



**COLUMBIANA EXEMPTED VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
*The Place to Be!*

## THE CLIPPER FLYER



**FROM THE DESK OF DONALD MOOK, Ed.D.**

**2020-2021 – Columbiana School District is The Place to Be!**

Dear Clippers,

The Columbiana Exempted Village School District is excited to welcome students back in our school buildings on January 19. As we return to the classroom, families will have two options for learning: traditional in-person learning or remote learning. The goal has always been to have in-person learning for students, as this is the best educational process for student growth and achievement.

Parents selecting a remote option for education should communicate your intentions to your child's school office staff. This choice should be made for the entire third nine weeks: January 19 through March 19. Your child's teachers and principals need to know your decision **prior** to the restart of traditional in-person instruction on January 19.

Columbiana High School - 330-482-3818  
Columbiana South Side Middle School - 330-482-5354  
Joshua Dixon Elementary School - 330-482-5355

COVID-19 confirmed cases of students and staff are documented on the school district's [website](#). It's imperative to keep monitoring and be aware of COVID-19

symptoms. Coming to school with any of the symptoms puts others at risk of the virus and produces unnecessary quarantines and risk of illness for staff and other students. It additionally weakens our ability to provide instruction in-person. We are asking parents to consider self-quarantining your child if you, their primary caregiver, is experiencing symptoms that could potentially result in a positive COVID-19 case.

### **High Risk Symptoms**

New Cough  
Difficulty Breathing  
Loss of Taste and Smell  
Fever greater than 100 degrees  
Congestion/Runny Nose  
Diarrhea

### **Low Risk Symptoms**

Nausea/ Vomiting  
Sore Throat  
Headache  
Muscle Weakness

The district has been working collaboratively with Columbiana and Mahoning Health Departments regarding safety protocols, contact tracing, quarantines and reporting COVID-19 cases. On December 30, 2020, Governor Mike DeWine and the Ohio Department of Health released new guidelines and protocols for schools when it comes to COVID-19. We believe that the new guidelines will minimize the disruption to our schools and the education process. Here are the new guidelines:

- If a student or teacher is exposed **in the classroom setting** to someone with COVID-19, quarantine is not recommended for the exposed individual **as long as masking and other appropriate protocols were followed**
- Quarantine continues to be advised for anyone who is exposed in the classroom if protocols have not been followed (e.g., students or adults in the classroom did not properly wear masks).
- Quarantine also continues to be advised for anyone exposed during extracurricular activities, including sports, regardless of masking or other protocols. **Revised guidelines above only apply in classroom settings.**

***In all cases of potential exposure, consult with the local health department for guidance.***



**Department  
of Health**

**COVID-19 Fact  
Sheet  
K-12 School  
Quarantine**

These recommended protocols were updated based on consultation with many resources, including an [evaluation of K-12 school students](#) conducted by the Ohio Schools COVID-19 Evaluation Team (OSCE), which includes the Ohio Colleges of Medicine Government Resource Center, The Ohio State University, Wright State University, Ohio University, and the Post Acute Rapid Response Team (PARRT, Central Ohio Geriatrics).

It showed that, in a supervised classroom setting, there was no discernible

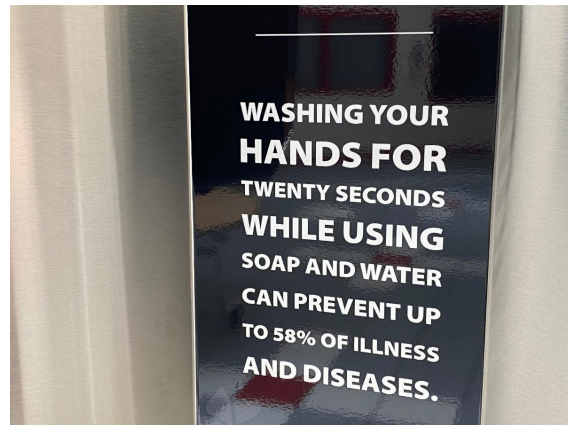
difference in rates of COVID-19 among students who were close contacts with someone with the disease and students in the same grade who were not close contacts.

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When we return to the classroom the same health and safety protocols established in our **Re-Entry Plan** will remain in place. These include the following:



Temperature check at the door.  
Anyone with a temperature of 100 degrees or more goes straight to the school nurse's office.  
All building have temperature scanning devices.



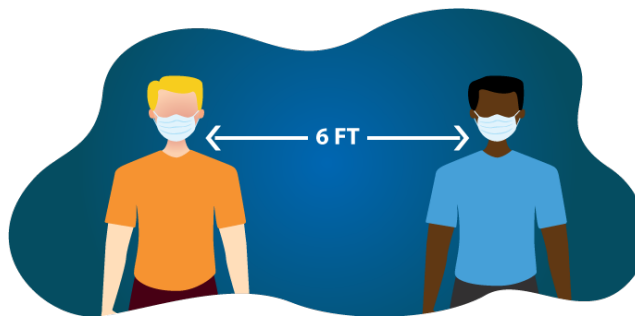
Every school building has a touchless hand washing station. Each station can do 120 hand washes in 10 minutes. That breaks down to 360 washes every half hour and 720 washes every hour.



Everyone is required to wear a mask or face covering. Coverings need to cover the mouth and nose.



Proper handwashing and applying hand sanitizer. Hand sanitizing dispensers are in the hallways.



Maintain Social Distance

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## MANDATED NOTICES

### **2021-2022 DISTRICT CALENDAR**

In accordance with Ohio Law, an open forum will be held as part of the January 26, 2021, regular meeting of the Board of Education regarding the district calendar for the upcoming 2021-2022 school year. Public input may be shared for consideration at this meeting

Board of Education Meeting  
January 26, 2021 - 6:00 p.m.  
Columbiana High School Media Center

### **SPECIAL EDUCATION CHILD-SEARCH**

In accordance with Public Law 93-380, all US school districts must conduct an annual search for children who have limited physical, emotional, visual, hearing, speech, or learning abilities that would make it difficult for them to learn in the regular classroom. If you know of such a child not currently attending school, please contact the Central Office Secretary at 330-482-5352. By law, all inquiries are treated confidentially.

### **PUBLIC VIEWS ON FUNDS FOR HANDICAPPED STUDENTS (IDEA-Part B)**

Public comment is solicited on proposed budget for the expenditure of IDEA-Part B funds granted to the Columbiana Exempted Village Schools under the provisions of Public Law 94-142, the Education of All Handicapped Act. These monies, commonly known as Flow-Thru funds, are to be used for the education of identified handicapped students. Each school district in Ohio is entitled to funds for every identified handicapped child served by the district. The money is used to provide services and buy equipment and materials. Please direct all budget proposals to the Superintendent at 700 Columbiana-Waterford Road, Columbiana OH 44408.

### **PUBLIC INPUT ON FEDERAL GRANT PROGRAM (TITLE I)**

Public views are sought on the proposed budget for the expenditure of Title I federal funds granted to the Columbiana Exempted Village Schools through the Ohio Department of Education. Title I monies have traditionally been used to provide remedial help for elementary and middle school students in mathematics and reading. Residents of the Columbiana Exempted Village School District are asked to please direct any budget proposals for Title I to Kimberly Sharshan, Title I Administrator, Joshua Dixon Elementary, 333 North Middle Street, Columbiana OH 44408.

### **POLICY OF NON-DISCRIMINATION**

The Columbiana Exempted Village School District does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, handicap, or religion in the educational programs and/or activities operated by the district. Insofar as employment opportunities, the district considers applicants for all positions without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, marital status, the presence of non-job-related medical condition or handicap, or any other legally protected status. The district is an equal opportunity employer. Nondiscrimination Coordinator: David Buzzard, Columbiana High School, 700 Columbiana-Waterford Road, Columbiana, OH 44408.

## **FERPA AND PPRA NOTICES**

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) affords parents and students over 18 years of age certain rights with respect to the student's education records. The Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment (PPRA) affords parents certain rights regarding our conduct of surveys, collection and use of information for marketing purposes, and certain physical exams. These rights are explained fully on the district website: [www.columbiana.k12.oh.us](http://www.columbiana.k12.oh.us). The links to FERPA and PPRA are on the right-hand side of the main page under "Additional Links."

## **PUBLIC RECORDS POLICY**

Please see our Public Records Policy via our website [www.columbiana.k12.oh.us](http://www.columbiana.k12.oh.us). Choose Bylaws and Policies under District on the main page>Operations>8310.

## **COMPLAINT COORDINATORS**

Jason Martin, South Side Middle School, 720 Columbiana-Waterford Road, Columbiana OH 44408

David Buzzard, Columbiana High School, 700 Columbiana-Waterford Road, Columbiana OH 44408

## **FOSTER CARE POINT OF CONTACT**

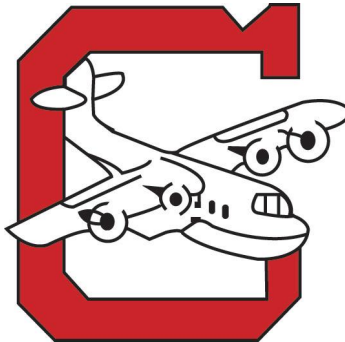
Kimberly Sharshan, Joshua Dixon Elementary, 333 North Middle Street, Columbiana OH 44408

## **HOMELESS COORDINATOR**

Don Mook, Columbiana Exempted Village Schools, 700 Columbiana-Waterford Road, Columbiana OH 44408

## **504 PLAN COMPLIANCE COORDINATOR**

Marci Freedy, Joshua Dixon Elementary, 333 North Middle Street, Columbiana OH 44408



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