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20-21 Utopia Schools On-Campus Safety Procedures

Utopia ISD faculty and staff are excited about returning to face to face instruction this week and we have been hard at work preparing for the teaching and learning that will take place in our school! We are also preparing for the safe return of our students and staff. UISD is committed to making decisions using the latest guidance from the Texas Education Agency (TEA), the University Interscholastic League (UIL), the Center for Disease Control (CDC), state/local officials and our families.

Below is a list of safety protocols that will be in place during the school day.

- Parents screen students daily for COVID-19 symptoms prior to the student coming to school or getting on the bus. Parents will initial the UTOPIA ISD CHILD HEALTH ATTESTATION form found in the student's homeroom folder every morning before sending the student to school. COVID-19 symptoms are:
 - Feeling feverish or a measured temperature greater than or equal to 100.0° F
 - Loss of taste or smell
 - Cough, difficulty breathing or shortness of breath
 - Fatigue
 - Headache
 - Chills
 - Sore throat
 - Congestion or runny nose
 - Shaking or exaggerated shivering
 - Significant muscle pain or ache
 - Diarrhea, nausea or vomiting
- Teachers will go through the same screening/certification process checking for COVID-19 symptoms daily.
- Masks - UISD will follow federal, state and local guidelines for wearing face masks. In accordance with current state requirements staff and students will wear masks on the bus, during passing periods and any time social distancing is not an option. Wearing of masks during PE and Athletic activities will follow UIL guidelines.

- Students are encouraged to bring a refillable, closeable water bottle from home (clearly marked with the student's name). There will be several water bottle refill stations on campus. Water fountains will be turned off.
- Bus riders - students will wear masks and sit in separate seats (except for family members). Bus drivers will wear a mask. All buses will be sanitized after each route.
- Classrooms/labs/equipment will be cleaned between each period or when changing work stations.
- Agriculture Science Classes- students will be issued their own pair of safety glasses.
- Lunches -
 - Cafeteria floors will be marked every 6 feet for students to social distance while in line.
 - Tables and chairs will be arranged to maintain distancing guidelines.
 - Additional seating will be available outside.
 - Visitors are not permitted to eat meals on campus with students.
 - Grab and Go lunch available to online students daily at designated pick up time/area.
 - UISD is a closed campus and students are not permitted to leave campus during lunch.
 - Parents signing out students must be done in person. Any student returning to campus must be rescreened for COVID-19 symptoms.
 - UISD will allow local restaurants to make 1 daily delivery of food to the campus. Meals must be pre-ordered and paid for ahead of time. Parents/students must arrange the food order on their own.
- Athletics/PE - will follow UIL and District 31A guidelines.
 - All student athletes will have their temperature taken daily.
 - Students must wear a mask when not exercising.
 - All students will maintain social distancing and work in small groups (10 people or less).
 - Equipment will be sanitized between uses.
- Athletic Events at UISD
 - Participants will be allowed 4 spectators each.
 - Spectators will have their temperature taken before entering the facility.
 - All spectators must wear a face covering while in the gyms.

- Spectators will be expected to follow social distancing while in the bleachers.
- Recess - UISD maintains that playtime and fresh air are important to our students. During recess hand sanitizer will be provided before and after play. Playground monitors will encourage social distancing and all equipment will be sanitized after recesses.
- There will be limited sharing of school supplies. Items that must be shared will be sanitized between uses.
- Sanitation efforts will be increased in all areas of the school, buses and outdoor areas. Cleaning, sanitation, and disinfection will take place throughout the day and after school.
- Visitations to our campus will be limited to the Principal's secretary's office only. Any guests entering the building must be prescreened for COVID-19 symptoms. Visitors to campus will remain in the office until departure from campus. There will be no classroom visits permitted.
- Classroom celebrations are a special time for our students. Any food items donated for these events must be individually pre-package. Home-made snacks are not permitted.
- If a student becomes symptomatic during school hours they will be referred to the school's health professional who will isolate the student and contact the parent for pick up.
- Positive COVID-19 cases will be isolated and transitioned to remote instruction until cleared by the student's physician. A positive COVID-19 case does not necessarily mean that face-to-face instruction will be discontinued for the entire student body.
 - Click on the link to read more about [UISD COVID-19 Student Quarantine Protocol](#).