# ONE COMMUNITY... ONE FAMILY



# SCEC RETURN TO SCHOOL PLAN 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR



# SCHOOL CITY OF EAST CHICAGO

#### MASKS

- Masks will be REQUIRED for the 2021-2022 school year for all students and staff within the school setting.
- Masks are not required for recess and other outdoor activities, if you can physically distance.
- Masks MUST be worn on buses, as per Federal mandate.





#### SOCIAL DISTANCING & CLASSROOM ENVIRONMENT

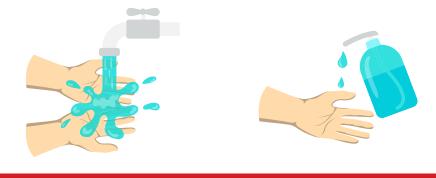
- Social Distancing of 3 feet is recommended in all areas of the building.
- Frequent cleaning of surfaces, tables, doors, restrooms and shared equipment will continue.
- Seating charts will be maintained in classrooms to monitor and address any students that may be identified as close contacts. Dividers will be available to create physical barriers in all classrooms.



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#### HYGIENE

- Wash hands frequently with soap and water at least 20 seconds.
- Hand sanitizer stations will be available at building entrance and common areas such as cafeterias. Hand sanitizer will be available in each classroom.



### WATER

- Water fountains will remain closed for the 2021-2022 school year.
- Elementary students are encouraged to bring their own water (water bottles should be clearly labeled). Secondary students will be given a bottle of water in the morning and afternoon on a daily basis.





### **EXTRACURRICULAR EVENTS**

- Social distancing of 3 feet is recommended.
- Masks are required (Masks will follow the tier of color on our COVID-19 Summary Plan).
- Events hosted with precautions per City of East Chicago Ordinance. (Events will follow the tier of color on our COVID-19 Summary Plan).

# FIELD TRIPS, VOLUNTEERS & VISITORS

- Field Trips: Field trips may be limited, based on the level of COVID spread in the community.
- Volunteers: Volunteers must wear a face mask at all times and practice social distancing.
- Visitors: Visitors who must enter the school (for example, to pick up student) must report to the main office. Masks are required for all visitors.

## **CONTACT TRACING**

Those who have experienced symptoms should get tested and may return after day 14 of quarantine and are symptom free without medications.



### **MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION**

#### **Diagnostic and screening testing and vaccinations**

Per federal and state guidelines testing and vaccinations are widely available at local pharmacies and health care providers.

#### Local and state health officials

District administration will continue to collaborate with local and state health officials and make updates to re-entry plans throughout the 2021-2022 school year.

#### Students needing accommodations due to Covid-19

Appropriate accommodations for children with identified medical needs to be addressed through building administrators on a case by case basis.

## **MITIGATION MEASURES**

Lessons learned: Proven and effective strategies for stopping the spread of COVID-19



Sick students & staff must remain home with COVID-19 symptoms

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Masks (required)



Maintain social distancing (3 feet)



Wash hands often



Follow all posted signage



### **ARRIVAL TO SCHOOL**

- Bring fully charged device and any other instructional materials
- **Facial covering (Required)**
- **Use designated arrival entrances**
- Maintain 3 feet of distance from others at all times during school

# FACILITY SAFETY

- Increased daily cleaning protocols in accordance with CDC and OSHA guidelines.
- Increased cleaning of restrooms and commonly touched surfaces such as doorknobs, railings, sinks, countertops, etc.
- Hallways and stairways designated as one-way or directional marked for traffic flow.

# First day of school will be on Monday, August 16, 2021

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COVID Spread in City of East Chicago	Low Community Spread	Moderate Community Spread	Moderate to High Community Spread	High Community Spread
Schedule	Students attend school 5 days a week, in-person	Students attend school 5 days a week, in person	Students attend school 5 days a week, in person, unless staffing cannot be maintained or Health Department advises closure	Students attend school 5 days a week, in person, unless staffing cannot be maintained or Health Department advises closure
Face Coverings	Face coverings optional. Recommended for any non- vaccinated individuals	Face coverings <b>required</b> . Recommended per the East Chicago Health Department.	Face coverings <b>required</b> . Recommended per the East Chicago Health Department.	Face coverings <b>required</b> . Recommended per the East Chicago Health Department.
Physical Distancing	Physical distancing is encouraged when possible.	Physical distancing of 3 feet is encouraged when possible.	Physical distancing of 3 feet encouraged at all times	Physical distancing of 3 feet encouraged at all times
Transportation	Masks required per Federal law, then optional unless law is extended. Field trips permitted.	Masks required per Federal law, then optional unless law is extended. Field trips permitted.	Masks required per Federal law, then optional unless law is extended. Field trips limited.	Masks required per Federal law, then optional unless law is extended. Field trips limited.
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Visitors	Face coverings optional. Recommended for any non- vaccinated individuals	Face coverings <b>required</b> .	Visitors may be limited. Face coverings <b>required</b> .	Only essential visitors allowed. Face coverings <b>required</b> .
<b>Events</b>	Events hosted at full capacity.	Events hosted with precautions. COVID-19 safety protocols, including limitations on the number of spectators, will be established in accordance with local ordinance and pursuant to the guidance published by local and state health departments.	Events hosted with precautions. COVID-19 safety protocols, including limitations on the number of spectators, will be established in accordance with local ordinance and pursuant to the guidance published by local and state health departments.	Events hosted with precautions. COVID-19 safety protocols, including limitations on the number of spectators, will be established in accordance with local ordinance and pursuant to the guidance published by local and state health departments.

