

# Parkwood Elementary School

Return to School Plan

## Social Distancing in the Classroom

- Every child will have an assigned seat and spaced apart as much as possible, facing forward. Classroom furniture will be arranged to help with social distancing.
- Students will be encouraged to wear a mask when social distancing isn't possible.
- Sharing of materials will be minimal.
- During small group instruction, teachers and students will be encouraged to wear a mask. Individual bags/bins with reading materials will be provided for every child to ensure materials are not shared.
- Students will remain static in their homerooms as much as possible.

### Movement Between Classes

- "Rule of the Road" procedures will be in place for hallways. All classes will walk on the right side of the hall, distanced as much as possible.
- All restroom/hand washing breaks are scheduled and classes are assigned specific restrooms to ensure classes are separated as much as possible.
- When transitioning to lunch, recess, or special area classes, teachers will check halls to make sure they are clear and students will all walk on the right side, facing forward.
- Masks will be recommended for students and staff when in hallways.
- Small Group Instruction/Services: students will remain in their home room or with the students in their home room as much as possible and teachers will come to them. Students who receive specialized instruction or services may need to transition to those areas with specific protocols in place to ensure social distancing.

### Cafeteria/Meals

- Assigned seats will be used.
- Cafeteria furniture will be rearranged when necessary to ensure social distancing. Some tables will be placed in the gym.
- All food and materials will be handed directly to students from staff wearing masks and gloves.
- Students may bring a lunch and personal snack, but snacks and outside food may not be brought in for classes to share.
- Food sharing will be prohibited.

#### Visitors

- No classroom visitors or lunch visitors.
- Parent/Guardian meetings will need to be scheduled ahead of time with our office staff and go through a screening process.

## **Cleaning and Sanitizing**

- PES 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.
- Recess equipment and playground equipment will be sanitized after each use.

### Masks/Face Coverings

- GCCS is strongly recommending the use of masks, or face coverings, by staff and students.
- Due to the inability to be socially distanced on the school bus, all students riding GCCS transportation will be required to wear a mask, or face covering, while on the bus.
- The most critical times for staff and students to wear masks, or face coverings, include in the hallways, during small group instruction, or any other time when staff/students are going to be closer than 3-6 feet apart for longer than fifteen minutes.
- School staff will monitor classroom and common area situations in the moment to determine whether students may forgo or wear their masks, or face coverings.
- 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.