

Western School Corporation
2021-2022 School Year
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COVID-19 Quick Reference Sheet

This reference sheet is meant to be a quick reference for staff, students, parents/guardians and other school community members in regards to COVID-19 expectations and restrictions. For the full Re-Entry Plan please visit www.western.k12.in.us. NOTE: This guidance may be changed if guidance from local, state or federal officials warrant a change.

SCHOOL CALENDAR	The Western School Corporation will begin school on time. Our first student day is August 11, 2021. There may be times during the school year that we might have to move to eLearning due to COVID-19. We will give as much advanced notice as possible if this is warranted. We will continue to utilize eLearning for inclement weather and previously scheduled days.
WATCHING YOUR HEALTH	Parents/guardians and students are responsible for monitoring his or her health. Close attention should be paid to COVID-19 symptoms. Should a student or staff member develop COVID-19 symptoms during the school day, they will be required to isolate in the designated area in each school building.
VACCINATED PEOPLE	Any person who is fully vaccinated and has been exposed to a COVID positive person is not required to quarantine as long as the person remains asymptomatic.
MASKS	Effective September 13, 2021, masks are required indoors in all K-12 Western School Corporation buildings regardless of vaccination status or having COVID in the past 90 days. This includes staff, students and visitors. Additionally, per CDC, masks are required on buses. Students and staff are required to wear masks on buses during field trips, athletic trips, etc. Masks are not required in outdoor settings.
SOCIAL DISTANCING	Schools will do their very best to socially distance students but this may not be possible at all times during the day. Students may participate in group work and/or sit at tables this year. Students, staff and visitors who are able to spread out 6 feet, may take their mask off for mask breaks. Those individuals alone in their classroom or offices may remove their masks as long as no one is within 6 feet of the person.
TRANSPORTATION	Students will still have assigned seating while on the buses. Per the CDC, masks are required on buses.
VISITORS TO BUILDINGS	Visitors to the buildings will be limited based on the principal's discretion except for during lunch. Due to limited seating and social distancing, visitors during lunch time are not permitted. Masks are required for visitors regardless of vaccination status or having COVID in the past 90 days.
NUTRITION/WATER	Meals will be safely prepared for students and staff. Meals will be available for breakfast and lunch. Principals will decide specific procedures during both breakfast and lunch. Sharing of food is prohibited. Water bottle filling stations will be available for both student and staff use.
CLEANING AND STERILIZING	Our staff will work diligently to ensure that our buildings are disinfected and cleaned on a daily basis.
ISOLATION/QUARANTINE	Isolation is still required for any person who tests positive for COVID-19. Quarantine is required for those individuals who are deemed a close contact and are unmasked. **Note those who are vaccinated or had COVID in the last 90 days are required to wear a mask but if deemed a close contact and unmasked they are not required to quarantine unless they become symptomatic.