

Little Maroons

Douglas and Lincoln School Building Opening Plan 2021-22

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Will be revised as needed.

Mission Statement

Douglas and Lincoln Schools are places where every child can learn; be fully engaged in a developmentally appropriate curriculum; and feel safe, nurtured and welcome.

***This plan builds upon the Clinton CUSD 15 School Opening Plan School Year 2021-22
That document is the foundation for the specific procedures outlined in this plan.***

Introduction

The specific procedures explained in the following pages were established from ISBE and IDPH guidance, the Clinton CUSD 15 School Opening Plan and the input of the Douglas/Lincoln School Planning Team consisting of the principal and teachers.

As noted in other guidance documents, as orders from the Governor and guidelines from ISBE and IDPH are adjusted it will require us to adjust this plan for compliance with those changes.

This plan will provide you with information specific to Douglas and Lincoln Schools.

ISBE Directives

All staff and students will wear face coverings when indoors

Social distancing in all areas as much as possible

Students and staff must be symptom free before entering building or buses

Increased cleaning and disinfection

ISBE Recommendations

In person learning following safety directives

Doors will open to students at 7:50

Instruction will begin at 8:30 daily and students will be dismissed at 3:05

Morning Preschool will be in session from 8:30-11:00 daily

Afternoon Preschool will be in session from 12:30-3:00 daily

Kindergarten UP time(recess) is at 11:10 followed by lunch at 11:45

First Grade Up time(recess) is at 11:45 followed by lunch at 12:20

Important Procedures:

All persons entering the building will wear a face mask that covers the nose and mouth. ONLY staff and students will be allowed in the buildings. Only ESSENTIAL visitors will be admitted based on the Principal's discretion.

If a child is being picked up from school early, we will bring the child out to meet you.
If a child arrives late we will meet you to escort them into the building.

Digital copies of documents will be used as much as possible.

Students will be with their specific class of students throughout the day as much as possible.

No large group in-person gatherings will be held including Open House, Orientation, Assemblies, etc....

Both schools will provide bottled water for staff and students and water fountains will be covered or turned off.

Lunch will be eaten in the cafeteria with classes grouped together and students will have assigned seating.

Lunch tickets will not be utilized and a checklist will be maintained indicating which students had a meal that day. Sack lunches from home are acceptable.

Handwashing opportunities will be provided for students,
Hand sanitizer will be used only with adults administering the sanitizer and monitoring proper use by the child.

Families dropping off students and picking up students must wait in their cars. Staff members will gather students from the vehicles in the morning and bring them into the building. At dismissal, staff will escort students to the vehicle. Please share this info with whoever will be dropping off and picking up your child.

Lincoln School drop off and pick up is on Jackson Street
Douglas School drop off and pick up is on Washington Street

Bus loading/unloading for Lincoln School is on White Street
Bus loading/unloading for Douglas School is on Main Street

Student Procedures

Students who arrive before 8:00 will be grouped by classes to wait in the gym area. At 8:00 students will go to their classroom. Students will be using the lockers on a staggered schedule and in small groups to maintain distance between the students at the lockers.

Breakfast will be offered for students and will be served in a socially distanced manner. The area used for eating will be cleaned and disinfected and the students will either wash hands in the bathroom or use hand sanitizer before and after their meal. A staff member will monitor the students during breakfast. If your student needs to eat breakfast at school, please be sure they arrive by 8:15 so they can get to class on time.

Each classroom will have a scheduled time for using the bathroom and washing hands throughout the day. This schedule will minimize hallway and restroom congestion. Since we deal with young children, if a student needs to use the restroom in an emergency situation, they will be allowed to access the restroom outside of the specific classroom time. (Please have your student use the restroom and wash their hands before they come to school in the morning.)

If a student becomes ill at school or indicates a temperature of 100 degrees or higher. The CUSD 15 Health Protocols will be implemented. These protocols are on the district website and contained in the Clinton CUSD 15 Opening Plan. A sick bay area will be set up in each office to be used in the event a child becomes ill during the day. It is imperative that sick students are picked up from school promptly.

Students will stay with their classroom pod of students throughout the day as much as possible. Students will use their own individual supplies and if materials must be shared hand cleaning and materials cleaning will take place immediately after use of the items.

Students will wear masks throughout the day as a means of keeping safe when in the hallway, restrooms and lockers. Hallway traffic and student movement around the building will be minimized as much as possible.

Students will only be allowed in the office area if they are sick. School staff will dispense medications at the classroom door, and bring ice packs or other first aid items as needed to the classroom upon the request of the teacher or teaching assistant.

Teachers and teaching assistants will develop specific routines in the classroom for mask breaks, social distancing, restroom use, handwashing, locker use and other needed procedures.

The first few weeks of school will be focused on getting back into routines, developing social skills and learning about each other. This will help build a sense of safety and connection for each student. Academic skills will be assessed through the use of skills checklists and Aimsweb for math and literacy. Social skills will be supported through the use of Rusty May School Tools TV and other strategies as needed for emotional and behavioral support. We have on staff specialist teachers

specifically designated to support students' academic and social emotional needs as they are identified.

Arrival and Dismissal

Families dropping off students and picking up students must wait in their cars. Staff members will gather students from the vehicles in the morning and bring them into the building. At dismissal, staff will escort students to the vehicle.

Bus students will be assigned a location to wait for the bus keeping the students socially distanced and in small groups.

Students who are picked up from school will wait with their classroom and teacher, and will be escorted by staff to the vehicles. This process will take longer than the normal pick up routine, so please be patient during this process.

Before and After School (YZone)

The Y will continue the before and after school care for kindergarten and first grade students. The location of Y Zone will be at Lincoln School. The Y team has developed specific procedures for the program. Sign up for the Y Zone is done through the Y 935-8307.

Preschool Specific

Preschool students will attend school for 2.5 hours a day.

Preschool students will be expected to wear a mask during the time they are in school.

This plan is a developing document and as items need to be adjusted, we will alert you to those changes.

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