

Northaven School

Return to School Plan



Social Distancing in the Classroom

- Tables have been removed from classrooms and replaced by desks as needed.
- Desks have been spaced apart as is reasonably possible and placed in rows, facing the same direction.
- Non-essential furniture and storage items have been removed so that social distancing can be maximized.
- Teachers will have assigned seating arrangements at all times.
- No combining classes for shared activities, unless it is in a space large enough to use social distance protocols.
- Northaven students will have an assigned pencil box, computer, and textbooks for individual use. Students will use individual supplies for all classes (related arts, language, reading, etc.)

Movement Between Classes

- Principal has reviewed schedules and transition plans to minimize large hallway exchanges.
- Grade level/team hallway transitions have been staggered.
- When possible, teachers will move rooms, instead of students moving rooms.
- Every effort will be made for Intervention, ELL, Special Education, and related arts to be taught in the homeroom.
- Stand spots will be placed outside of restrooms, hallways, and cafeteria to mark appropriate distance

Cafeteria/Meals

- Self-serve items such as fresh fruits and vegetable bar have been eliminated at this time.
- All serving lines have sneeze guards.
- Utensils will be handed out by cafeteria staff and will no longer be self-serve.
- Food sharing is strictly prohibited.
- PPE including face mask, disposable gloves and handwashing sinks with soap, water and single use towels have been issued to all food service staff.
- Tape marks have been placed on the floor to promote social distancing while waiting in line.
- Lunch times will be extended to meet guidelines. Students will be staggered and the stage will be utilized to spread out cafeteria tables.

Visitors

- All non-academic volunteer situations will be screened for necessity by the principal.
- Academic volunteers will be allowed as long as they follow all measures our staff is expected to follow.
- Special occasion celebrations planned by families are eliminated this year.
- No classroom visitors for 2020-2021, including to attend class parties or PRIDE events.
- Office will occupy one parent per workstation. A stand spot and a shield will be placed at each station
- Parents waiting will be asked to sit in the lobby
- School building visitors must make appointments.
- All volunteers and visitors must go through the screening process.

Cleaning and Sanitizing

- Protocols will be built for students to wash their hands before and after sharing materials/equipment.
- Protocols will be built for students to help clean their own workstations after use.
- Stations will be used as much as possible to limit usage of toys, books, learning aids, and other games.
- Custodians will spray each area daily in addition to students helping to clean the workstations with wipes.
- Auxiliary Services has conducted training sessions with custodial staff on cleaning protocols which emphasize the cleaning of high touch surfaces.
- Sanitizer will be provided to all staff members.
- Northaven custodians will operate on a staggered schedule to allow more opportunities to disinfect during the day.

Masks/Face Coverings

- Students are highly recommended to wear masks. If they do not wear a mask it is not a discipline issue. There are times when students may forgo mask use in the school day when they are social distancing. This may include brief times in the classroom, while eating, during outdoor classes or activities (recess), and during PE class.
- All students in grades 6-12 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 precludes them from wearing a mask. Also, 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 precludes them from wearing a mask.