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# **OPERATIONAL BLUEPRINT FOR SCHOOL REENTRY 2020-21**

Updated 8/11/2020

Under ODE's *Ready Schools, Safe Learners* guidance, each school¹ has been directed to submit a plan to the district² in order to provide on-site and/or hybrid instruction. Districts must submit each school's plan to the local school board and make the plans available to the public. This form is to be used to document a district's, school's or program's plan to ensure students can return for the 2020-21 school year, in some form, in accordance with Executive Order 20-25(10). Schools must use the *Ready Schools, Safe Learners* guidance document as they complete their Operational Blueprint for Reentry. ODE recommends plan development be inclusive of, but not limited to, school-based administrators, teachers and school staff, health and nursing staff, association leadership, nutrition services, transportation services, tribal consultation,³ parents and others for purposes of providing expertise, developing broad understanding of the health protocols and carrying out plan implementation.

1. Please fill out information:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> For the purposes of this guidance: "school" refers to all public schools, including public charter schools, public virtual charter schools, alternative education programs, private schools and the Oregon School for the Deaf. For ease of readability, "school" will be used inclusively to reference all of these settings.

<sup>2</sup> For the purposes of this guidance: "district" refers to a school district, education service district, public charter school sponsoring district, virtual public charter school sponsoring district, state sponsored public charter school, alternative education programs, private schools, and the Oregon School for the Deaf

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Tribal Consultation is a separate process from stakeholder engagement; consultation recognizes and affirms tribal rights of self-government and tribal sovereignty, and mandates state government to work with American Indian nations on a government-to-government basis.

SCHOOL/DISTRICT/PROGRAM INFORMATION		
Name of School, District or Program	Sherman County School District	
Key Contact Person for this Plan	Wes Owens	
Phone Number of this Person	541-565-3500	
Email Address of this Person	wowens@sherman.k12.or.us	
Sectors and position titles of those who	Wes Owens – Superintendent	
informed the plan	Brittany Waggoner – Principal	
	Janelle Sandoz – North Central Public Health District	
	Kim McKinney – Business Manager	
	Samantha R-Smith – K-6 Representative	
	Gerald Casper – 7-12 Representative/Union President	
	Jennifer Berry – Office Manager	
	Craig Wood – Facility/Custodial Services	
	Jeremy Lanthorn – Mid-Columbia Transportation	
	Gary Lewis – Athletic Director	
	Deanna Christiansen – Classified Union President	
	Amy Huffman – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade	
	Ashley Macnab – Kindergarten	
	Deidra von Borstel – 7-12 Representative	
	John Gronberg – K-12 Music	
	Carrie Somnis – Pre-School Director	
	Kari Peters – Contact Tracer/Quality Control	
	Families and parents through personal phone calls to all	
	households.	
Local public health office(s) or officers(s)	North Central Public Health District	
Name of person Designated to Establish,	Wes Owens	
Implement and Enforce Physical Distancing		
Requirements		
Intended Effective Dates for this Plan	September 2, 2020	
ESD Region	North Central ESD	

2. Please list efforts you have made to engage your community (public health information sharing, taking feedback on planning, etc.) in preparing for school in 2020-21. Include information on engagement with communities often underserved and marginalized and those communities disproportionately impacted by COVID-19.

It is our top priority to communicate with and engage our entire Sherman County School community. We have implemented numerous communication formats:

- Personal phone calls to ALL families/parents in school community
- > Frequent communication letters
- Community surveys
- Virtual listening sessions
- Virtual staff meetings
- Board meetings
- District Website
- Social media platforms
- 3. Indicate which instructional model will be used.

Select One:

4. If you selected Comprehensive Distance Learning, you only have to fill out the green portion of the Operational Blueprint for Reentry (i.e., page 2 in the initial template).

- 5. If you selected On-Site Learning or Hybrid Learning, you have to fill out the blue portion of the Operational Blueprint for Reentry (i.e., pages 3-19 in the initial template) and.

  (<a href="https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/a4dedb5185d94966b1dffc75e4874c8a">https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/a4dedb5185d94966b1dffc75e4874c8a</a>) by August 17, 2020 or prior to the beginning of the 2020-21 school year.
- \* Note: Private schools are required to comply with only sections 1-3 of the Ready Schools, Safe Learners guidance.

Describe why you are selecting Comprehensive Distance Learning as the school's Instructional Model for the effective dates of this plan

# REQUIREMENTS FOR COMPREHENSIVE DISTANCE LEARNING OPERATIONAL BLUEPRINT

This section must be completed by any school that is seeking to provide instruction through Comprehensive Distance Learning. For Private Schools, completing this section is optional (not required). Schools providing On-Site or Hybrid Instructional Models do not need to complete this section.

After the revised Health Metrics were released on August 11, 2020 the Sherman County School District partnered with the North Central Public Health District (NCPHD). The dedicated staff at NCPHD recommended that we initiate the academic year with comprehensive distance learning for all K-12 students with the plan to return to in-person instruction when there is a consistent decrease in COVID-19 cases in the region.
In completing this portion of the Blueprint you are attesting that you have reviewed the Comprehensive Distance Learning Guidance. <u>Here is a link to the overview of CDL Requirements.</u> Please name any requirements you need ODE to review for any possible flexibility or waiver.
Sherman County School District does not anticipate any requirements that will need to be reviewed by ODE.

Describe the school's plan, including the anticipated timeline, for returning to Hybrid Learning or On-Site Learning consistent with the *Ready Schools, Safe Learners* guidance.

Sherman County School District will work collaboratively with the North Central Public Health District to determine when we can return to Hybrid/On-Site Learning. As of this writing, there will be a reevaluation review of our status on September 28, 2020. Safety, stability and a consistent decrease in COVID-19 cases in the region will be the priority when determining the return to Hybrid/On-Site Learning.

Sherman County School District will be implementing sound instructional practices with fidelity in all formats. This will allow us to move seamlessly between CDL, Hybrid, and On-Site instruction when allowed. The following is a list of our priorities:

- Google Classroom as our Learning Management System with incorporation of Acellus and other research-based programs to supplement coursework.
- Effective synchronous and asynchronous learning formats.
- Predictable and flexible routines for daily learning activities.
- Ongoing trainings/support for families.
- Progress monitoring and continuous assessment to gauge student growth.
- Clear/consistent grading practices.
- Clear/consistent attendance and participation practices.
- Frequent personal communication.
- Counseling and mental, physical, emotional health services.
- Continuation of meal delivery.

The remainder of this operational blueprint is not applicable to schools operating a Comprehensive Distance Learning Model.

# **ESSENTIAL REQUIREMENTS FOR HYBRID / ON-SITE OPERATIONAL BLUEPRINT**

This section must be completed by any school that is providing instruction through On-Site or Hybrid Instructional Models.

Schools providing Comprehensive Distance Learning Instructional Models do not need to complete this section unless the school is implementing the Limited In-Person Instruction provision under the Comprehensive Distance Learning guidance.



# **0. Community Health Metrics**

# METRICS FOR ON-SITE OR HYBRID INSTRUCTION The school currently meets the required metrics to successfully reopen for in-person instruction in an On-Site or Hybrid model. If this box cannot yet be checked, the school must return to Comprehensive Distance Learning but may be able to provide some in-person instruction through the exceptions noted below. **EXCEPTIONS FOR SPECIFIC IN-PERSON INSTRUCTION WHERE REQUIRED CONDITIONS ARE MET** ☐ The school currently meets the exceptions required to provide in-person person education for students in grades K-3 (see section 0d(1) of the Ready Schools, Safe Learners guidance). The school currently meets the exceptions required to provide limited in-person instruction for specific groups of students (see section 0d(2) of the *Ready Schools*, *Safe Learners* guidance). The school currently meets the exceptions required for remote or rural schools in larger population counties to provide in-person instruction (see section 0d(3) of the *Ready Schools, Safe Learners* guidance). The school currently meets the exceptions required for smaller population counties to provide in-person instruction (see section 0d(4) of the *Ready Schools, Safe Learners* guidance). The school currently meets the exceptions required for schools in low population density counties (see section 0d(5) of the *Ready Schools*, Safe Learners guidance). The school currently meets the exceptions required for small districts to provide in-person instruction (see section 0d(6) of the *Ready* Schools, Safe Learners guidance).



# 1. Public Health Protocols

### 1a. COMMUNICABLE DISEASE MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR COVID-19 OHA/ODE Requirements **Hybrid/Onsite Plan** Implement measures to limit the spread of COVID-19 within the Sherman County School follows the published Communicable Disease school setting. Guidelines from the Oregon Department of Education and the Oregon Health Authority along with Sherman County School District Board ☐ Update written Communicable Disease Management Plan to Policies GBEB, GBEB-AR, JHCC, and JHCC-AR. specifically address the prevention of the spread of COVID-19. Designate a person at each school to establish, implement and Sherman County School also has developed and will follow our enforce physical distancing requirements, consistent with this Communicable Diseases Management Annex. This 74 page document guidance and other guidance from OHA. is posted on the school district website at ☐ Include names of the LPHA staff, school nurses, and other medical www.shermancountyschooldistrict.weebly.com. experts who provided support and resources to the district/school policies and plans. Review relevant local, state, and national evidence to inform plan. Process and procedures established to train all staff in sections 1 -3 of the *Ready Schools, Safe Learners* guidance. Consider conducting the training virtually, or, if in-person, ensure physical distancing is maintained to the maximum extent possible. ☑ Protocol to notify the local public health authority (LPHA Directory) by County) of any confirmed COVID-19 cases among students or staff. and activity areas. Process to report to the LPHA any cluster of any illness among staff or students. ☑ Protocol to cooperate with the LPHA recommendations.

# Provide all logs and information to the LPHA in a timely manner. ☑ Protocol for screening students and staff for symptoms (see ) section 1f of the Ready Schools, Safe Learners guidance). with others. oximes Protocol for communicating potential COVID-19 cases to the school community and other stakeholders (see section 1e of the Ready Schools, Safe Learners guidance). Create a system for maintaining daily logs for each student/cohort for the purposes of contact tracing. This system needs to be made in consultation with a school/district nurse or an LPHA official. Sample logs are available as a part of the Oregon School Nurses Association COVID-19 Toolkit. If a student(s) is part of a stable cohort (a group of students that are consistently in contact with each other or in multiple cohort groups) that conform to the requirements of cohorting (see section 1d of the *Ready Schools, Safe Learners* guidance), the daily log may be maintained for the cohort. If a student(s) is not part of a stable cohort, then an individual student log must be maintained. Required components of individual daily student/cohort logs include: Child's name Drop off/pick up time Parent/guardian name and emergency contact information All staff (including itinerant staff, district staff, substitutes, and guest teachers) names and phone numbers who interact with a stable cohort or individual student Protocol to record/keep daily logs to be used for contact tracing for a minimum of four weeks to assist the LPHA as needed. □ Process to ensure that all itinerant and all district staff (maintenance, administrative, delivery, nutrition, and any other staff) who move between buildings keep a log or calendar with a running four-week history of their time in each school building and who they were in contact with at each site. □ Process to ensure that the school reports to and consults with the LPHA regarding cleaning and possible classroom or program closure if anyone who has entered school is diagnosed with COVID-Protocol to respond to potential outbreaks (see section 3 of the Ready Schools, Safe Learners guidance).

Hybrid/Onsite Plan

# **1b. HIGH-RISK POPULATIONS**

# OHA/ODE Requirements

**OHA/ODE Requirements** 

Serve students in high-risk population(s) whether learning is happening through On-Site, Hybrid (partially On-Site and partially Comprehensive Distance Learning models), or Comprehensive Distance Learning models.

# Medically Fragile, Complex and Nursing-Dependent Student Requirements

- All districts must account for students who have health conditions that require additional nursing services. Oregon law (ORS 336.201) defines three levels of severity related to required nursing services:
  - Medically Complex: Are students who may have an unstable health condition and who may require daily professional nursing services.
  - 2. Medically Fragile: Are students who may have a lifethreatening health condition and who may require immediate professional nursing services.

# **Hybrid/Onsite Plan**

#### Students:

All Sherman County School students (through parental/guardian confirmation) will be given the opportunity to self-identify as vulnerable or living with a vulnerable family member.

- Parents will be able to select the online or on-site model service option that is most appropriate for their student.
- Students who experience disability will continue to receive specially designed instruction and such services shall be delivered as designed by the IEP team.
- A school team will be available for parent concerns regarding 504 plan needs or supports necessary for medically fragile or vulnerable students and/or family members. Medically vulnerable ELL will continue to receive English Language Development courses through the online or on-site hybrid option.

- Nursing-Dependent: Are students who have an unstable or life-threatening health condition and who require daily, direct, and continuous professional nursing services.
- ☑ Staff and school administrators, in partnership with school nurses, or other school health providers, should work with interdisciplinary teams to address individual student needs. The school registered nurse (RN) is responsible for nursing care provided to individual students as outlined in ODE guidance and state law:
  - Communicate with parents and health care providers to determine return to school status and current needs of the student
  - Coordinate and update other health services the student may be receiving in addition to nursing services. This may include speech language pathology, occupational therapy, physical therapy, as well as behavioral and mental health services.
  - Modify Health Management Plans, Care Plans, IEPs, or 504 or other student-level medical plans, as indicated, to address current health care considerations.
  - The RN practicing in the school setting should be supported to remain up to date on current guidelines and access professional support such as evidence-based resources from the Oregon School Nurses Association.
  - Service provision should consider health and safety as well as legal standards.
  - Appropriate medical-grade personal protective equipment (PPE) should be made available to <u>nurses and other health</u> providers
  - Work with an interdisciplinary team to meet requirements of ADA and FAPE.
  - High-risk individuals may meet criteria for exclusion during a local health crisis.
  - Refer to updated state and national guidance and resources such as:
    - O U.S. Department of Education Supplemental Fact Sheet: Addressing the Risk of COVID-19 in Preschool, Elementary and Secondary Schools While Serving Children with Disabilities from March 21, 2020.
    - ODE guidance updates for Special Education. Example from March 11, 2020.
    - OAR 581-015-2000 Special Education, requires districts to provide 'school health services and school nurse services' as part of the 'related services' in order 'to assist a child with a disability to benefit from special education.'
    - OAR 333-019-0010 Public Health: Investigation and Control of Diseases: General Powers and Responsibilities, outlines authority and responsibilities for school exclusion.

## Hybrid/Onsite Plan

#### Staff:

The plan includes Sherman County School staff self-identifying as vulnerable.

#### Visitors/Volunteers

Visitors/Volunteers will be unable to work at Sherman County School, or complete other volunteer activities that require in person interaction, at this time. Adults at Sherman County School are limited to essential personnel only. We apologize for this inconvenience.

# 1c. PHYSICAL DISTANCING

## OHA/ODE Requirements

- ☑ Establish a minimum of 35 square feet per person when determining room capacity. Calculate only with usable classroom space, understanding that desks and room set-up will require use of all space in the calculation. This also applies for professional development and staff gatherings.
- Support physical distancing in all daily activities and instruction, maintaining six feet between individuals to the maximum extent possible.

#### ... FITTSICAL DISTANCING

# Hybrid/Onsite Plan Overall

- Extra and cloth furniture will be removed to allow for more room in instructional spaces.
- Floor markings will be utilized when needed.
- Assigned seating to maximize physical distancing, and minimize physical interaction.

- Minimize time standing in lines and take steps to ensure that six feet of distance between students is maintained, including marking spacing on floor, one-way traffic flow in constrained spaces, etc.
- Schedule modifications to limit the number of students in the building (e.g., rotating groups by days or location, staggered schedules to avoid hallway crowding and gathering).
- Plan for students who will need additional support in learning how to maintain physical distancing requirements. Provide instruction; don't employ punitive discipline.
- Staff should maintain physical distancing during all staff meetings and conferences, or consider remote web-based meetings.

## Hybrid/Onsite Plan

- Staff will maintain physical distancing during staff meetings and collaboration. When applicable, remote, virtual and outside meetings will be utilized.
- We will have one designated staff member for quality control oversight.
- Classroom assignments have been restructured to support social distancing.

## Cohorts with Square Footage Capacity (As of 8/27/2020)

Kindergarten – 840 sq. ft. (Max 24, Actual 11)

1<sup>st</sup> – 892 sq. ft. (Max 25, Actual 18)

2<sup>nd</sup> - 892 sq. ft. (Max 25, Actual 23)

3<sup>rd</sup> – 900 sq. ft. (Max 25, Actual 21)

4<sup>th</sup> – 900 sq. ft. (Max 25, Actual 21)

5<sup>th</sup> – 735 sq. ft. (Max 21, Actual 19)

6<sup>th</sup> – 715 sq. ft. (Max 20, Actual 16)

7<sup>th</sup> Homeroom 685 sq. ft. (Max 19, Actual 18)

8th Homeroom 1069 sq. ft. (Max 30, Actual 25)

#### 9-10 Cohort

9<sup>th</sup> Homeroom 675 sq. ft. (Max 19, Actual 14)

10<sup>th</sup> Homeroom 740 sq. ft. (Max 21, Actual 12)

#### 11-12 Cohort

11th Homeroom 793 sq. ft. (Max 22, Actual 18)

12th Homeroom 774 sq. ft. (Max 22, Actual 13)

#### **Additional Considerations:**

Entry/Exit. 9-12 will enter building through the Event Center entrance. 7-8 through the jr./sr. high entrance, K-6 through the Elementary/Library entrance. Adults will be stationed outside to support staggered entrance and for visual screening.

Special education services will be planned and provided by Case Manager in designated room with 878 sq. ft. (K-2), 692 sq. ft. (3-5), and 650 sq. ft. (6-12). Students will remain in designated cohort groups throughout the instruction. Cleaning and sanitization will occur between groups.

Speech/Language Pathologist instruction will continue in a designated rooms stated above. Students will maintain proper social distancing within their cohort group and cleaning and sanitization will occur between groups.

Title I support will occur in grade level cohorts in a designated room with 455 sq. ft. (k-6). Cleaning and sanitization will occur between groups.

Physical Education Instruction will occur in the gymnasium, classrooms with cohort groups, and outside with cohort groups. Each group will have equipment designated for individual cohorts or there will time allowed for cleaning and sanitization between groups.

Music Education Instruction will occur in the music room, classrooms with cohort groups, in the gymnasium and outside.

Hallways – Arrows and dots for social distancing and instruction to teach students not to touch walls, doors or other people/surfaces in hallway. Classes will be staggered in hallway when traveling from one location to another.

Bathrooms – Assigned bathrooms for staff and student groups.

OHA/ODE Requirements	Hybrid/Onsite Plan
	Transportation - This will be a stable group of students each day. Stable cohorts may vary from am to pm routes with cleaning and sanitizing between routes. Contact tracing logs will be updated for each run of a specific route.
	Recess, Library, Breakfast, and Lunch will coincide with individual cohorts listed above. On most occasions, breakfast and lunch will be served in the classrooms in stable cohorts.

#### **1d. COHORTING**

# **OHA/ODE Requirements**

- Where feasible, establish stable cohorts: groups should be no larger than can be accommodated by the space available to provide 35 square feet per person, including staff.
  - The smaller the cohort, the less risk of spreading disease. As cohort groups increase in size, the risk of spreading disease increases.
- Students cannot be part of any single cohort, or part of multiple cohorts that exceed a total of 100 people within the educational week. Schools should plan to limit cohort sizes to allow for efficient contact-tracing and minimal risk for exposure.
- Each school must have a system for daily logs to ensure contract tracing among the cohort (see section 1a of the *Ready Schools*, *Safe Learners* guidance).
- Minimize interaction between students in different stable cohorts (e.g., access to restrooms, activities, common areas). Provide access to All Gender/Gender Neutral restrooms.
- Cleaning and disinfecting surfaces (e.g., desks, door handles, etc.) must be maintained between multiple student uses, even in the same cohort.
- Design cohorts such that all students (including those protected under ADA and IDEA) maintain access to general education, gradelevel academic content standards, and peers.
- Staff who interact with multiple stable cohorts must wash/sanitize their hands between interactions with different stable cohorts.

# Hybrid/Onsite Plan

Please see information regarding cohorts in section 1c. Grades K-6 will be in their individual cohorts for instruction in the hybrid/on-site model. Hybrid will be half the total number of students. On-site will be entire school enrollment. For grades 7-12, an A/B schedule will be implemented in the hybrid/on-site model. (A) day will be periods Homeroom, 1, 3, and 5. (B) day will be periods 2, 4, 6, 7. This will limit movement during the day (Four 95 minute blocks---2019-20 schedule was 7 periods per day). In addition, secondary teachers may rotate to homeroom classrooms with no student movement. Teachers will maintain a daily log for the benefit of contact tracing.

A contact tracer/quality control person has been hired to monitor all contact tracing and stable cohorting. All contact tracing/attendance information will be logged in Synergy.

In all circumstances, students will be allowed grace when making mistakes regarding distancing requirements. Staff will also support train, and redirect students when appropriate.

#### 1e. PUBLIC HEALTH COMMUNICATION

# OHA/ODE Requirements

- □ Communicate to staff at the start of On-Site instruction and at periodic intervals explaining infection control measures that are being implemented to prevent spread of disease.
- Develop protocols for communicating with students, families and staff who have come into close contact with a confirmed case.
  - The definition of exposure is being within 6 feet of a COVID-19 case for 15 minutes (or longer).
- Develop protocols for communicating immediately with staff, families, and the community when a new case(s) of COVID-19 is diagnosed in students or staff members, including a description of how the school or district is responding.
- Provide all information in languages and formats accessible to the school community.

# Hybrid/Onsite Plan

Frequent communication will be shared with all families and staff through print, electronically and social media. This will include infection control measures being implemented to prevent the spread of diseases (this is also included in the Communicable Diseases Management Annex document).

Sherman County School District will develop protocols for communicating with anyone who has come into close/sustained contact with a confirmed case of COVID-19 or when a new case has been confirmed and how the administration at Sherman County School is responding.

# 1f. ENTRY AND SCREENING

- ☑ Direct students and staff to stay home if they, or anyone in their homes or community living spaces, have COVID-19 symptoms, or if anyone in their home or community living spaces has COVID-19. COVID-19 symptoms are as follows:
  - Primary symptoms of concern: cough, fever (temperature greater than 100.4°F) or chills, shortness of breath, or difficulty breathing.
  - Note that muscle pain, headache, sore throat, new loss of taste or smell, diarrhea, nausea, vomiting, nasal congestion, and runny nose are also symptoms often associated with COVID-19. More information about COVID-19 symptoms is available from CDC.
  - In addition to COVID-19 symptoms, students should be excluded from school for signs of other infectious diseases, per existing school policy and protocols. See pages 9-12 of OHA/ODE Communicable Disease Guidance.
  - Emergency signs that require immediate medical attention:
    - Trouble breathing
    - o Persistent pain or pressure in the chest
    - o New confusion or inability to awaken
    - Bluish lips or face (lighter skin); greyish lips or face (darker skin)
    - Other severe symptoms
- Screen all students and staff for symptoms on entry to bus/school every day. This can be done visually and/or with confirmation from a parent/caregiver/guardian. Staff members can self-screen and attest to their own health.
  - Anyone displaying or reporting the primary symptoms of concern must be isolated (see section 1i of the *Ready Schools*, *Safe Learners* guidance) and sent home as soon as possible.
     See table "Planning for COVID-19 Scenarios in Schools."
  - Additional guidance for nurses and health staff.
- Follow LPHA advice on restricting from school any student or staff known to have been exposed (e.g., by a household member) to COVID-19. See table "Planning for COVID-19 Scenarios in Schools."
- Staff or students with a chronic or baseline cough that has worsened or is not well-controlled with medication should be excluded from school. Do not exclude staff or students who have other symptoms that are chronic or baseline symptoms (e.g., asthma, allergies, etc.) from school.
- Hand hygiene on entry to school every day: wash with soap and water for 20 seconds or use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer with 60-95% alcohol.

# Hybrid/Onsite Plan Arrival and Entry

See 1c above under additional considerations. Each student will be assigned an entry point.

#### **Screening Students Upon Entry**

- Mid-Columbia Transportation Company will implement specific screening protocols that all bus drivers will follow as they screen riders on the way to school (loading, unloading, facial coverings, sanitization, etc.).
- Staff will be assigned to each entry door to visually screen each student prior to entry into the building for the appearance of symptoms. Students will be directed to hand sanitize stations.
- Classroom teachers will conduct an additional visual screen.
- When the screening indicates that a student may be symptomatic, K-6 will be directed to elementary isolation room, 7-12 will be directed to jr./sr. high school isolation room.

## **Screening Staff**

- Staff are required to report to Wes Owens (Superintendent)
   Brittany Waggoner (K-12 Principal), or Jen Berry (Office Manager) when they may have been exposed to COVID-19.
- Staff are required to report to one of the names listed above when they have primary symptoms related to COVID-19.
- Staff members are not responsible for screening other staff members for symptoms.

## 1g. VISITORS/VOLUNTEERS

# OHA/ODE Requirements

- □ Restrict non-essential visitors/volunteers.
  - Examples of essential visitors include: DHS Child Protective Services, Law Enforcement, etc.
  - Examples of non-essential visitors/volunteers include: Parent Teacher Association (PTA), classroom volunteers, etc.
- Screen all visitors/volunteers for symptoms upon every entry. Restrict from school property any visitor known to have been exposed to COVID-19. See table "Planning for COVID-19 Scenarios in Schools."
- Visitors/volunteers must wash or sanitize their hands upon entry and exit.
- Visitors/volunteers must maintain six-foot distancing, wear face coverings, and adhere to all other provisions of this guidance.

# Hybrid/Onsite Plan

Non-essential visitors will not be allowed to enter the building.

Essential visitors (contractors) must sanitize their hands upon entry and wear face coverings at all times while in the building.

- □ Face coverings or face shields for all staff, contractors, other service providers, or visitors or volunteers following <u>CDC guidelines</u> <u>for Face Coverings</u>. Individuals may remove their face coverings while working alone in private offices.
- Face coverings or face shields for all students in grades Kindergarten and up following CDC guidelines for Face Coverings.
- ☑ If a student removes a face covering, or demonstrates a need to remove the face covering for a short-period of time:
  - Provide space away from peers while the face covering is removed. In the classroom setting, an example could be a designated chair where a student can sit and take a 15 minute "sensory break;"
    - Students should not be left alone or unsupervised;
    - Designated area or chair should be appropriately distanced from other students and of a material that is easily wiped down for disinfection after each use;
  - Provide additional instructional supports to effectively wear a face covering;
  - Provide students adequate support to re-engage in safely wearing a face covering;
  - Students cannot be discriminated against or disciplined for an inability to safely wear a face covering during the school day.
- □ Face masks for school RNs or other medical personnel when providing direct contact care and monitoring of staff/students displaying symptoms. School nurses should also wear appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) for their role.
  - Additional guidance for nurses and health staff.

## Protections under the ADA or IDEA

- If any student requires an accommodation to meet the requirement for face coverings, districts and schools should limit the student's proximity to students and staff to the extent possible to minimize the possibility of exposure. Appropriate accommodations could include:
  - Offering different types of face coverings and face shields that may meet the needs of the student.
  - Spaces away from peers while the face covering is removed; students should not be left alone or unsupervised.
  - Short periods of the educational day that do not include wearing the face covering, while following the other health strategies to reduce the spread of disease;
  - Additional instructional supports to effectively wear a face covering;
- For students with existing medical conditions and a physician's orders to not wear face coverings, or other health related concerns, schools/districts must not deny any in-person instruction.
- Schools and districts must comply with the established IEP/504 plan prior to the closure of in-person instruction in March of 2020.
  - If a student eligible for, or receiving services under a 504/IEP, cannot wear a face covering due to the nature of the disability, the school or district must:
    - Review the 504/IEP to ensure access to instruction in a manner comparable to what was originally established in the student's plan including on-site instruction with accommodations or adjustments.
    - 2. Placement determinations cannot be made due solely to the inability to wear a face covering.
    - Plans should include updates to accommodations and modifications to support students.
  - Students protected under ADA/IDEA, who abstain from wearing a face covering, or students whose families

#### **Hybrid/Onsite Plan**

Plexiglass or face shield is required and will be provided for:

- Front Office Staff
- Health room and isolation room staff
- Speech Language Pathologist (face shield will be provided by NCESD)

Facial coverings or face shields are required and will be provided (if needed) for:

- Food service program staff
- Student services staff
- Any staff within 6 feet of students or staff
- All staff

Students K-12 are required to wear a face covering. Face coverings will be available for any student who needs one.

OHA	DHA/ODE Requirements		Hybrid/Onsite Plan
		ermine the student will not wear a face covering, the	
		pol or district must:	
	1.	Review the 504/IEP to ensure access to instruction in a	
		manner comparable to what was originally established in	
		the student's plan.	
	2.	The team must determine that the disability is not	
		prohibiting the student from meeting the requirement.	
		If the team determines that the disability is	
		prohibiting the student from meeting the	
		requirement, follow the requirements for students eligible for, or receiving services under, a 504/IEP	
		who cannot wear a face covering due to the nature	
		of the disability,	
		If a student's 504/IEP plan included	
		supports/goals/instruction for behavior or social	
		emotional learning, the school team must evaluate	
		the student's plan prior to providing instruction	
		through Comprehensive Distance Learning.	
	3.	Hold a 504/IEP meeting to determine equitable access to	
		educational opportunities which may include limited in-	
		person instruction, on-site instruction with	
_	_	accommodations, or Comprehensive Distance Learning.	
$\boxtimes$	For students not currently served under an IEP or 504, districts		
		nsider whether or not student inability to consistently	
		ace covering or face shield as required is due to a	
		or. Ongoing inability to meet this requirement may be to fthe need for an evaluation to determine eligibility for	
		under IDEA or Section 504.	
<ul> <li>If a staff member requires an accommodation for the face covering</li> </ul>			
لات		hield requirements, districts and schools should work to	
		staff member's proximity to students and staff to the	
		ossible to minimize the possibility of exposure.	

# 1i. ISOLATION AND QUARANTINE

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- Protocols for exclusion and isolation for sick students and staff whether identified at the time of bus pick-up, arrival to school, or at any time during the school day.
- Protocols for screening students, as well as exclusion and isolation protocols for sick students and staff identified at the time of arrival or during the school day.
  - Work with school nurses, health care providers, or other staff
    with expertise to determine necessary modifications to areas
    where staff/students will be isolated. If two students present
    COVID-19 symptoms at the same time, they must be isolated
    at once. If separate rooms are not available, ensure that six
    feet distance is maintained. Do not assume they have the
    same illness.
  - Consider required physical arrangements to reduce risk of disease transmission.
  - Plan for the needs of generally well students who need medication or routine treatment, as well as students who may show signs of illness.
  - Additional guidance for nurses and health staff.
- Students and staff who report or develop symptoms must be isolated in a designated isolation area in the school, with adequate space and staff supervision and symptom monitoring by a school nurse, other school-based health care provider or school staff until they are able to go home. Anyone providing supervision and symptom monitoring must wear appropriate face covering or face shields.

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- Wes Owens/Brittany Waggoner will connect weekly with NCPHD nurse and Contact Tracer on updates for plan and isolation measures taken to that point.
- All students who become ill at Sherman County School will remain at school supervised by staff until parents can pick them up in the designated isolation room (Secondary isolation areas may be identified if/as needed).
  - Students will be provided a facial covering (if they can safely wear one).
  - Staff will wear a facial covering and maintain physical distancing, but never leave a child unattended.
- While exercising caution to maintain safety is appropriate when working with children exhibiting symptoms, it is also critical that staff maintain sufficient composure and disposition so as not to unduly worry a student or family.
- Staff will maintain student confidentiality as appropriate.
- Daily logs will be maintained containing the following:
  - Name of students sent home for illness, cause of illness, time of onset; and
  - Name of students visiting the office for illness symptoms, even if not sent home.
- Staff and students with known or suspected COVID-19, or displaying COVID-19 symptoms per current OHA guidance, CDC guidance, or LPHA guidance, cannot remain at school and should return only after their symptoms resolve and

- School nurse and health staff in close contact with symptomatic individuals (less than 6 feet) should wear a medical-grade face mask. Other Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) may be needed depending on symptoms and care provided. Consult a nurse or health care professional regarding appropriate use of PPE. Any PPE used during care of a symptomatic individual should be properly removed and disposed of prior to exiting the care space.
- After removing PPE, hands should be immediately cleaned with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not available, hands can be cleaned with an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains 60-95% alcohol.
- If able to do so safely, a symptomatic individual should wear a face covering.
- To reduce fear, anxiety, or shame related to isolation, provide a clear explanation of procedures, including use of PPE and handwashing.
- Establish procedures for safely transporting anyone who is sick to their home or to a health care facility.
- Staff and students who are ill must stay home from school and must be sent home if they become ill at school, particularly if they have COVID-19 symptoms. Refer to table in "Planning for COVID-19 Scenarios in Schools."
- ☑ Involve school nurses, School Based Health Centers, or staff with related experience (Occupational or Physical Therapists) in development of protocols and assessment of symptoms (where staffing exists).
- Record and monitor the students and staff being isolated or sent home for the LPHA review.

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they are physically ready to return to school. Symptomatic students and staff sent home may return to school according to the latest public health guidance.



# 2. Facilities and School Operations

Some activities and areas will have a higher risk for spread (e.g., band, choir, science labs, locker rooms). When engaging in these activities within the school setting, schools will need to consider additional physical distancing or conduct the activities outside (where feasible). Additionally, schools should consider sharing explicit risk statements for instructional and extra-curricular activities requiring additional considerations (see section 5f of the *Ready Schools, Safe Learners* guidance).

# 2a. ENROLLMENT

(Note: Section 2a does not apply to private schools.)

## **OHA/ODE Requirements**

- ☑ Enroll all students (including foreign exchange students) following the standard Oregon Department of Education guidelines.
- ∑ The temporary suspension of the 10-day drop rule does not change the rules for the initial enrollment date for students:
  - The ADM enrollment date for a student is the first day of the student's actual attendance.
  - A student with fewer than 10 days of absence at the beginning of the school year may be counted in membership prior to the first day of attendance, but not prior to the first calendar day of the school year.
  - If a student does not attend during the first 10 session days of school, the student's ADM enrollment date must reflect the student's actual first day of attendance.

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All students will be enrolled following the Oregon Department of Education guidelines.

No student will be dropped for non-attendance if they meet the following conditions:

- Are identified as vulnerable, or otherwise considered to be part of a population vulnerable to infection withCOVID-19
- Have COVID-19 symptoms for the past 14 days

**Family Choice**: Students and families will be given the option to enroll in full online distance learning or on-site hybrid/onsite learning.

$OH_{I}$	A/ODE Requirements	Hybrid/Onsite Plan
	<ul> <li>Students who were anticipated to be enrolled, but who do not attend at any time must not be enrolled and submitted in ADM.</li> </ul>	
$\boxtimes$	If a student has stopped attending for 10 or more days, districts must continue to try to engage the student. At a minimum,	
	districts must attempt to contact these students and their families weekly to either encourage attendance or receive confirmation	
	that the student has transferred or has withdrawn from school.  This includes students who were scheduled to start the school year, but who have not yet attended.	
	When enrolling a student from another school, schools must request documentation from the prior school within 10 days of enrollment per OAR 581-021-0255 to make all parties aware of the transfer. Documentation obtained directly from the family does	
	not relieve the school of this responsibility. After receiving documentation from another school that a student has enrolled, drop that student from your roll.	
	Design attendance policies to account for students who do not attend in-person due to student or family health and safety concerns.	
$\boxtimes$	When a student has a pre-excused absence or COVID-19 absence, the school district should reach out to offer support at least weekly until the student has resumed their education.	
	When a student is absent beyond 10 days and meets the criteria for continued enrollment due to the temporary suspension of the 10 day drop rule, continue to count them as absent for those days	
	and include those days in your Cumulative ADM reporting.	

# **2b. ATTENDANCE**

(Note: Section 2b does not apply to private schools.)

OHA	ODE Requirements
	ODL Requirements

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- Grades 6-12 (individual subject): Attendance must be taken at least once for each scheduled class that day for all students enrolled in school, regardless of the instructional model (On-Site, Hybrid, Comprehensive Distance Learning, online schools).
- Alternative Programs: Some students are reported in ADM as enrolled in a non-standard program (such as tutorial time), with hours of instruction rather than days present and days absent. Attendance must be taken at least once for each scheduled interaction with each student, so that local systems can track the student's attendance and engagement. Reported hours of instruction continue to be those hours in which the student was present.
- Online schools that previously followed a two check-in per week attendance process must follow the Comprehensive Distance Learning requirements for checking and reporting attendance.
- Provide families with clear and concise descriptions of student attendance and participation expectations as well as family involvement expectations that take into consideration the home environment, caregiver's work schedule, and mental/physical health.

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Attendance will be taken once a day for K-6 and in each scheduled class period for 7-12. Attendance will be counted as present through one of the following:

- Live Google Classroom Sessions
- Assignment submission
- Email communication
- Phone communication

The administration, office managers, and contact tracer will review individual and school-wide attendance data weekly.

# **2c. TECHNOLOGY**

**Hybrid/Onsite Plan** 

# OHA/ODE Requirements

# Update procedures for district-owned or school-owned devices to match cleaning requirements (see section 2d of the *Ready Schools*, *Safe Learners* guidance).

# All students will be assigned a district-owned device (Chromebook) for use in the school building and at home for CDL.

OHA/ODE Requirements	Hybrid/Onsite Plan
☑ Procedures for return, inventory, updating, and redistributing	Physical distancing requirements will be followed in regards to the
district-owned devices must meet physical distancing	procedures for distribution, return, inventory, updating of district
requirements.	owned devices.

### 2d. SCHOOL SPECIFIC FUNCTIONS/FACILITY FEATURES

## OHA/ODE Requirements

- Handwashing: All people on campus should be advised and encouraged to wash their hands frequently.
- Equipment: Develop and use sanitizing protocols for all equipment used by more than one individual or purchase equipment for individual use.
- Events: Cancel, modify, or postpone field trips, assemblies, athletic events, practices, special performances, school-wide parent meetings and other large gatherings to meet requirements for physical distancing.
- Transitions/Hallways: Limit transitions to the extent possible. Create hallway procedures to promote physical distancing and minimize gatherings.
- Personal Property: Establish policies for personal property being brought to school (e.g., refillable water bottles, school supplies, headphones/earbuds, cell phones, books, instruments, etc.). If personal items are brought to school, they must be labeled prior to entering school and use should be limited to the item owner.

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#### Handwashing:

All students will have access to hand washing prior to meals. Frequent opportunities for hand washing will be provided throughout the school day. Hand washing will be supplemented with the use of hand sanitizer.

#### **Equipment:**

Sharing of supplies will be restricted when possible. All shared equipment will be cleaned between users.

#### **Events:**

Off-site field trips and events requiring visitors or volunteers have been canceled. In-school events will be modified to follow cohort and social distancing guidance. Use of the building by outside groups will not be allowed.

Use of facilities for District sponsored athletics and activities shall be coordinated through Gary Lewis, Athletic Director and approved by Wes Owens, Superintendent.

#### **Transitions/Hallways:**

Hallways will include one-way traffic markings to reduce contact. Transitions by grade-level cohort groups will be staggered to reduce contact. Student cohorts will remain in the classroom with adult transitions when possible. Cohort classrooms will be assigned by building area/level to allow access to a single bathroom, drinking fountain and hand washing station throughout the school day.

# **Personal Property:**

Students will not use lockers to store personal property. All personal property brought to school will be carried by the student throughout the school day in their backpack/bag (focus on limited number of personal items). Personal property must be labeled with a student name and will only be used by the student.

# Restrooms:

Restrooms will be assigned to each cohort. Visual reminders will be used in all restrooms to encourage hygienic practices including: handwashing techniques, covering coughs/sneezes, social distancing, facial coverings and COVID-19 symptoms

# **2e. ARRIVAL AND DISMISSAL**

## OHA/ODE Requirements

- Physical distancing, stable cohorts, square footage, and cleaning requirements must be maintained during arrival and dismissal procedures.
- Create schedule(s) and communicate staggered arrival and/or dismissal times.
- Assign students or cohorts to an entrance; assign staff member(s) to conduct visual screenings (see section 1f of the *Ready Schools, Safe Learners* guidance).

## **Hybrid/Onsite Plan**

Students will be visually screened by designated staff prior to entry to the building. When the screening indicates that a student may be symptomatic, the student will be directed to office and isolation rooms. The Communicable Diseases Management Annex will be followed.

Each grade level (and staff) will be assigned an entry location.

- Ensure accurate sign-in/sign-out protocols to help facilitate contact tracing by the LPHA. Sign-in procedures are not a replacement for entrance and screening requirements. Students entering school after arrival times must be screened for the primary symptoms of concern.
  - Eliminate shared pen and paper sign-in/sign-out sheets.
  - Ensure hand sanitizer is available if signing children in or out on an electronic device.
- Ensure alcohol-based hand sanitizer (with 60-95% alcohol) dispensers are easily accessible near all entry doors and other high-traffic areas. Establish and clearly communicate procedures for keeping caregiver drop-off/pick-up as brief as possible.

## Hybrid/Onsite Plan

Students entering or leaving the building at times other than arrival/dismissal time will use the main entrances.

All sign-in/sign-out tracking will be handled by office staff or the contact tracer.

#### Dismissal

- Students will remain in their assigned cohort or last period classroom at the end of day until released by intercom/administrator.
- Cohorts will be individually released by an announcement over the intercom one cohort at a time.
- Upon release all students in the cohort will go directly to their bus or departure point from campus.
- Sherman County School will communicate with families/students the need to keep drop-off/pick-up interactions as brief as possible.

# 2f. CLASSROOMS/REPURPOSED LEARNING SPACES

## OHA/ODE Requirements

- Seating: Rearrange student desks and other seat spaces so that staff and students' physical bodies are six feet apart to the maximum extent possible while also maintaining 35 square feet per person; assign seating so students are in the same seat at all times.
- Materials: Avoid sharing of community supplies when possible (e.g., scissors, pencils, etc.). Clean these items frequently. Provide hand sanitizer and tissues for use by students and staff.
- Handwashing: Remind students (with signage and regular verbal reminders from staff) of the utmost importance of hand hygiene and respiratory etiquette. Respiratory etiquette means covering coughs and sneezes with an elbow or a tissue. Tissues should be disposed of in a garbage can, then hands washed or sanitized immediately.
  - Wash hands with soap and water for 20 seconds or use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer with 60-95% alcohol.

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## Seating:

All tables have been removed. We have purchased enough student desks for each student and we will implement assigned seating so students are in the same seat at all times. If students do move, they will be sanitized prior to another student sitting in a particular seat.

#### Materials:

Each classroom will limit sharing of community supplies when possible (e.g., scissors, pencils, etc.). If needed to share, these items will be cleaned frequently.

Hand sanitizer and tissues will be available for use by students and staff at all times.

# Hand Washing:

Students will wash hands before each meal and frequently throughout the day.

# **Respiratory Etiquette:**

School staff will consistently teach and reinforce the need for ongoing respiratory etiquette.

## **Furniture:**

All upholstered furniture and soft seating has been removed from the school building.

# **Classroom Procedures:**

All K-4 classrooms will use cubby or storage spaces for individual student belongings. 5-12 students will carry personal belongings.

Assigned bathrooms will be used for grade levels. As recommended (when possible), doors will be left open, windows will be open for ventilation. Students will be educated on the importance of washing hands after bathroom use. In addition, handwashing sanitization stations will be placed outside the restrooms.

All shared spaces (e.g., gymnasium, music room, and library) will be cleaned between cohort uses.

Each class and hallway will have visual aids (to illustrate traffic flow, appropriate spacing, assigned seating areas).

OHA/ODE Requirements	Hybrid/Onsite Plan
	Environment: When possible, windows will be open in the classroom before students arrive and after students leave. Each classroom will hold classes outside when possible and encourage students to spread out.

# 2g. PLAYGROUNDS, FIELDS, RECESS, BREAKS, AND RESTROOMS

#### OHA/ODE Requirements

- Keep school playgrounds closed to the general public until park playground equipment and benches reopen in the community (see Oregon Health Authority's <u>Specific Guidance for Outdoor</u> <u>Recreation Organizations</u>).
- After using the restroom students must wash hands with soap and water for 20 seconds. Soap must be made available to students and staff.
- Before and after using playground equipment, students must wash hands with soap and water for 20 seconds <u>or</u> use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer with 60-95% alcohol.
- Designate playground and shared equipment solely for the use of one cohort at a time. Disinfect at least daily or between uses as much as possible in accordance with CDC guidance.
- □ Cleaning requirements must be maintained (see section 2j of the Ready Schools, Safe Learners guidance).
- Maintain physical distancing requirements, stable cohorts, and square footage requirements.
- ☑ Provide signage and restrict access to outdoor equipment (including sports equipment, etc.).
- Design recess activities that allow for physical distancing and maintenance of stable cohorts.
- Clean all outdoor equipment at least daily or between uses as much as possible in accordance with <u>CDC guidance</u>.
- Limit staff rooms, common staff lunch areas, elevators and workspaces to single person usage at a time, maintaining six feet of distance between adults.

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- Elementary class cohorts may use the playground for recess on a staggered scheduled throughout the school day. This will be monitored by instructional assistants, teachers, and custodial staff.
- All playground structures will be disinfected daily and in between each cohort group.
  - Playground supplies: Each cohort group will use their own playground supplies (e.g., balls, jump ropes, etc.).
- Students must wash hands before and after using playground equipment.
- Sherman County School is fortunate to have excellent space for recess time. Recess activities will be planned to support physical distancing and maintain stable cohorts. This can include limiting the number of students on one piece of equipment, at one game, etc.
- Given the lessened capacity for equipment use due to cohorting and physical distancing requirements, teachers will set expectations for shared use of equipment by students and may need to support students with schedules for when specific equipment can be used.
- As of this writing, staff rooms have been closed. We have one instructional assistant assigned to the staff room to make copies and laminate for teachers. When the staff room is used, all staff will adhere to distance requirements.

# **2h. MEAL SERVICE/NUTRITION**

# **OHA/ODE Requirements**

- ☐ Include meal services/nutrition staff in planning for school reentry.
- ☑ Prohibit self-service buffet-style meals.
- ☑ Prohibit sharing of food and drinks among students and/or staff.
- At designated meal or snack times, students may remove their face coverings to eat or drink but must maintain six feet of physical distance from others, and must put face coverings back on after finishing the meal or snack.
- Staff serving meals and students interacting with staff at mealtimes must wear face shields or face covering (see section 1h of the Ready Schools, Safe Learners guidance).
- Students must wash hands with soap and water for 20 seconds or use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer with 60-95% alcohol before meals and should be encouraged to do so after.
- Appropriate daily cleaning of meal items (e.g., plates, utensils, transport items).

# Hybrid/Onsite Plan

We will implement an A/B Breakfast/Lunch system. Certain elementary grade levels or upper grade levels will have the opportunity for a hot breakfast/lunch on selected A days. On the B days, students will have sack lunch delivered to their classroom.

On B Cold Lunch/Breakfast Days, Breakfast/Lunch will be served in classrooms for K-6.

On B Cold Lunch/Breakfast will be served in individual cohort classrooms at the 7-12 grade levels.

After lunch for K-6 students will have assigned areas per cohort for recess/break time.

- Cleaning and sanitizing of meal touch-points and meal counting system between stable cohorts.
- Adequate cleaning and disinfection of tables between meal periods.
- Since staff must remove their face coverings during eating and drinking, staff should eat snacks and meals independently, and not in staff rooms when other people are present. Consider staggering times for staff breaks, to prevent congregation in shared spaces.

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After lunch at the 7-12 grade level, students will have assigned areas per cohort for break time.

All students and staff must wash hands prior to meals and following meal consumption

When meals are delivered to classrooms, disposable items will be used.

Each desk/table will be cleaned prior to meal consumption.

## 2i. TRANSPORTATION

## OHA/ODE Requirements

- Include transportation departments (and associated contracted providers, if used) in planning for return to service.
- Buses are cleaned frequently. Conduct targeted cleanings between routes, with a focus on disinfecting frequently touched surfaces of the bus (see section 2j of the *Ready Schools, Safe Learners* guidance).
- Develop protocol for loading/unloading that includes visual screening for students exhibiting symptoms and logs for contacttracing. This should be done at the time of arrival and departure.
  - If a student displays COVID-19 symptoms, provide a face shield or face covering (unless they are already wearing one) and keep six feet away from others. Continue transporting the student.
    - The symptomatic student should be seated in the first row of the bus during transportation, and multiple windows should be opened to allow for fresh air circulation, if feasible.
    - The symptomatic student should leave the bus first.
       After all students exit the bus, the seat and surrounding surfaces should be cleaned and disinfected.
  - If arriving at school, notify staff to begin isolation measures.
    - If transporting for dismissal and the student displays an onset of symptoms, notify the school.
- Consult with parents/guardians of students who may require additional support (e.g., students who experience a disability and require specialized transportation as a related service) to appropriately provide service.
- Drivers wear face shields or face coverings when not actively driving and operating the bus.
- Inform parents/guardians of practical changes to transportation service (i.e., physical distancing at bus stops and while loading/unloading, potential for increased route time due to additional precautions, sanitizing practices, and face coverings).
- ∑ Face coverings or face shields for all students in grades
   Kindergarten and up following CDC guidelines applying the
   guidance in section 1h of the Ready Schools, Safe Learners
   guidance to transportation settings.

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- Mid-Columbia Bus drivers will be required to use facial shields.
  - Facial shields will be provided for drivers by Mid-Columbia Transportation.
  - Shield must be in use when stopped but can be lifted while driving.
  - When not using face shield, the driver will be asked to wear an alternative face covering.
- Each bus driver/staff will be required to:
  - Visually screen students for illness
  - o follow entry and screening procedures
  - Maintain logs for contact-tracing using procedures from 1a above.
- Each bus will have:
  - the recommended three (3) feet of physical distance between passengers;
  - reinforce this requirement by blocking off seats as appropriate.
- Busses will be cleaned and sanitized between cohort routes.
- Sherman County School will communicate with parents/guardians of students who may require additional support (e.g., students who experience a disability and require specialized transportation as a related service) to appropriately provide service.

# 2j. CLEANING, DISINFECTION, AND VENTILATION

#### **OHA/ODE Requirements**

Clean, sanitize, and disinfect frequently touched surfaces (e.g. door handles, sink handles, drinking fountains, transport vehicles) and shared objects (e.g., toys, games, art supplies) between uses multiple times per day. Maintain clean and disinfected (CDC guidance) environments, including classrooms, cafeteria settings and restrooms.

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Sherman County School is fortunate to have an amazing custodial/maintenance staff. They pride themselves on maintaining a clean and sanitized facility at all times.

All frequently touched surfaces (e.g., playground equipment, door handles, sink handles, drinking fountains, Mid-Columbia

- Clean and disinfect playground equipment at least daily or between uses as much as possible in accordance with <u>CDC</u> guidance.
- Apply disinfectants safely and correctly following labeling direction as specified by the manufacturer. Keep these products away from students.
- ☑ To reduce the risk of asthma, choose disinfectant products on the EPA List N with asthma-safer ingredients (e.g. hydrogen peroxide, citric acid, or lactic acid) and avoid products that mix these with asthma-causing ingredients like peroxyacetic acid, sodium hypochlorite (bleach), or quaternary ammonium compounds.
- Schools with HVAC systems should evaluate the system to minimize indoor air recirculation (thus maximizing fresh outdoor air) to the extent possible. Schools that do not have mechanical ventilation systems should, to the extent possible, increase natural ventilation by opening windows and doors before students arrive and after students leave, and while students are present.
- Consider running ventilation systems continuously and changing the filters more frequently. Do <u>not</u> use fans if they pose a safety or health risk, such as increasing exposure to pollen/allergies or exacerbating asthma symptoms. Consider using window fans or box fans positioned in open windows to blow fresh outdoor air into the classroom via one window, and indoor air out of the classroom via another window. Fans should not be used in rooms with closed windows and doors, as this does not allow for fresh air to circulate.
- Consider the need for increased ventilation in areas where students with special health care needs receive medication or treatments.
- Facilities should be cleaned and disinfected at least daily to prevent transmission of the virus from surfaces (see <u>CDC's</u> <u>guidance on disinfecting public spaces</u>).
- Consider modification or enhancement of building ventilation where feasible (see <u>CDC's guidance on ventilation and filtration</u> and <u>American Society of Heating, Refrigerating, and Air-</u> <u>Conditioning Engineers' guidance</u>).

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transportation buses) and shared objects will be cleaned between uses by different cohorts, but not less than once daily. This will be done by our custodial staff, teaching staff, and instructional assistant staff.

We will follow all CDC guidelines for cleaning.

Ventilation systems are routinely checked by maintenance staff. New filters were installed on August 26, 2020.

# **2k. HEALTH SERVICES**

# **OHA/ODE Requirements**

- ☑ OAR 581-022-2220 Health Services, requires districts to "maintain a prevention-oriented health services program for all students" including space to isolate sick students and services for students with special health care needs. While OAR 581-022-2220 does not apply to private schools, private schools must provide a space to isolate sick students and provide services for students with special health care needs.
- □ Licensed, experienced health staff should be included on teams to determine district health service priorities. Collaborate with health professionals such as school nurses; SBHC staff; mental and behavioral health providers; dental providers; physical, occupational, speech, and respiratory therapists; and School Based Health Centers (SBHC).

# Hybrid/Onsite Plan

The Sherman County School District has developed a Communicable Disease Management Annex in conjunction with the dedicated staff at the North Central Public Health District, the North Central Education Service District. Our Sherman County School Contract Tracer/Quality Control person has also reviewed this document as well as the CDMA.

## 21. BOARDING SCHOOLS AND RESIDENTIAL PROGRAMS ONLY

# **OHA/ODE Requirements**

- Provide specific plan details and adjustments in Operational Blueprints that address staff and student safety, which includes how you will approach:
  - Contact tracing
  - The intersection of cohort designs in residential settings (by wing or common restrooms) with cohort designs in the

# **Hybrid/Onsite Plan**

Not Applicable.

# **2m. SCHOOL EMERGENCY PROCEDURES AND DRILLS**

**Hybrid/Onsite Plan** 

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$\boxtimes$	In accordance with ORS 336.071 and OAR 581-022-2225 all schools
	(including those operating a Comprehensive Distance Learning
	model) are required to instruct students on emergency
	procedures. Schools that operate an On-Site or Hybrid model need
	to instruct and practice drills on emergency procedures so that

- At least 30 minutes in each school month must be used to instruct students on the emergency procedures for fires, earthquakes (including tsunami drills in appropriate zones), and safety threats.
- Fire drills must be conducted monthly.

students and staff can respond to emergencies.

- Earthquake drills (including tsunami drills and instruction for schools in a tsunami hazard zone) must be conducted two times a year.
- Safety threats including procedures related to lockdown, lockout, shelter in place and evacuation and other appropriate actions to take when there is a threat to safety must be conducted two times a year.
- ☑ Drills can and should be carried out <u>as close as possible</u> to the procedures that would be used in an actual emergency. For example, a fire drill should be carried out with the same alerts and same routes as normal. If appropriate and practicable, COVID-19 physical distancing measures can be implemented, but only if they do not compromise the drill.
- When or if physical distancing must be compromised, drills must be completed in less than 15 minutes.
- Drills should not be practiced unless they can be practiced correctly.
- Train staff on safety drills prior to students arriving on the first day on campus in hybrid or face-to-face engagement.
- ☑ If on a hybrid schedule, conduct multiple drills each month to ensure that all cohorts of students have opportunities to participate in drills (i.e., schedule on different cohort days throughout the year).
- Students must wash hands with soap and water for 20 seconds or use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer with 60-95% alcohol after a drill is complete.

Safety is the number one priority for the Sherman County School District. Safety drills will be conducted as close as possible to the procedures that would be used in an actual emergency. When physical distancing must be compromised, drills will be completed in the quickest amount of time to keep everyone safe. Drills will not be practiced unless they can be practiced correctly.

- Utilize the components of Collaborative Problem Solving or a similar framework to continually provide instruction and skillbuilding/training related to the student's demonstrated lagging skills.
- ☐ Take proactive/preventative steps to reduce antecedent events and triggers within the school environment.
- Be proactive in planning for known behavioral escalations (e.g., self-harm, spitting, scratching, biting, eloping, failure to maintain physical distance). Adjust antecedents where possible to minimize student and staff dysregulation. Recognize that there could be new and different antecedents and setting events with the additional requirements and expectations for the 2020-21 school year.
- Establish a proactive plan for daily routines designed to build self-regulation skills; self-regulation skill-building sessions can be short (5-10 minutes), and should take place at times when the student is regulated and/or is not demonstrating challenging behaviors.
- Ensure all staff are trained to support de-escalation, provide lagging skill instruction, and implement alternatives to restraint and seclusion.
- Ensure that staff are trained in effective, evidence-based methods for developing and maintaining their own level of self-regulation and resilience to enable them to remain calm and able to support struggling students as well as colleagues.
- Plan for the impact of behavior mitigation strategies on public health and safety requirements:
  - Student elopes from area
    - o If staff need to intervene for student safety, staff should:
      - Use empathetic and calming verbal interactions (i.e. "This seems hard right now. Help me understand... How can I help?") to attempt to re-regulate the student without physical intervention.
      - Use the least restrictive interventions possible to maintain physical safety for the student and staff.
      - Wash hands after a close interaction.
      - Note the interaction on the appropriate contact log.
    - \*If unexpected interaction with other stable cohorts occurs, those contacts must be noted in the appropriate contact logs.
  - Student engages in behavior that requires them to be isolated from peers and results in a room clear.
    - If students leave the classroom:
      - Preplan for a clean and safe alternative space that maintains physical safety for the student and staff
      - Ensure physical distancing and separation occur, to the maximum extent possible.
      - Use the least restrictive interventions possible to maintain physical safety for the student and staff.
      - Wash hands after a close interaction.
      - Note the interaction on the appropriate contact log.
    - \*If unexpected interaction with other stable cohorts occurs, those contacts must be noted in the appropriate contact logs.
  - Student engages in physically aggressive behaviors that preclude the possibility of maintaining physical distance and/or require physical de-escalation or intervention techniques other than restraint or seclusion (e.g., hitting, biting, spitting, kicking, self-injurious behavior).
    - If staff need to intervene for student safety, staff should:
      - Maintain student dignity throughout and following the incident.

## Hybrid/Onsite Plan

In order to support staff and students, Sherman County School will utilize components of PBIS and Collaborative Problem Solving to continually provide instruction and skill-building/training related to the student's demonstrated skills. The district will ensure the following:

- Proactive/preventive steps will be taken to reduce likely, or known, events which may lead to behavior challenges.
- Proactive planning will be done for known behavioral escalations.
- Establish a proactive plan for daily routines designed to build self-regulation skills at times when students are regulated and/or not demonstrating challenging behaviors.
- Ensure all staff are trained to support de-escalation, provide lagging skill instruction, and implement alternatives to restraint and seclusion.
- Ensure all staff are trained in effective, evidence-based methods for developing and maintaining their own level of self-regulation and resilience to enable them to remain calm and able to support struggling students as well as colleagues.
- Ensure that spaces that are unexpectedly used to deescalate behaviors are appropriately cleaned and sanitized after use before the introduction of other stable cohorts to that space.
- Reusable PPE must be clean/sanitized after every episode of physical intervention.

OHA/ODE Req	quirements	Hybrid/Onsite Plan
0	<ul> <li>Use empathetic and calming verbal interactions (i.e. "This seems hard right now. Help me understand         How can I help?") to attempt to re-regulate the student without physical intervention.</li> <li>Use the least restrictive interventions possible to maintain physical safety for the student and staff</li> <li>Wash hands after a close interaction.</li> <li>Note the interaction on the appropriate contact log.</li> <li>*If unexpected interaction with other stable cohorts occurs, those contacts must be noted in the appropriate contact logs.</li> </ul>	
behaviors	nat spaces that are unexpectedly used to deescalate s are appropriately cleaned and sanitized after use before duction of other stable cohorts to that space.	
Protective Phy	ysical Intervention	
cleaned/s section 2j	Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) must be sanitized after every episode of physical intervention (see j of the <i>Ready Schools, Safe Learners</i> guidance: Cleaning, ion, and Ventilation).	



# 3. Response to Outbreak

# **3a. PREVENTION AND PLANNING**

	out the terminal term				
OHA/ODE Requirements		Hybrid/Onsite Plan			
$\boxtimes$	Review the "Planning for COVID-19 Scenarios in Schools" toolkit.	<ul> <li>Communication will be coordinated with NCPHD.</li> </ul>			
	Coordinate with Local Public Health Authority (LPHA) to establish communication channels related to current transmission level.	<ul> <li>When cases are identified at Sherman County School a response team will be implemented.</li> <li>Students maybe temporarily dismissed from attending school or moved to online learning.</li> <li>We will collaborate with NCPHD to establish timely communication with staff and families.</li> <li>A re-entry plan will be prepared for students to return to school.</li> </ul>			

# **3b. RESPONSE**

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OHA/ODE Requirements	Hybrid/Onsite Plan		
⊠ Review and utilize the "Planning for COVID-19 Scenarios in Planning for COV	Please see the Communicable Diseases Management Annex		
<u>Schools</u> " toolkit.			
	In the event of a closure, the district will initiate the Distance Learning		
Distance Learning.	Model and schedule.		
□ Continue to provide meals for students.	Meals will be provided to students and delivered to four locations		
	within Sherman County.		

# **3c. RECOVERY AND REENTRY**

OHA/ODE Requirements		Hybrid/Onsite Plan		
$\boxtimes$	Review and utilize the "Planning for COVID-19 Scenarios in	Distance learning and in-person learning will be planned allowing for		
	<u>Schools</u> " toolkit.	students (and the school community) to move between an in-person		
$\boxtimes$	Clean, sanitize, and disinfect surfaces (e.g., playground equipment,	and comprehensive distance learning model. In the event of a school		
	door handles, sink handles, drinking fountains, transport vehicles)	closure, all students and staff will participate in distance learning		
	and follow CDC guidance for classrooms, cafeteria settings,	temporarily.		
	restrooms, and playgrounds.			

OHA/ODE Requirements	Hybrid/Onsite Plan
When bringing students back into On-Site or Hybrid instruction, consider smaller groups, cohorts, and rotating schedules to allow for a safe return to schools.	We will also consult with NCPHD for guidance on cleaning, sanitizing and disinfecting surfaces. We will also strictly follow the NCPHD guidance regarding the return of students and staff for on-site learning.



This section must be completed by any public school that is providing instruction through On-Site or Hybrid Instructional Models.

Schools providing Comprehensive Distance Learning Instructional Models do not need to complete this section unless the school is implementing the Limited In-Person Instruction provision under the Comprehensive Distance Learning guidance.

This section does not apply to private schools.

- We affirm that, in addition to meeting the requirements as outlined above, our school plan has met the collective requirements from ODE/OHA guidance related to the 2020-21 school year, including but not limited to requirements from:
  - Sections 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8 of the <u>Ready Schools, Safe Learners</u> guidance,
  - The **Comprehensive Distance Learning** guidance,
  - The Ensuring Equity and Access: Aligning Federal and State Requirements guidance, and
  - Planning for COVID-19 Scenarios in Schools
- We affirm that we cannot meet all of the collective requirements from ODE/OHA guidance related to the 2020-21 school year from:
  - Sections 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8 of the <u>Ready Schools, Safe Learners</u> guidance,
  - The Comprehensive Distance Learning guidance,
  - The Ensuring Equity and Access: Aligning Federal and State Requirements guidance, and
  - Planning for COVID-19 Scenarios in Schools

We will continue to work towards meeting them and have noted and addressed which requirement(s) we are unable to meet in the table titled "Assurance Compliance and Timeline" below.



4. Equity



5. Instruction



6. Family, Community, Engagement



7. Mental, Social, and Emotional Health



8. Staffing and Personnel

# **Assurance Compliance and Timeline**

If a district/school cannot meet the requirements from the sections above, provide a plan and timeline to meet the requirement.

Provide a Plan and Timeline to Meet Requirements Include how/why the school is currently unable to meet them