



Millersburg Area School District Reopening Guide

Millersburg Area School District's Health and Safety Plan (Plan), provides reopening guidelines for instructional and noninstructional school programs. These guidelines outline a variety of standards that address considerations related to health and safety. The District acknowledges that there are no strategies that will completely eliminate the risk of COVID-19; rather, the District's goal in developing its Plan focuses on minimizing risks to the greatest extent possible, while also allowing the District to resume school activities. The Plan is intended to provide flexibility to transition from a less restrictive environment to a more restrictive environment, depending on changing public health conditions and federal, state, and local government mandates. Social distancing will be implemented to the maximum extent feasible during all school activities and events.

As with all emergency plans, the Health and Safety Plan has been tailored to the unique needs of the District and has been created in consultation with a variety of stakeholders. Additionally, in developing the Plan, the District has reviewed applicable guidance and recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control, Pennsylvania Department of Health, American Academy of Pediatrics, and the Department of Education. The Health and Safety Plan has been adopted by the District's Board of School Directors and is posted on the District's website.

This Plan shall be monitored throughout the year and is subject to revision based on changing public health conditions, mandates, guidance, and regulations.

Green and Yellow Phases

Wellness

- At-home wellness and temperature checks for students and staff before coming to school. If you do not feel well – Please stay home.
- Healthy hygiene education on washing hands, coughing, and COVID -19 symptoms.
- Facial coverings may be removed when eating or drinking, seated at desks or assigned workstations, or when social distancing is achieved in accordance with PDE guidelines.
- Hand Sanitizing stations will be available throughout the buildings and in classrooms and must be utilized upon entry to the building and each classroom.
- Hygiene posters posted throughout the buildings.
- Hand washing breaks scheduled into the daily routine.

Facilities

- Routine cleaning and disinfecting of high touch surfaces by custodial staff.
- Extensive cleaning of restrooms, common areas, and food serving areas throughout the school day.
- Social distancing signage and reminders posted throughout the buildings.
- Lockers, cubbies, and other storage facilities utilized with social distancing procedures in place, not be shared by students.
- Outside groups may only use outdoor facilities, excluding concession areas. Indoor facilities will only be available for Millersburg Area-approved activities.
- Cafeteria - students will eat meals in the cafeteria, gymnasium, and other possible locations.
- **Recess** - Regular recess. Limited use of shared and fixed playground equipment. Shared and fixed equipment shall be sanitized between each recess.
- **Recess** - Reduced student numbers, staggered times, and locations. Shared equipment may be utilized and shall be sanitized between each recess. Fixed equipment will not be utilized.

Volunteers/Visitors

- Restrict nonessential visitors and volunteers from entering the buildings.
- Building access limited to students, staff, and essential visitors. Visitors will have temperatures scanned and be required to wear a face covering before entering. Capacity of office space will be limited.

Learning Spaces

- 3'-6' of space between all student work spaces.
- Limit sharing of school supplies, books, technology, etc. to the maximum extent feasible.
- Hand sanitization upon each classroom entry.
- Instructional schedule modified to allow for additional handwashing and other protocols.
- Disinfecting wipes available in all rooms.

Suspected/Confirmed Cases of COVID-19

- If a positive case is confirmed in schools, Department of Health guidance will be followed.
- District isolated or quarantined staff, students or visitors must obtain clearance to return to school from a licensed, practicing physician.
- Persons who have COVID-19 who have symptoms and were directed to care for themselves at home by a licensed, practicing physician, may discontinue isolation under the following conditions:
 - 10 days from the onset of symptoms.
 - Resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications for the previous 72 hours.
 - Improvement in respiratory symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath)
- If a student has a possible exposure to COVID-19 outside of school, parents are requested to notify the school if they are instructed to quarantine by their physician. Student assignments will be collected and sent home with extended deadlines for completion.

Instruction

- Face to face instruction will occur.
- Art, Library, Music, Guidance, and Physical Education will be taught in their traditional locations where possible.
- Elementary students will remain in the same class throughout the day. Specials will be taught in the students' classrooms by the specialist teacher.
- Online learning options will be made available.

Technology

- Students will take their school-issued device home each day.
- Provide details to staff and students on proper techniques for disinfecting 1:1 devices.

Athletics/Extracurricular Activities

- All participants are to follow the Extracurricular Health and Safety plan.
- Facial coverings are required by all participants who are not actively engaged in an activity.
- Athletics will follow [PIAA guidance](#).

Red Phase

Instruction

- No in-person instruction to students. Remote learning services provided to students with planned instruction in every subject.
- Attendance will be recorded and determined by student engagement and participation.
- Assignments will be graded.
- Assessments will be given and graded.

Full-time Online Learning Option 1 (Millersburg Teachers)

- Taught by Millersburg Area School District teachers utilizing:
 - Seesaw in Grades K-2
 - Google Classroom and/or Canvas in Grades 3-12

Full-time Online Learning Option 2 (CAOLA Teachers)

- The Millersburg Area School District provides its own full-time online schooling through the Capital Area Online Learning Association (CAOLA) for students in grades kindergarten through twelve.

Food Distribution

- Upon approval by the Division of Food and Nutrition, distribution will be announced and provided on a weekly basis.
- Distribution will occur at the HS Entrance.

Facilities

- All school facilities will be closed except to essential personnel.
- Virtual board meetings will be held.

Athletics/Extracurricular Activities

- All athletics are cancelled.
- All extracurricular activities are cancelled.

Technology

- Student assigned devices will already be at home.
- Provide details on proper techniques for disinfecting 1:1 devices.
- Devices Utilized:
 - Grades K-2
 - 1:1 student assigned iPads
 - Grades 3-12
 - 1:1 student assigned Chromebooks
- Technology support days will be announced and provided at the HS Entrance.

Communication

- SchoolMessenger will be used for all vital announcements.
- Information will be posted on the district website and social media.