

Richland R-IV School District

**Safe Return to
In-Person Instruction
and Continuity of
Services Plan**

(SRCSP)

About COVID 19

COVID-19 is a disease caused by a new strain of coronavirus linked to the same family of viruses as Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS) and some types of the common cold.

The virus is spread through respiratory or fomite transmission. Person-to-person respiratory transmission occurs through direct contact with respiratory droplets when small droplets from the nose or mouth of a person infected with COVID-19 are spread by coughing, sneezing, or exhaling. This happens most frequently among close contacts, usually within about 6 feet. These infected droplets can also land on objects and surfaces around the person infected with COVID-19. Individuals can then develop COVID-19 by touching these objects or surfaces (fomites), and then touching their eyes, nose, or mouth. The COVID-19 virus may survive on surfaces for many hours or days (3-72 hours depending on the type of surface), but simple disinfectants and soap and water can inactivate it.

The incubation period, the time between exposure to the virus and the development of first symptoms are between 1-14 days but most commonly about 5 days. Additionally, some people remain asymptomatic but are still able to spread the virus.

As with other respiratory infections, like the flu or the common cold, public health measures are critical to slow the spread of COVID-19. Public health measures are everyday preventive actions that include: staying home when sick; covering mouth and nose with flexed elbow or tissue when coughing or sneezing (dispose of used tissue immediately); washing hands often with soap and water; disinfecting frequently touched surfaces and objects. As we learn more about COVID-19 public health officials may recommend additional preventative measures.

Symptoms most commonly include fever, dry cough, fatigue, body aches, headaches, and shortness of breath. Other less common symptoms may include loss of smell or taste, sore throat, runny nose, nasal congestion, and diarrhea. In more severe cases, infection can cause pneumonia or breathing difficulties. More rarely the disease can be fatal, mainly among older people with pre-existing medical conditions such as diabetes, asthma, respiratory disease, cardiac disease, etc. The early symptoms of COVID-19 are similar to the flu (influenza) or the common cold, which are a lot more common than COVID-19. Testing is required to confirm if someone has COVID-19.

Fall Enrollment

In an effort to protect the safety, wellbeing and family circumstances of students, Richland School District will be providing the following options for fall enrollment for students:

Phase 3 Seated Classes: Schools are open, with precautions.

- All students will be in the seated classroom, five days a week.

- In the event of a confirmed case of COVID-19, it is possible that one or more classrooms may be temporarily closed while others remain open.
- Attendance will be taken in person and all students will be held accountable for their performance.
- Transportation to and from school will be provided in accordance with health department guidelines.
- Pick up and drop off procedures may be changed to allow for meeting health guidelines.
- The district will meet or exceed state and local COVID-19 sanitation guidelines.
- Regular health checks, such as temperature, respiratory symptoms screening, etc. may be enacted on a daily basis.
- Social distancing will be encouraged.
- Use of masks may be required in certain circumstances.
- Handwashing, respiratory etiquette, and other precautionary measures will be taught and implemented.
- Guidelines for admitting visitors to the building may become more stringent.
- Breakfast and lunch may need to be eaten in classrooms and/or in groups of fewer than 50, depending upon state and local guidelines.

Phase 2 Blended Learning: Schools are open, but under social distancing restrictions.

- Students in grades PK-6 will be seated in the classroom in our buildings; however, to maintain social distance, students will be divided into two groups and will attend school in person two days a week. This schedule option may need to be adapted to meet the needs of students,
 - On days that students in grades PK-6 are at home, students will be required to login and participate in online activities.
- A limited number of students with unique learning needs or situations in grades 7-12 will be invited to attend school in person where they will remain in one classroom all day. All other students in grades 7-12 will participate in online learning as outlined in Phase 1. This schedule option may need to be adapted to meet the needs of students,
- Students without the internet will use written packets.
- In the event of a confirmed case of COVID-19, it is possible that one or more classrooms may be temporarily closed while others remain open.
- Attendance will be taken in person and online and all students will be held accountable for their performance.
- Teachers will use a limited number of technology platforms to provide direct instruction.
 - The district will provide parent training and resources for the approved platforms.
- The district will meet or exceed state and local COVID-19 sanitation guidelines.
- Handwashing, respiratory etiquette and social distancing will be taught and implemented.
- Regular health checks, such as temperature, respiratory symptoms screening, etc. may be enacted on a daily basis.
- Use of masks may be required in certain circumstances.

- Transportation to and from school will be provided with restrictions and in accordance with health department guidelines. If possible, students and families are encouraged to provide their own transportation to and from school.
- If a parent experiences issues managing multiple students in the online environment or accessing the internet, the parent should contact their child(ren)'s school.
- Pick up and drop off procedures may be changed to allow for meeting health guidelines.
- Breakfast and lunch may need to be eaten in classrooms and or in groups of fewer than 50, depending upon state and local guidelines.

Phase 1 Online Learning: All school buildings are closed to students, but learning will continue.

- Online learning will occur for all students in grades PK-12.
- All courses will be taught by Richland R-IV teachers.
- Students will have a minimum of two days to complete an assignment.
- Students without access to the internet will use written packets.
- Students will be expected to:
 - Log in, be in attendance and participate in online learning and individual practice according to the schedule set up by their school.
 - Spend more time learning online to align with the state's new online learning expectations as compared to the district's expectations from March-May 2020.
- Teachers will use a limited number of technology platforms to provide direct instruction.
- A building-level schedule will be developed to avoid overlapping of online instructional sessions.
- The district will provide parent training and resources for the approved platforms.
- If a parent experiences issues managing multiple students in the online environment or accessing the internet, the parent should contact their child(ren)'s school.

MOCAP Virtual

Parents and students who select online/virtual enrollment will select from two options: Participation in a District-supported virtual instruction program through vendor Acellus. Or participation in the Missouri Course Access Program (**MOCAP**) virtual option, through an independent Department of Elementary and Secondary approved vendor.

Parents/students who select an online/virtual option and enroll through the school district will not have enrollment fees charged to the family/student. Enrollment and course fees, if enrolled through the district, will be assumed by the school district.

Parents/students who enroll in virtual courses independently, outside of the district's enrollment process, will be responsible for all enrollment costs and course fees.

Persons who select the **MOCAP** Virtual option will need to submit virtual enrollment forms 10 days before the first day of school. This will provide the District an opportunity to arrange student and class schedules, enroll students who select an online option, and prepare our buildings for student and staff arrival. Virtual/online enrollment forms will be available through each school's counselor's office for families to complete and submit to the District.

- Students must commit to a minimum of one full semester.
- Students are not allowed to enroll in additional courses even if the student completes a course(s) prior to the end of the semester. If a student does not complete or is not successful in a course, the student may not receive credit towards grade level completion or graduation.
- Students who enroll in virtual courses are required to take state-required MAP/EOC assessments administered by the district.
- Students who enroll in virtual courses and receive special education and/or related services (IEP services) must meet with the student's IEP team to determine special education and related services service delivery and placement options.
- School-based meals/food-service will not be provided for students who enroll in a virtual option.
- Students who select the District supported virtual option (Acellus) will be allowed to check-out a computer to use at home.
- Students who select **MOCAP** as the virtual provider will be responsible for securing their own technology and devices for virtual instruction.

Home Schooling

Education at home or another model sought out and provided by family.

Mitigation strategies

Mitigation Strategy	
Universal and correct wearing of masks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Masks allowed
Physical distancing (e.g., including use of cohorts/podding)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Consistent with CDC ● Students in cohorts with distancing ● Barriers, routing, and minimum distancing
Handwashing and respiratory etiquette	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Consistent with CDC ● Taught and reinforced ● Sanitizer and tissue provided

Cleaning and maintaining healthy facilities, including improving ventilation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Consistent with CDC ● Modified layouts ● Increased cleaning for high touch surfaces
Contact tracing in combination with isolation and quarantine, in collaboration with the State, local, territorial, or Tribal health departments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Consistent with CDC ● Contact tracing by LEA ● Contract tracing by the local public health authority (LPHA)
Diagnostic and screening testing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Testing provided onsite ● Testing available at LPHA or clinic
Efforts to provide vaccinations to educators, other staff, and students, if eligible	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● LEA sponsors vaccination events ● LEA participates in vaccination events
Appropriate accommodations for children with disabilities with respect to the health and safety policies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Accommodations as necessary or as mandated by Individual Education Plan

The District has identified the District School Nurse as the School-Point Person. In the event of possible exposure/symptoms, the District School Nurse will be notified immediately.

Extra-Curricular Activity

- Daily staff and student extracurricular attendance records will be maintained for all extracurricular activities.
- Large group gatherings will be eliminated (i.e. team-wide water breaks, etc.).
- There will be NO shared water bottles, towels, or clothing (i.e. practice jerseys, etc).
- All high touch/high use items will be sanitized after every practice.
- Before/after contests, teams will wave or tip their hat to show respect/sportsmanship.
- If a student, coach, or District employee in a MSHSAA sanctioned activity tests positive for Covid-19, the District will follow MSHSAA/CDC guidelines.
- The positive student-athlete will be required to complete the MSHSAA COVID-19 Return to Play Form. The District will take action to notify the public of exposure. If an individual is deemed in close contact, they will be notified by the local health department.
- Only students enrolled in 100% in-person learning will be eligible for extracurricular activities; provided the student-athlete meets and maintains MSHSAA eligibility guidelines.

children and family members of the staff member should self-quarantine at home for 14 days after the last day of exposure when the student/staff member has been subsequently diagnosed with COVID-19 (presumptive or by positive test);

- Consult with the Department of Health for any positive COVID-19 diagnoses to determine if any mitigation strategies are warranted, such as school closure.

This plan will have a periodic review every 6 month by the standing committee of students, parents, administrators, teachers, administration and other stakeholders.

Translation of this document is available by contacting the district office.