

# Return to Learn - Chester Joplin Inverness School LE# 1236 Reopening Plan for 2023-24 Rev 01.2024

### GOAL:

The CJI School District is committed to educating the district students in the best and safest possible environment. We believe the best education will happen when teachers and students are together in the classroom, in the traditional setting, and that's how we intend to begin the school year.

The District's goal is to open school on time in the traditional format, but just as importantly, the goal is to keep the school safe, healthy, and open for the entire year. This plan is intended to outline how the school district will provide education to the CJI School District students during the 2023-24 school year, considering the COVID-19 pandemic. We understand this plan may cause some inconveniences and changes to an individual or family routine, but we believe it is in everyone's best interest. Even one confirmed coronavirus case with exposure within the school may result in this plan being revised or school to close for a period of time. Moreover, the CJI District will follow the directives and mandates of the State of Montana.

# **Learning/Teaching Format:**

- Face-to-Face Instruction Staff and students physically in the classroom together. The following protocols will be implemented to provide the highest possible safety for all students and staff.
  - Classrooms Wearing face masks/coverings are encouraged but not required at this time. CJI Schools will communicate, educate, and reinforce appropriate hygiene in ways that are developmentally appropriate for students, teachers, and staff. Teachers will be provided cleaning/disinfecting provisions for routinely cleaning frequently touched classroom supplies and manipulatives.
  - Face Masks/Coverings Students and staff will be encouraged to wear facemasks/coverings during passing times in the hallways, the lunch line, or other indoor common areas outside their classroom.
- Distance Instruction Online or virtual classroom protocol is available if the school must close or students cannot physically attend school.
  - Staff Will report to work and teach from their classrooms while practicing maximum social distancing protocol.
  - Students Will be expected to be in attendance at all classes, virtually,

when regularly scheduled.

 Synchronous or Asynchronous Instruction/Learning - Through regularly scheduled meeting times via email, Google Classroom, Google Meets, ZOOM, SeeSaw, etc. will be expected.

## **Food Service:**

**Kitchen Staff -** will be encouraged to wear face masks/shields and gloves when cooking and serving food.

#### Students -

- Serving Line students will be expected to follow proper hygiene, safe spacing/distancing in the serving lines, and will be encouraged to wear face mask/coverings in the serving line.
- Seating Arrangements students will be expected to practice appropriate hygiene and proper etiquette while eating.

# Maintenance/Custodial:

 Custodial staff will clean and disinfect the facilities regularly, utilizing chemical cleaners designated appropriate for eliminating the COVID virus and according to manufacturers' recommendations. Particular attention will be given to disinfecting high-touch areas, including door handles, handrails, locker latches, lavatory handles, etc. Additionally, disinfectant and microfiber towel spray bottles will be readily available in each classroom.

#### **Resources:**

- Student/Parent Handbook
- CJI District Policy 3417, 5230, 5130
- Center for Disease Control (CDC) update 8/22
- Montana High School Association (MHSA)
- Liberty County Health Board
- Montana Office of Public Instruction (OPI)
  - OPI Reopening Montana Schools Guidance