

North Miami Community Schools

In-Person Instruction Plan



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Contributors



When needed, information and input will be collected and considered from each of the following sources:




1. North Miami School Board and Staff
2. Health Officials (National, State, and Local levels)
3. Indiana Department of Education
4. Feedback from school community
5. Communication with other School District leaders




Main Objectives

To educate students in a safe environment with no restrictions to in-person learning. We have learned that students need to be in school in order to thrive, and we feel that our plan will allow us to create a safe environment where we can promote the social interactions that are so vital for our students' development.

North Miami Decision Making Model

	No Emergency Pandemic	Low to No Spread	Substantial Spread
Instructional Model 	Traditional Learning - Students attend traditional school every day.	Traditional Learning - Students attend traditional school every day. School buildings are open with additional cleaning, safety, and protective measures in place. Teachers will provide instruction based on a traditional schedule.	Possible short term closures with distance learning implemented.
Entering School Buildings 	Normal Procedures.	<u>MSHS Specific</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Morning Arrival Procedure - Students will be asked to spread out in the lobby, cafeteria, and/or main gym bleachers until the 8:00 bell. <u>Elementary Specific</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Morning Arrival Procedure - Car riders will sit in the old gym. Breakfast will be served in the cafeteria.	Visitor Protocol <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Visitors are limited to the office area during school hours.• Visitors will be screened for Covid symptoms.

<p>Practicing Prevention</p> 	<p>Teach and reinforce good hygiene practices like hand washing, covering coughs, etc.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promote healthy habits, ensure that staff/students self-screen • Teach and reinforce good hygiene practices like hand washing, covering coughs, etc. • Reporting process in place to track symptoms, absence, COVID cases, and communicate with the health department. • Protocols established for students who begin to feel sick at school, including isolation rooms in each building. • Practice social distancing when feasible. • Sanitation stations are strategically placed throughout buildings. • Seating charts will be maintained. • Encourage outdoor classroom setting. • Water fountains available for bottle filling only. Students may bring water bottles from home. 	
<p>Face Covering/ Face Shield Guidance</p> 	<p>No requirement.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Masks are optional but recommended in North Miami School Buildings. 	<p>NM will monitor federal requirements and will make adjustments to our guidelines when requirements change.</p>
<p>Cleaning and Disinfecting</p> 	<p>Maintain and sanitize facilities, including high touch surfaces such as bathrooms, lunchrooms, classrooms, playground, etc.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintain and sanitize facilities, including high touch surfaces such as bathrooms, lunchrooms, classrooms, playground, etc. • Interior doors will remain open as much as possible. • Soap and hand sanitizer are available throughout the building and in each classroom 	

<p>Transporting Students</p> 	<p>Normal bus procedures are followed.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parents conduct health screening prior to placing students on the bus. Do not send children to school if they are sick. • Assigned seats on buses. • Bus is cleaned and disinfected between each route. • Airing out buses when not in use. 	
<p>Serving Meals</p> 	<p>Normal lunch time procedures are followed.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cafeteria is cleaned between each meal service. • Food should not be shared. <p><u>MSHS Specific</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Utilize the lobby and gym to spread students out. • Stagger release times <p><u>Elementary Specific</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Utilize both the cafeteria and the old gym to spread students out. • Have students sit in every other seat at the tables. 	
<p>Athletics/ Extracurricular Activities</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NMCS will follow all IHSAA guidelines • Participation will follow the NMCS attendance policy 		