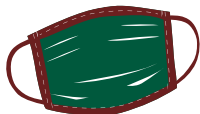


# COVID-19 Prevention Strategies for the 2020-2021 School Year

## Face Covering Required For Students, Staff and Visitors

- Masks required for employees
- Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) provided where necessary
- Face shield option available pending approval



## Enhanced Cleaning

- Improved routine cleaning and disinfecting of facilities by custodians
- Safe and effective cleanser provided to all teachers and office staff to use on high touch surfaces throughout the day

## Wellness and Hygiene



- Hand sanitizing stations installed in entrances and common areas
- Hand-washing throughout the day
- Restricted use of water fountains
- Encouraged use of water bottles

## Physical Barriers

- Physical partitions placed in reception areas at all MCSD locations and all public reception areas

## Health Services

- All persons who are sick will be required to stay at home
- Those who become sick at school or work will be sent home immediately
- Students reporting to the clinic will have their temperature taken
- All schools will have a room to isolate symptomatic persons
- Daily employee screening and temperature checks
- Student temperature screening at the beginning of school day
- Face shield option available pending approval



## Bus Safety

- Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) for bus drivers, including masks and face shields
- Assigned student seating to improve loading and unloading
- Safe and effective cleanser provided for high-touch surfaces after each run
- Buses disinfected after morning and afternoon routes
- Hand Sanitizer available on all buses
- Student must wear face coverings on school buses
- Parents are encouraged to transport their child(ren)



## School Logistics



- Assemblies limited to smaller groups of students with information broadcast live for students in classrooms
- Space out desks and tables in classrooms to improve social distancing
- Stagger class changes
- Limit distribution of school lockers
- "Mask Down Zones" in classrooms where students can safely, but temporarily, remove masks
- Building visitors will be restricted

## Public Health Signage

- CDC-designed signage displayed prominently throughout buildings to reinforce healthy hygiene and expected school and workplace behaviors
- Health information posted on how to prevent the spread of COVID-19
- "Stay at Home If Sick" notices
- Messages provided in Spanish; other languages available as needed

## Student Meals



- Parents are expected to pay for meals online
- Some students will eat in their classrooms using a grab-and-go model
- Students eating in the cafeteria will be seated in a manner that supports social distancing
- Virtual Students will be able to pick up meals at select locations.

## Culture and Wellness

- Daily Affirmations
- Character Word of the Month
- Social Justice
- Bully Prevention
- Digital Citizenship
- Social-Emotional Learning resources / behavioral screening

## Students with Disabilities

- Students with disabilities will receive support and services tailored to their needs and aligned to the chosen service model
- Based on their Individual Education Plan (IEP) whether in-person or virtual



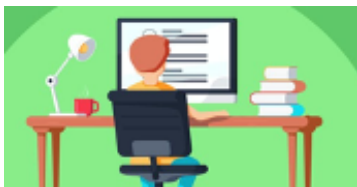
## INSTRUCTION & LEARNING

### District Instructional Expectations

- Daily schedules developed at each school for virtual and traditional classrooms.
- All students (1st – 12th grades) will have options for art, music, P.E., and most elective courses.
- District minimums are established for teacher-led instruction and independent work in both the virtual and traditional classrooms.
- Students with disabilities will be served according to their Individualized Education Plan (IEP) in both the virtual and traditional classrooms.
- English language learners will receive required language acquisition services as defined by state and federal guidelines in both the virtual and traditional classrooms.
- The state-adopted curriculum will be used in both the virtual and traditional classrooms.
- Supports and services for students with disabilities will be provided while participating in either of the choice models.
- Grading and attendance will be consistent whether a student is attending classes virtually or in the traditional classroom. Students will be responsible for all assignments and assessments.
- Gifted students will continue to receive services in both the virtual and traditional classrooms.
- All students will be provided with opportunities for access to digital supplemental resources.

### Virtual Instruction

- Teachers will be effective in video conferencing, communication, classroom management, setting up schedules and routines, establishing an environment of collaboration and creating and administering tests in the virtual environment.
- Daily instruction will be provided live by students' assigned teachers with time tailored to be developmentally appropriate for the age.
- Instructional resources will be provided digitally unless otherwise stated in an Individualized Education Plan (IEP) where resources are provided in both formats.
- Opportunities will be provided virtually for student collaboration.
- Instruction will include large group, virtual small groups, and independent assignments.
- Teachers will be provided with Professional Development and support to be effective in the virtual classroom.



### Traditional Instruction

- Teachers will be effective in communication, classroom management, setting up schedules and routines, establishing an environment of collaboration and creating and administering tests in the traditional classroom.
- Daily instruction will be provided by students' assigned teachers on a traditional school schedule.
- Instructional resources will be provided both digitally and printed text unless otherwise stated in an Individualized Education Plan (IEP) where resources are provided in both formats.
- Opportunities will be provided for student collaboration.
- Instruction will include traditional large group, small groups, and independent assignments.
- Teachers will be provided with Professional Development and support to be effective in the traditional classroom.



*Muscogee County School District is working in accordance with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Georgia Department of Public Health, Georgia Department of Education, and local emergency officials in response to the Covid-19 pandemic.*

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**Mission:**

***Our Mission is to inspire and equip all students to achieve unlimited potential.***

