

**2022-2023**  
**Ohio Community Schools (District #17 & #505)**

Funds available through the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act require that Ohio School District #17 & #505 develop a *Plan for Safe Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Services*. Our plan is developed through meaningful consultation with students, parents, school and district administrators, teachers, school staff, food service staff, transportation service staff, union representatives, and the Bureau county health department. School mitigation strategies in this plan may be altered based upon local conditions, levels of community transmission (i.e., low, moderate, substantial, or high), local vaccine coverage, use of screening testing to detect cases in K-12 schools, and consultation with Bureau county public health officials to determine if additional prevention strategies are needed.

**Face Coverings**

- Masks are **recommended, not required**.

**School Day**

- School begins Wednesday, August 17<sup>th</sup>.
- Our goal is to continue providing in person instruction.
- Before and after school programming will be available through the 21st Century Learning Program.
- The regular school day is from 8 AM to 3 PM.
- Grade School students may be dropped off on the playground starting at 7:40 AM.
- High School students may enter at the front, main entrance starting at 7:40 AM.
- Breakfast and lunch are available for purchase.

**Preventative Measures**

- Upgraded all classroom HVAC systems to include air conditioning.
- Continue cleaning/disinfecting mitigation practices and replacing HVAC filters.
- Frequent handwashing and hand sanitizer available in classrooms, offices and hallways.
- Minimize close contacts with others.
- Limit individuals in the bathroom.

**Social Distancing**

- Ohio Schools will social distance to the best of our ability.

**Daily Symptom Screen**

- Stay at home if any symptoms are present. Medical evaluation and testing are strongly recommended for all persons with COVID like symptoms:
  - Fever (over 100.3)
  - Chills
  - Cough
  - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
  - Fatigue
  - Muscle or body aches
  - Headache
  - New loss of taste or smell
  - Sore throat
  - Congestion
  - Nausea or vomiting
  - Diarrhea

**COVID Screening**

- Individuals who present symptoms while at school will be sent to the office.
- A parent or guardian will be contacted to arrange pick up for the student.
- Covid testing with parental/guardian consent is available.
- Covid positive test result requires a 5 day quarantine from symptom onset.
- Covid negative or no Covid test, stay home until symptom free for 24 hours.
- Masking recommended for 5 days, not required, after quarantine is complete for a Covid positive test.