

## **RETURN TO SCHOOL PLAN 2020**

#### Masks

- All Greater Clark staff will be required to wear masks, or face coverings, in school when they are unable to social distance unless they have an underlying health issue that prevents them from wearing a mask.
- Students will be encouraged to wear a mask or face covering when social distancing is not possible. This includes small group work and transition times.
- Students and parents will need to decide if a student should or should not wear a mask while working independently at his/her desk.
- The New Washington PTO has purchased masks for students to wear in the classroom. Masks will stay at school and the PTO has graciously agreed to wash them each night (in free and clear detergent). The PTO masks will be labeled with each students' name. Students may use their own mask in the classroom if they do not want to use the PTO masks.
- All students riding GCCS buses will be required to wear a mask.
- Students will be encouraged to wear their own mask from home while entering the building and during dismissal.

#### **CLEANING and SANITIZING**

- NWES staff will all work to keep surfaces clean.
- Staff members will clean frequently touched surfaces throughout the day and conduct overall cleanings at the conclusion of every day.
- Desks will be sanitized throughout the day. Teachers will have access to cleaning supplies for their classroom.
- Hand sanitizing stations have been installed throughout the building.



#### **MOVEMENT BETWEEN CLASSES**

- Restroom and handwashing will be scheduled.
- Transitions will be scheduled to limit more than one class in the same hallway at one time.
- Activities that combine more than one class will be postponed unless adequate social distancing is possible.
- Students will be encouraged to wear masks in the hallways and when physical distancing is not possible.

#### **CLASSROOM**

- Desks will be forward facing in rows, spaced apart as much as reasonably possible.
- Students will use assigned materials; sharing materials will be minimal.
- Students will have assigned seats in their classroom, special area and during lunch.
- During small groups; students and teachers will be required to wear masks.

## **CAFETERIA**

- Assigned seats will be used.
- Classes have been spaced out to limit the capacity in the cafeteria.
- Kindergarten and preschool students will not eat in the cafeteria.
- Students will sit four to a table.
- PTO is working to provide dividers.
- All food and materials will be handed directly to students from staff wearing masks and gloves.
- Food sharing will be prohibited.



### **VISITORS**

- No classroom visitors or lunch visitors.
- Visitors to New Washington for parent or office meetings must call ahead to make an appointment by contacting Jennifer Brown at extension 18141.
- Any visitor entering the building will be required to wear a mask.

# **Special Area**

- Students will have art, music, physical education, technology class, and recess.
- Art and technology will occur in the classroom.
- PE will take place outside as much as possible.

### **Arrival and Dismissal**

- In the mornings, car riders and buses will drop off in the same location as last year. Cars will drop off at the front doors and buses will unload at the doors on the softball side of the gym
- After school the locations will flip. Buses will load in front of the school and car riders will load from the softball side of the gym.
- In the afternoon, car riders should enter the parking lot from the north side of Poplar Street (southbound lane by the First Baptist Church).

WE LOOK FORWARD TO WELCOMING OUR STUDENTS BACK FOR A SAFE, HEALTHY SCHOOL YEAR!

<sup>\*</sup>This is our plan as of 7/21/2020. Subject to change as guidelines evolve from the GCCS district and Indiana state levels.