Morningside Mitigating Measures for COVID-19

2021-2022

We are following the direction of the Health Department as it is listed in state law. View the full state health recommendations for schools: coronavirus.utah.gov/education

School Schedule

- Regular classroom instruction will take place on a Monday through Friday schedule.
- Office hours: M-Th 8:00-4:30, Friday 8-3:30
- Meetings such as IEPs, 504s, SEPs, etc. may be in-person or virtual based on preference and availability.

Monitoring Symptoms

- Students/staff who are demonstrating ANY symptom of COVID-19 must stay home.
- Keep contact numbers current as parents will be contacted by the school demonstrating symptoms.
- Case counts will be monitored by the county health department dashboard.
- Students or staff that are exposed to COVID-19 will work with the health department regarding quarantine. Those who are exposed will NOT be quarantined if: they had a confirmed case of COVID-19 in the past 90 days, have been fully vaccinated, the positive individual and the exposed individual were both wearing masks at the time of exposure, or if non-immunized they wear a mask for 10 days following exposure.
- Our goal is to keep children healthy while attending school in-person.

Masks

- Per health department recommendations, masks are HIGHLY ENCOURAGED for all students and staff while indoors, but NOT required.
- Masks will be available to students and staff upon request.
- Harassment in any form, direct3ed either at those who wear face coverings or those who choose not to, will not be tolerated.

Enhanced Environment Hygiene and Safety

- Schools will remain mindful of cleanliness to the highest degree possible.
- Hospital grade air filtration and circulation (up to four times per hour) will continue.
- Cleaning and disinfecting of high touch surfaces will occur throughout the day.
- Hand sanitizer will be available.

Social Distancing

- In all areas of our school, we will remain mindful of safe spacing to the highest degree possible.
- Cohorts of students will be maintained to the greatest extent possible in all areas of the school to ensure student safety.
- Entrance/Exits
 - Designate entry/exit flow paths
 - Hand sanitizer available for entry/exit points

- One class enters at a time keeping appropriate spacing
- Beginning and end of school day: utilize all outside entry doors to the school (north end, south end, bathroom, and cafeteria)
- Students will line-up at designated door (look for signs on the first day of school)

Hallways

- Apply markers on the floor marking flow pattern and distancing in hallways
- Classes will walk single file through the hallways when transition in and out of the classroom to reduce congestion
- Clean high-touch hallway surfaces regularly throughout the day
- o Minimize/monitor congregation of students with adult supervision
- Stagger transitions to limit the number of students moving through hallways

Classrooms

- Assigned seating in the classroom
- Maximize space between seating/desks
- Classroom cleaning bucket with supplies/sprayer
- Used rags container
- Student water bottles (brought from home) and bottle fillers on our water fountains
- Individual student books/supplies kept at each desk no sharing
- Individual supplies for students- no sharing
- Doors open to minimize touch surface and support air flow
- Chromebooks assigned and cleaned after use
- Classroom air filters upgraded to MERV14
- Individual student manipulatives when possible, with scheduled sanitation of manipulatives after each use
- Backpacks are allowed and encouraged. Parents are encouraged to regularly wash student backpacks

• Lunchroom

- Floor markings and signage to designate serving line flow paths
- All fruits and veggies will be served by adult lunch workers
- Sanitize tables after each student
- Increase cleaning & disinfecting of high touch surfaces between grade levels
- Assigned seating in the lunchroom
- Reduce # of students seated at a table/assigned seats, allow for distancing when eating
- Regularly wash lunch wagon canvas covers if used
- Students recording their milk purchase will be able to use a clean pen and put the used pen in a "dirty" pen basket
- No sharing food tables

Playground

Limit more than one grade level at short recess at one time

- Schedule lunch recesses to keep grade level students on different areas of the playground/field/blacktop
- Alternate use of outdoor spaces/class assigned to designated area of play. Playground duties will monitor playground activities
- Group gathering areas
 - Limit nonessential assemblies
 - o Option to record assemblies to be viewed in classrooms/at home
 - o Limit number of students in large areas to allow for spacing