

MURRAY RETURN TO LEARN PLAN

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The Murray School District intends to provide on-site learning for all students to begin the 2021-22 school year. There are a number of structure and routine changes that have been made to provide an engaging in-person learning experience for students, while also keeping health and safety at the forefront. The plan is based on the information that we have available now. It is likely that information will change over time. As conditions change, we will adapt our plan accordingly.

The safety practices listed in this document were created utilizing the guidance provided by the lowa Department of Education, the lowa Department of Public Health (IDPH), and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Along with the legislation passed in lowa this past spring prohibiting the requiring of masks by schools. The main focus of this plan is to provide a safe learning environment for all students and staff of the Murray School District. The safety of our students, staff, and community is extremely important to the district.

Sanitization

The Murray School District has developed stringent sanitizing procedures for the upcoming school year to help prevent the spread of COVID-19. These procedures will help ensure a safe and hygienic learning environment for all students and staff.

- Signs will be posted throughout the building that promote ways to stop the spread of illness.
- Desks will be cleaned between each class period and at the end of the school day.
- All classrooms will be sanitized by the maintenance staff daily
- All locker rooms will be sanitized twice daily.
- The lunchroom will be sanitized between each lunch and breakfast shift.
- All buses will be sanitized daily.

Building Offices

- Parents/Guardians, volunteers, and other visitors will not be allowed to enter the building unless picking up a sick child.
- Parents/Guardians that are picking up students at an irregular time should remain in their car and call the office to have their child released. Parents at the elementary level may enter the entry way at the main entrance and wait for their child. If at all possible, communicate irregular pick-up times to the teacher and building secretary ahead of time by providing the date, pick-up time, and person that will pick the child up.

Evaluating Sick Students and Staff

Students or staff members should remain home when sick. Students or staff members with any high-risk symptom, or two or more low risk symptoms, should stay home and are advised to seek an evaluation by a healthcare provider.

- Any child who is ill with potential COVID-19 symptoms will be placed in a designated area while waiting to be picked up. Parents, guardians, emergency contacts will be expected to pick up the sick child within one hour.
- If the school/district is made aware of a student or staff member that has tested positive for COVID-19, the district will follow the guidelines and recommendations from IDPH.

High Risk Symptoms

• New cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, new loss of taste or smell

Low Risk Symptoms

• Fever, headache, muscle and body aches, fatigue, sore throat, runny nose, congestion, nausea, vomiting,diarrhea

By A Healthcare Provider							
Negative COVID-19 Test	Alternative Diagnosis	Positive COVID-19 Test Evaluation					
Return to school after 24 hours with no fever (without the use of fever-reducing medicine) and symptoms improving.	Return to school after 24 hours with no fever (without the use of fever-reducing medicine) and symptoms improving.	A student with a positive test will isolate at home for 10 days from the time symptoms start. Students must be fever free for 24 hours without medicine and symptoms improving.					

Face Coverings

Student and staff safety is the driving force behind the decisions made by the district. Returning to in-person instruction provides a multitude of safety concerns that must be addressed, while also providing our students an engaging educational experience. Utilizing the guidance from IDPH, the CDC, and the Iowa Department of Education, the Murray School District has decided to implement the following guidelines for face coverings.

- Face coverings are optional, families need to make a decision to fit their needs..
- School staff will discuss the prevention of stigma associated with the use or non-use of face coverings, to support a respectful and inclusive school environment.

Transportation Procedures

- Students riding the bus will be given an assigned seat. Families will be seated together.
- Buses will be sanitized daily.
- When buses arrive at the school, middle and high school students will exit the bus first entering through the main entrance. Elementary students will exit next entering the cafeteria door into the building.
- Pre-school students will be dropped off at their respective classroom doors and met by a staff member.

Restrooms

- Students will be reminded to thoroughly wash hands after using the restroom before returning to class.
- Restrooms will be cleaned and sanitized frequently by maintenance staff.
- Classrooms will be limited to one student signed out at a time to use the restroom.

Sanitization Procedures for Classrooms

- Each classroom will be supplied with hand sanitizer. As students enter each class, the teacher will give them a pump of hand sanitizer. As students finish wiping desks at the end of each class, the teacher will give them another pump of hand sanitizer before they leave the classroom.
- To the extent possible, students will not share classroom materials. If there is a need to share materials, they will be sanitized between uses.

Recess (Elementary)

- Recess will be scheduled to ensure, to the extent possible, that reduced numbers of children are on playgrounds at any given time.
- Students will be closely supervised during recess.
- Teachers on duty will carry cell phones to summon assistance if needed during recess time.

Hallways

Elementary School

- One-directional traffic patterns with distancing will be practiced to the greatest extent possible. Students will be supervised by staff members at all times.
- Outdoor pathways will be utilized when possible.

Middle/High School

- Students will be expected to gather necessary materials from their lockers quickly and report to their next class to prevent congregating in the hallways.
- Secondary teachers will stand in their classroom doorways during passing periods to monitor the hall and prompt students to move quickly to their next class.

Before and After School Procedures

Students should only be on campus before or after school if they have tutoring, activities, or another school-related reason. Students are encouraged to social distance at all times and in all common areas. Building specific before and after school plans are listed below.

Elementary

- We ask that students not arrive before 7:45 a.m.
- Parents or designees will drop students behind the school at door 11 where staff supervision will be provided for students entering the building.
- Parents or designees must follow one way directional signs and leave the
- lot immediately upon dropping off students to maintain a safe flow of traffic.
- Parents or designees may not enter the building during drop off or pick up times.
- Buses will unload in the morning, one at a time, with staff supervision for each bus.

Middle/High School

- We ask that students not arrive before 7:45 a.m. unless involved in a school activity or by teacher approval.
- Parents or designees will drop students behind the school at door 11 where staff supervision will be provided for students entering the building.

• After school, students are asked to go straight to their activities or exit the building following dismissal.

Breakfast and Lunch Procedures

Elementary

Breakfast

 \circ Breakfast will be served from 7:45-8:05 and will be consumed in the cafeteria.

• Cafeteria will be sanitized each day.

• Lunch

- \circ Students will be encouraged to social distance when possible.
- Lunch room will be sanitized daily.
- Lunch lines will encourage social distancing.

Middle/High School

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Lunch

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- Lunch lines will encourage social distancing.

ESSER III Plan

The district proposes the following usage of ESSER III funds to support learning recovery and a healthy environment for student learning. The HVAC updates would be primarily in the 1924 portion of campus.

ESSER III Pla	<u>n</u>	Annual Expense	<u>FY22</u>	<u>FY23</u>	<u>FY24</u>	Gen Fund Effect	20% Esser 3
\$356,277.00	Esser III		\$50,000.00	\$380,346.00	\$15,000.00	\$70,000.00	\$115,000.00
\$89,069.00	20% Addressing Learning Loss						
\$445,346.00							
	Expense	check numbers					
	Daily Intervention k-8		\$35,000.00	\$35,000.00		\$70,000.00	\$70,000.00
	Instructional tools		\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00		\$15,000.00
	Instructional Training	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00		\$30,000.00
	HVAC			\$330,346.00			
ESSER \$\$	\$445,346						
Total Allocated	\$445,346.00						
Balance	\$0						