



ELGIN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

SAFE RETURN & CONTINUITY OF SERVICES 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR

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Calendar

- We will have a traditional school year calendar. It is posted on the school website.
- Students will attend school on campus.

Transportation

- Parents are encouraged to bring their child to school.
- We encourage parents to check the student's temperature prior to sending them to the bus.
- We count on the parents to decide if the student is healthy enough to board the bus.

Temperature Screenings

- While many options for screening were considered, i.e. at the door, in the classroom, or on an as needed basis, we feel the best option for screening begins at home.
- Do not send students to school sick/ with a temperature of 100° or more.
- If a student is sent home with a temperature, parent should not send the student back until fever free for 24 hours (The student must be fever free without Tylenol, Motrin, or other medication)

COVID-19 Screening

- The school will have communication with State health officials, Comanche County health Department and tribal health officials to determine any need for COVID-19 protocols.
- COVID-19 testing is greatly encouraged for anyone who has symptoms.
- The Comanche County Health Department will facilitate communication with the school & community should a student or staff member test positive.

Masks

- In compliance with Senate Bill 658, masks will not be required unless Comanche County is declared a state of emergency and in consultation with the county and state health departments.

Social Distancing

- Social distancing will be encouraged when space allows.
- Students will not be restricted to their pod or "family."

Cleaning

- Electrostatic sprayers will be used in classrooms and on buses as needed especially during flu season.

Respiratory Etiquette

- HVAC air filters will be changed regularly, we will open windows where safely possible, and allow for student/staff to take breaks outside in an effort to improve air quality.

Hand Sanitizer

- Hand sanitizer will be available and encouraged for use.
- Hand washing will be encouraged.

Students with Disabilities

- Students with disabilities will be provided services based upon their IEP or 504 educational plan.

Contact Tracing

- Sites will track the number of positive Covid-19 cases reported.
- Contact tracing will not take place unless directed by the county health department.

Vaccinations and Testing

- Vaccinations are encouraged but not required for those eligible.

Virtual Meetings

- Virtual Parent/Teacher conferences will be offered to parents who cannot or choose not to attend in person.
- Virtual IEP/504 meetings will be offered to parents who cannot attend in person.

Parents, Guests and Visitors

- Visitors and guests will be allowed in the building for programs and other special events.

Field Trips and Travel

- Field trips and travel will be allowed based on the restrictions that were in place pre-Covid-19.

Lunches

- Students will eat in the cafeteria and resume lunches as they were prior to Covid-19.
- Guests at lunch will be limited to special occasions set by the school.

Start times

- School start times will remain the same as they have always been

Elgin Public Schools will remain in contact & continue to seek advice from state & local health departments as well as the CDC.

Please, contact Superintendent Nate Meraz with any questions at (580) 492-3663, or by email at nmeraz@elginps.net