

USD 239 North Ottawa County

Operational Guidelines for 2021-2022



Masks

- Optional for students and staff.
- It is not optional in a school vehicle. Federal Law requires all staff and students to wear a mask while being transported in a school vehicle.
 - CDC Public Transportation Mandate (SD 1582/84-21-01A, <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/face-masks-public-transportation.html>) masks on all public transportation which includes school buses and all school transportation. (we were informed about this mandate on 8/05/2021)

Quarantine

- Positive case isolates for 10 days
- Close contact of an in-school positive case will monitor for symptoms and can stay in school as long as they are not having symptoms. (close contacts are considered with 3-feet of the positive case for more than ten minutes.)
- Close Contacts will be determined by the Ottawa County Health Department with the help of our school nurse.

Hygiene Measures

- Hand washing emphasis will continue
- Hand sanitizer will be available around the school
- STAY HOME WHEN FEELING ILL

Vaccinations to school communities

- USD 239 students and staff **will not be required to be vaccinated** for COVID-19 to attend school.
- We will provide information of our local vaccination providers for those who request it.

Accommodation for Children with Disabilities

- Students with an IEP, 504 Plan, and other documented student supports will have all appropriate accommodations and supports made available to them.

Coordination with State and Local Officials

- We will meet regularly with officials on the latest data and inform all stakeholders as needed.
- School-Related COVID-Data will once again be posted on our school website. www.usd239.org

Continuity of Services

- Academic Needs will be met through continued full-time, in person instruction. Summer learning opportunities were offered.
- Social, Emotional, and mental health needs will be met through social emotional curriculum and counselors
- Student health and food service needs will be available for all students. All students will have access to free breakfast and lunch daily as well as school nursing services.