

## El Reno Public Schools Safe Return to School Guide 2021 - 2022 (updated 01/03/2022)

### **Masks**

*Oklahoma State Law prohibits mask requirements in public schools unless a state of emergency is declared by the Governor.*

*ERPS will continue to strongly recommend students and staff wear masks while indoors on campus in accordance with CDC and Oklahoma State Department of Health guidance.*

### **Monitor for Symptoms**

*It is necessary for parents and guardians to screen their child each day before they leave for school.*

*Any student who demonstrates symptoms of COVID 19 including Headache, Fever, Sore Throat, Runny or Stuffy Nose, Cough, or Loss of Smell or Taste should remain home. Parents should consider COVID testing as necessary and report any positive COVID Test to the school. If a COVID Test is taken, please remain at home until results are known*

### **Isolation and Quarantine**

*Any student or faculty who tests positive for COVID must remain home in isolation for 5 days from the onset of symptoms or 5 days from the date of the positive test if asymptomatic. Students and faculty may return to school after 5 days if their symptoms are improving and they are 24 hours fever free.*

*Students and faculty who are direct close contacts of a positive COVID case will be notified and recommended to quarantine. Quarantine will be 5 days from the last point of exposure. The exposed should monitor for symptoms during this time and should consider testing if symptoms appear.*

*Parents should contact the school if students are exposed outside of the school setting.*

### **Site Guests and Visitors**

*All ERPS facilities will be available for activities and assemblies as approved by the district administration.*

*Guests and Visitors will be allowed at each site in the entry vestibules and main office for necessary school business including student attendance and checkout. Other appointments at the sites should be scheduled through school administration.*

### **Activities and Athletic Events**

*ERPS Athletic Competitions will be held as normal while continuing to monitor our COVID conditions. All indoor spectators are encouraged to wear a mask while attending.*

### **Sanitation and Cleaning**

*All ERPS buildings, classrooms, and buses are cleaned and sanitized daily. Buses are cleaned and sanitized between routes.*

### **Mitigation Strategies**

*Social Distancing will continue to be stressed where possible. Students and staff are encouraged to maintain appropriate space in hallways, classrooms, lunchrooms, and other areas that will allow.*

*Handwashing is also encouraged frequently and hand sanitizer is available throughout schools.*

### **Vaccinations**

*State Law also prohibits requiring students and staff to receive a COVID Vaccination prior to attending school. However, the CDC and Oklahoma State Department of Health recommend the vaccine for those who are eligible.*

### **Food Service**

*Breakfast and lunch will continue to be free for all students in 2021-2022. Please fill out the free and reduced lunch form.*