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# Crowley County School District Re 1-J

# In-Person Instruction Procedures & Plan for August 2021

Crowley County School District is committed to maximizing in-person learning in as safe and healthy way as possible. As we return to

Traditional In-Person Instruction, we will continue to make adjustments as necessary. We are taking additional precautions, but nothing

can completely prevent COVID-19 or any other illnesses or injuries (Flu, Strep, Injury, etc.). We continue to ask for your cooperation and

understand there could still be changes and/or disruptions that might occur over time. **EVERYTHING is subject to change!** Our successful return to 'Normal' depends on EVERYONE doing their part to follow current guidelines and practices - Parents, Students, Staff, and Community - to the best of their abilities every day!

**Public Health Info** - Crowley County School District Re 1-J, in communication with Otero County and Crowley County Health Department, prepared the following Plan for Returning to In-Person Instruction for the 2021-22 school year. The contents were developed in an effort to provide explanations and guidance. As health orders change, the procedures may also change.

## **August 2021 CDPHE Requirements**

- Health Screening BEFORE coming to school or getting on a bus see specifics below
  - o https://drive.google.com/file/d/lrM77eLlnivcOuoqv0zy0pXXtjnY-fREN/view
- Respiratory Etiquette Hand washing, cleaning, disinfecting, etc.
- Isolation for Individuals with a Positive Test result <a href="https://covid19.colorado.gov/how-to-isolate">https://covid19.colorado.gov/how-to-isolate</a>
  - o Stay away from others until
- No fever for at least 24 hours without using medicine that reduces fevers AND
  - All other symptoms have improved AND
  - At least 10 days have passed since your symptoms first appeared
- Masks when accessing Public Transportation (Federal Guideline)
  - o https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/face-masks-public-transportation.html#faq

#### August 2021 CDPHE Recommendations (Not Requirements)

- Vaccinations for those age 12 and older
- Masks/Facecovering when indoors for anyone age 2 or older

#### Quarantine of large groups for Routine Classroom Exposures

- The state recommends counties, schools, and individuals that meet any of the below metrics shift to a transmission control strategy, with quarantine not required for routine classroom exposures.
  - o County-wide at least 70% of people aged 12 and older with at least one COVID-19 vaccination OR
    - As of 8-3-2021 Crowley County rate is 41 %
  - o At least 70% of staff and students 12 and older with at least one COVID-19 vaccination OR
    - Unknown
  - o County-wide no more than 35 cases per 100,000 population per 7 days OR
    - In Crowley County that represents 3 or more cases in Crowley County within 7 days.
  - o At least 70% of unvaccinated staff and students participating in weekly testing OR
    - We will get permission from parents to determine if this is feasible.



- o Fully vaccinated (two weeks after last recommended vaccine dose) OR
- o Previously positive in the past 90 days OR
- o Both parties wearing a mask at the time of exposure

## • Crowley County Strategies for Transmission Control

- o We will follow the requirements
- o We will ask staff and students to wear masks if cases exceed 35 per 100,000 (Blue Level)
- o We will enforce masks if 2 or greater within a cohort for 14 days within a building
- o The District will ask parents to do 70% serial testing, if so this exempts the District from most quarantine requirements.
- o The District will follow the Prevention Strategies as outlined by CDC.
- o The District will follow other protocols as guided by Crowley/Otero County Health Department.
- CDPHE's guidance 'could' treat 'high exertion' activities (Band, Choir, PE, Athletics, etc.) differently!
  - o Quarantines of sports teams could potentially be reinstated for non-vaccinated individuals
- Full Vaccination is the Only 'Guaranteed' Way for Individuals to Avoid Potential Quarantine
  - o Vaccination is NOT required for attendance and/or participation!

NOTE - In the event of increased cases and/or outbreaks, the requirements could change as per Otero/Crowley County Health Dept!

## Home Health Screening - WE NEED YOUR BEST EFFORTS & ATTENTION TO THIS PART!!!!

- PARENTS/FAMILIES MUST PROVIDE PRIMARY SCREENING ON A DAILY BASIS
  - o BEFORE sending your student(s) to school, please ensure ALL OF THE FOLLOWING
    - NO FEVER (100+) WITHOUT MEDICATION for at least 24 hours
    - NO OTHER SYMPTOMS exist Shortness of Breath, Persistent Cough, etc.
    - No recent, non-reported COVID-19 diagnosis
    - No recent contact with anyone diagnosed with COVID-19
    - No recent individual or family member travel to a "hot spot"

## o Students who do not meet EVERY CRITERIA above, should not attend school

- Parents MUST contact the office and provide as much info as possible
- o Students who do meet every criterion above may attend school as usual
- Staff will conduct CURSORY SECONDARY SCREENING when students arrive at school or get on a bus
  - o Students who appears to be ill, display illness symptoms, or is suspected of having a fever:
    - Student will be isolated & symptom checked by staff member(s)
      - Students will be asked to verify Primary Screening criteria
      - Students with fever or other symptoms will be sent home
        - o Parents will be contacted & Student will remain isolated until picked up/released
      - Students without fever or other illness/symptoms will remain at school
  - o ANY STAFF MEMBER may refer student(s) who appear ill for additional screening
    - May also refuse admittance onto a bus or into a building!
- Traditional In-Person Instruction Students attend classes on-campus as scheduled on a daily basis
  - o No Third party Online option will be available for the upcoming year.
  - o **Remote Learning** Only in the event of Health Department orders restricting Traditional In-Person Instruction.
  - o Would be School-wide or Large Group ONLY NO Individual Remote Learning Options

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- o Teachers would provide instruction & Students would be expected to participate remotely
- o Students would be responsible for ALL ASSIGNED WORK, ALL DUE DATES, ETC.
- o Additional details would be released as the situation warranted
  - Transportation, Food Service, Extra-Curricular Activities, etc.

#### **Communications**

- The district will continue to utilize its normal methods of communication, including, but not limited to:
  - o Appetgy, using this app to help communicate directly to your computer or cell phone. More information on this will be coming your way.
  - o Facebook Elementary and JH/HS pages
  - o Elementary Homeroom Teachers and/or Secondary Early Dismissal Group Teachers

### • IT IS VITAL THAT ALL HOUSEHOLD CONTACT INFORMATION IS UP TO DATE!

- o To Update Address, Phone Numbers, Email Address, etc.
  - Contact your student(s) office: Primary (K-3rd) 267-3558, Ward Intermediate (4th-6th) 267-9880 Junior/Senior High 267-3582

