



Noble Public Schools

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Good Afternoon Noble Public Schools,

Now that we have completed Week #1 of the 2020-2021 school year, we want to update you on what our week has been. Students, teachers, and all staff members, have been working together to provide a safe return to school for everyone. It is an honor and a privilege to serve our Noble Bear Community. To see the joy on the faces of our students and teachers every day, it is very rewarding!

We are practicing Social Distancing as much as we possibly can. All staff are wearing face coverings when around anyone else. Pre-K-5th grade are required to have a mask with them at all times and are masking when unable to Socially Distance. We are requiring masking at 6th-12th grade levels at all times, and we are all masking when in transit, whether that be on the bus, walking in the halls, moving from place to place, or doing things that prevent us from keeping our distance. We are continuing to clean and sanitize at every available opportunity. We have purchased PPE for everyone. We are also using our UVC machine to provide additional virus protection for our classrooms. Our bus drivers are cleaning their buses, our custodians are keeping our restroom facilities and buildings clean, our child nutrition workers are cleaning our kitchens and dining areas. Together, we are committed to making this year a success.

To date, we have two confirmed student positives. We also have 15 students that are being monitored at home due to potential exposure from outside sources. We have quarantined one classroom at the request of the Cleveland County Health Department. We have one additional classroom that is awaiting results from the CCHD Contact Tracing to determine what steps will need to be taken.

We had one teacher that tested positive during the summer, and was quarantined during the time leading up to the beginning of school. We have also had one teacher that tested positive and was quarantined during the Professional Development Days previous to school. We have four employees that are currently on quarantine due to a family member testing positive for COVID-19.

We understand that this situation will continue to manifest itself throughout the school year. We are asking once again for your help and support. Please check with your students every day including checking their temperature, before you send them to school. If you have any indication that your child may be sick, please keep them at home. We are working with all families to provide a quality education while maintaining a healthy learning environment.

We are also working to remedy any technology problems concerning our Virtual Education Program. We are in the process of checking out Chromebooks to all students should we need to move to a fully virtual program at any time. Please remember that we must have your Technology Agreement and Free & Reduced Lunch Application in order to check those out to your students. We know that we have had a few issues, but we are working with our administrators and IT staff, to make those problems disappear. We are still waiting on delivery of our Hot Spots to assist those in need of connectivity. They were promised to be here on August 15th, so hopefully we will receive them any day.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve your children! We consider it an honor and will do everything we can to deliver. Go Bears!

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