



## Student Services Return to School Protocols

**Reviewed by School Board on Monday, Nov. 13, 2023.**

Pre-Screening for Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• People with symptoms of infectious disease, including COVID-19, influenza, respiratory syncytial virus (RSV), and gastrointestinal infections should stay home. They should be tested, at their parents' discretion. People who are at risk for getting very sick with COVID-19 who test positive should consult with a healthcare provider right away for possible treatment, even if their symptoms are mild. Staying home when sick can lower the risk of spreading infectious disease, including the virus that cause COVID-19, to other people. (from CDC guidelines)</li> </ul>
Pick-Up/Drop-Off of Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Normal, pre-COVID19, operations shall be in place for student pick-up/drop-off.</li> </ul>
Entering Buildings Exiting Buildings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Normal, pre-COVID-19, operations shall be in place for entering and exiting buildings.</li> </ul>
Masks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Masks shall not be required in order to be present in a school building or at a school activity. Those choosing to wear a mask shall be permitted to do so.</li> </ul>
Hand Washing Hand Sanitizing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Frequent handwashing, especially after bathroom use and before school meals/snacks, shall be encouraged.</li> </ul>
Touch Surface Cleaning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Normal cleaning schedules shall be in place, similar to those observed pre-COVID-19.</li> </ul>
Cafeteria / Meals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Normal, pre-COVID-19, meal service and dining arrangements shall be in place.</li> </ul>
Positive Cases and Response	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Determination of appropriate response to positive cases shall be made by parents, students of majority age, and individual employees, in consultation with their medical care provider.</li> </ul>
Water Fountains	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Water fountains and 'hydration stations' shall be available for student use, similar to pre-COVID-19 practice.</li> </ul>
Passing Periods	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Expectations of students during passing periods shall be those observed pre-COVID-19.</li> </ul>
Social Distancing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Social distancing shall no longer be an expectation. Those wishing to socially distance shall be accommodated to the extent possible.</li> </ul>
Dressing for Physical Education / Physical Health and Wellness Classes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students wishing to dress for PE/PHW classes shall be permitted to do so.</li> </ul>
Visitors to School	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The ability to visit schools shall be restored to pre-COVID-19 expectations, within allowances for security measures (single access points, monitored access, etc.)</li> </ul>
Transportation Safety / Sanitation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Transportation safety and sanitation measures shall return to pre-COVID-19 standards of practice.</li> </ul>
Facility usage by outside organizations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Facility use by outside organizations shall return to pre-COVID-19 conditions, consistent with board policy 1141.</li> </ul>
Extracurricular Activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Operations for extracurricular activities shall be consistent with those pre-COVID-19 and the 2021-22 school year. Should additional guidance/directives come from the South Dakota High School Activities Association, those shall be given due consideration.</li> </ul>

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