

Kim School District: Returning to School Plan for 2021-2022

Collaborate With Local Public Health Dept.

The Kim School District will continue to work with the Las Animas County Health Department through the guidance of our school nurse.

- Face Coverings will be optional
- Temperature Checks are No Longer Required
- Parents will be asked to screen their child before sending to school. Teachers will however, continue to check temperature of students that are showing signs of illness while at school. Students will continue to be sent home when a fever of 100.4 is recorded.

COVID Immunizations are Not Mandatory

- Kim School District will continue to provide information to the community about COVID immunization opportunities as a courtesy for those who wish to access the vaccine. However, the COVID immunization will not be required for staff or students. Contact Las Animas County Health Dept. if you wish to seek vaccination for yourself or your children.
- The Health Department strongly recommends vaccinations but they are not required.

Quarantines

- Should a student or staff member test positive for COVID, or show symptoms commonly associated with COVID after being exposed to a positive test, they will be asked to isolate for 10 days. Those students considered in close contact will have the option of “test to stay”
- Kim School District will work to make COVID testing more accessible for symptomatic students/staff.

Physical Distancing Not Required

- The District may make adjustments to provide the safest setting as needed.

Visitors in Kim School District/Facilities Permitted on Limited Basis

In the 2021-2022 school year, visitors will be permitted in schools on a limited basis. School may limit the maximum number at any time when deemed necessary. Face coverings will not be required for visitors, however, they may wear one if they are more comfortable doing so. Visitors are asked not come into the building if they are showing symptoms of COVID-19.

Personal Hygiene

- Kim School District will continue to encourage good personal hygiene, such as reminding students to wash hands after using the restroom, before meals, etc., and provide access to hand sanitizer stations.

Disinfection

- Touchpoints (i.e. doorknobs, light switches, etc.) will continue to be disinfected throughout all buildings on a daily basis.
- School buses will continue to be disinfected daily.
- Teachers and staff will continue to have access to disinfectant supplies, including disinfecting spray, to clean high-touch areas regularly if desired.

Remote Learning

- The remote learning options that were available during the 20 – 21 year due to COVID-19 will not be available during the 21 – 22 year.
- Remote learning will be available to those students that are quarantined or in isolation.

Field Trips Resume

- Field trips, including out-of-state trips, will resume in 2021-2022. Careful planning will take place to ensure a safe environment for the trips.

Athletics and Activities Resume as Normal

- Athletics and activities will resume normal processes in 2021-2022 in partnership with CHSAA and governing bodies. The district will work with local public health officials to determine public health protocols for activity participation and game protocols.

Summary

The Kim School District will continue to encourage families to keep students at home when showing symptoms of illness. When children or staff members feel ill they should stay home until symptoms subside.

The district will continue to monitor the COVID situation and will make adjustments to our protocols in accordance with local health department recommendations and in the best interest of our students and staff.

The district would like to thank all parents, and stakeholders for your continued patience and working with us as we have navigated through the COVID pandemic. We look forward to returning to our regular school protocols in the upcoming 21 – 22 school year.

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