE - Some students may be required to eat in their classroom, students will be directed when to go to the lunchroom to pick up food and follow social distancing protocols.

Recess - all recess requires hand washing/sanitizer before and after recess

GREEN - Normal recess

YELLOW - Normal recess

ORANGE - Classrooms will be assigned areas of the playground and should not intermingle.
Daily cleaning of playground equipment.

Field Trips

GREEN - Field trips will be allowed with prior approval.

YELLOW - Same as Green

ORANGE - No offsite field trips permitted

Specials (Music, Art, Media, P.E.)

GREEN - Regular schedule will be followed

YELLOW - Same as Green

ORANGE - Specialists may be required to come to the classroom, PE outside when possible.
Specialists may go to the classroom to provide instruction

Hallways & Lockers

GREEN - Used normally, social distancing encouraged

YELLOW - Restrictions will be implemented based on the need

ORANGE - Restrictions will be implemented based on the need

Facemasks

GREEN - Face masks are recommended for those not vaccinated but not required for anyone.

YELLOW - Face masks are recommended for those not vaccinated but not required for anyone.

ORANGE - Facemasks required for staff and students

Transportation

GREEN - Buses run on approved schedule, masks recommended for those not vaccinated but not required. Buses are sanitized before each route. No seating chart required

YELLOW - Same as Green

ORANGE - Buses run on an approved schedule, parents are encouraged to bring students to school.

Masks required. Seating chart required. Buses are sanitized before each route.

Technology

It is our plan to have technology devices (I-pad or Chromebook) available for each student, K-12.

GREEN & YELLOW - Technology for grades K-6 remains in the building.

ORANGE & RED - Technology goes home K-12.

7-12 Activities

Conducted per NSAA guidelines for all phases. Clubs/youth sports facility restrictions will follow those for NSAA activities.

Student Attendance (Based on local assessment of conditions)

GREEN - All students will attend school in person unless a doctor's note for extended (not longer than 15 days per quarantine guidelines) approved absence in regard to COVID-19. Students with excused absences will receive instruction through a variety of remote learning methodologies, Zoom, packets, emails, etc.

YELLOW - All students will attend school in person unless they have a doctor's note for extended (not longer than 15 days quarantine guidelines) approved absence in regard to COVID-19. Students with excused absences will receive instruction through a variety of remote learning methodologies, Zoom, packets, emails, etc.

ORANGE - All students will attend school in person following a hybrid daily schedule unless they have a doctor's note for extended approved absence in regard to COVID-19. Details of the hybrid schedule will be based on the situation at the time of implementation.

RED - School will be in full remote learning modality. Instruction will be via packets, emails, Zoom, Schoology or other platforms such as Google classroom, etc. No Daycare will be offered.

Student Attendance

If a student is in close contact with a COVID positive person, Pleasanton Public Schools is not currently enforcing any quarantines nor are any required. So if a parent, sibling, etc. have a confirmed case of COVID, a student who is in close contact but not symptomatic does not have to stay home or quarantine at this time. They may attend school without restrictions if no symptoms are present.

If a parent calls and says I'm COVID positive and I'm keeping my child home, or I'm COVID positive and our family doctor is telling our family to quarantine, the student should be marked as parent-excused absent.

In summary, all students are welcome to come to school without any restrictions as long as they are not symptomatic for 24 hours, similarly to illness measures before COVID.

Staff Attendance

Staff will be expected to report to work as normal and conduct classes in as normal a manner as possible per a regular school schedule.

If a staff member is in close contact with a COVID positive person, Pleasanton Public Schools is not currently enforcing any quarantines nor are any required. So if a staff member has close contact with a confirmed case of COVID, but is not symptomatic they do not have to stay home or quarantine at this time. They may attend school without restrictions if no symptoms are present but are encouraged to wear a mask.

Students and Staff Return From Positive Case

Any students or staff who have tested positive are required to stay home until they are symptom-free for 3 consecutive days. They are also strongly encouraged to wear a mask for 7 calendar days upon returning to school.

Contract Tracing

At this time we are not doing any contact tracing or special notification.