

Stanberry R-II School District
Safe Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Services Plan (SRCSP)
Fall 2021

This document will serve as the plan for the continuation of educating students within the Stanberry R-II School District. The Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) asked that schools have a plan in place as guidance for families. As the Stanberry R-II District operated a regular school year last year, the plan moving forward is to continue with the same approach as before with a few exceptions. The plan will be reexamined every six months or when conditions warrant a necessary change. The plan was created with input from the administration, Board of Education, teachers, school counselors, local health officials, food service director, maintenance staff, community members, and stakeholders. If you need or know someone who needs this plan translated or read to them, please call Bob Hedding at 660-783-2136.

DESE, under the mandate of the Federal Government, has asked that schools include at a minimum the 8 bolded and numbered items below:

1. **UNIVERSAL AND CORRECT WEARING OF MASKS**

Masks- Masks will **NOT** be a mandatory requirement for students or staff members.

- a. Should a child become sick at school and show signs of potential COVID-19 symptoms a child would be asked to wear a mask in a transition room until a family member could pick the child up.
- b. Teachers will not be responsible for the masks of students that choose to wear a mask.
- c. Families who choose to wear a mask will need to provide their child with a mask.

2. **PHYSICAL DISTANCING**

Social Distancing-

- a. Classrooms will be set up with as much social distance between desks as possible.
- b. Students will be taught the importance of covering coughs and sneezes, hand hygiene, and not coming to school sick or with a fever.
- c. Students will be taught to be conscientious of their surroundings and exhibit behaviors that take the needs of others into consideration.
- d. The district will work to keep students three feet apart.

3. **HANDWASHING AND RESPIRATORY ETIQUETTE**

Handwashing-

- a. Students will be encouraged to wash their hands regularly.
- b. Stanberry R-II personnel, along with local health professionals will teach students the appropriate way to safely wash their hands.

Hand Sanitizer

- a. The school will make hand sanitizer available in classrooms for student use.

4. **CLEANING AND MAINTAINING HEALTH FACILITIES**

Cleaning

- a. High touch surface areas will be cleaned daily multiple times
- b. Students will be reminded to wash their hands regularly after returning from areas where they may have touched high volume surfaces.

5. **CONTACT TRACING**

- a. Pursuant to guidelines from the Tri-County Health Department students who are within three feet of a COVID-19 positive student for longer than 15 minutes will be required to isolate for 10 days.
- b. The Stanberry R-II School District will work closely with the Tri-County Health Department to determine which students have been in close proximity to a COVID-19 positive student.

6. DIAGNOSTIC AND SCREENING TESTING

- a. The Stanberry R-II School District will not administer any test for COVID-19.
- b. The Stanberry R-II School District will remind students and staff that testing is available through the Tri-County Health Department.

7. EFFORTS TO PROVIDE VACCINATIONS

- a. Currently the Tri-County Health Department has vaccinations available at no cost to individuals who are eligible for the vaccine.
- b. At this time, the Pfizer Vaccine is available for children 12 years of age or older. This vaccine can be administered at this time by the Tri-County Health Department.
- c. If a student is vaccinated they are exempt from Contract Tracing protocols 14 days after their second vaccination.
- d. During the spring of the 2020-2021 school year, staff members were given the opportunity to receive the vaccine on site at the school.
- e. There are no plans to require individuals to take the vaccination.

8. APPROPRIATE ACCOMMODATIONS FOR CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES

- a. Appropriate accommodations for students will be made available on a case by case need as mandated by an Individualized Education Plan (IEP).

ADDITIONAL NOTES OF IMPORTANCE:

- Temperature Checks-The district will NOT conduct daily temperature checks of students. In the event a student appears to have a temperature the student's temperature will be checked.
 - Parents are also asked not to give their children doses of medication designed to force the body to drive down a temperature for the purpose of sending their child to the school.
 - Students who have a temperature at school over 100.0 will be given a mask to wear until they have left the school with a parent/guardian.

CONTINUITY OF SERVICES

- In the case of students being out of school for an extended period of time due to COVID-19, Stanberry R-II School District Students will still be able to receive instruction electronically or through paper/hard copy.
- Teachers will interact with students to provide instruction, develop appropriate feedback (student and parents), and check for understanding during distance learning
 - Email/Google Classroom: 2-3 times per week
 - Teleconference: Weekly
- The Stanberry R-II School District will use teleconference/web-based software to teach/reinforce concepts along with virtual instruction
- If Internet Access is not available for families, communication with Stanberry R-II School District must be made by contacting Bob Hedding at 660-783-2136 for assistance.
- Stanberry R-II School District will provide devices to use for remote learning if needed. Communication from home must be made to help provide the appropriate device.
- If packets are sent home, they will have the same types of questions or scenarios as the online portion for the students. The majority of information can be printed or scanned from the original online version so the same information is presented in both forms of instruction.
 - Stanberry R-II School District will have a drop off and pickup station inside the building for packets. If parent do not have means of transportation, these packets can be dropped off or picked up by administration.
 - Feedback and Instruction can take place via FaceTime/Google Meets/Zoom or handwritten. PowerPoint Notes or Instructional notes may be printed off if needed.

SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL SUPPORT

- The Stanberry R-II School District understands that the COVID crisis has caused a great deal of stress and disruption into the lives of its student body. As such, the district counselors will continue to meet one-on-one and virtually with students throughout the school year.
- As has been the case in previous years, the district has protocols in place to work with students and families who are experiencing difficult situations. As it is impossible to plan for each potential scenario, the staff of the school will work with students as the school becomes aware of situations students are dealing with.
- The Stanberry R-II School District will seek the services of a Licensed Clinical Social Worker to assist in the Social and Emotional support of the student body and staff.

PROCEDURES FOR STUDENTS WHO BECOME SICK AT SCHOOL

- Contact the parent and determine if the child has been in an area where they may have been exposed to COVID-19.
- Students with a temperature of 100.0 or higher will be sent home.
- A child would not be allowed to return to school until they are fever free for 24 hours, and any other illness related symptoms are showing signs of improving.
- Requirements for students that have been exposed or potentially exposed will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis. The local health department and CDC guidelines will help guide each scenario presented and administration will make a determination for next steps.
- If there is a positive case, families will be notified that a person has tested positive for COVID-19 in the building and encourage cooperation with the school and the local health department to conduct contact tracing with the individual. The individual who tested positive will not be identified in communications to the school community at large but may need to be selectively identified for contact tracing by the health department.

ACADEMICS

- In the event that the school needed to close for an extended period of time, the school will transition into Distance Learning for students. All students will have work assigned through Google Classroom and utilize their Chromebooks to complete assignments.
- The Stanberry R-II School District will adhere to a grading policy should the district be required to move into Distance Learning.
- In the event the school transitions into a Distance Learning, attendance in Distance Learning will be required and students will be required to complete work assigned to be counted as attending.

This plan may be changed with short notice due to the nature of the pandemic. While COVID-19 conditions continue to improve across the country, the pandemic has not yet been eradicated. This plan will be reviewed in the fall to ensure that best practices continue to be utilized.