

# Sebeka Public School 2021-22 School Opening Plan



# The following School Opening Plan is subject to change based upon requirements brought forth by Minnesota Department of Health and Minnesota Department of Education

Schedules, programming and operations will return to near normal in the fall of 2021 for Sebeka Public School. This includes:

# Schedule

School will be in-person, five days per week with regular start and end times.

## **Face Coverings**

Face coverings are optional and will not be required during the school day or during after-school activities, including sports. However, students will need to have face coverings with them, as masks are still required while on a school bus per federal guidelines regarding public transportation.

## **Social Distancing**

There are no social distancing requirements during the school day or during after-school activities, including sports.

## Vaccines

Sebeka Public School is not requiring vaccinations for students, staff or visitors.

#### Meals

Students will eat breakfast in their classrooms, elementary cafeteria, and secondary cafeteria. Students will eat lunch in the elementary cafeteria and secondary cafeteria.

#### Specialist Classes (media, music, band, art, etc.)

These classes will be held in the specialist classrooms.

#### Cleaning

Cleaning protocols will continue to support mitigation of Covid 19. Drinking fountains and water refill stations will be open for students.

# **Healthy Facilities**

HVAC systems will be running at a higher than normal capacity to ensure higher airflow and air quality.

# Health Screening and Quarantine

- Self-screening for symptoms of illness will be required. If you are ill, stay home and report your symptoms to the school nurse.
- Schools are mandated to report any positive Covid cases to the Minnesota Department of Health.
- Our practice regarding someone who is in close contact with a person who is Covid positive will be to notify staff and students (and parents/guardians) who are close contacts with a positive case and ask them to monitor their symptoms closely.

# Handwashing

Students will continue to be encouraged to wash their hands with soap and water during bathroom breaks and before meals and snacks.

#### **Food Service**

Sebeka Food Service Department has established material and food procedures that meet the requirements of the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH), Food and Drug Administration (FDA), and Minnesota Department of Education (MDE).

# Transportation

All students must be masked on school busses and during any school district transportation per federal requirements.

## **Accommodations for Special Education**

Appropriate accommodations for children with disabilities with respect to health and safety policies and procedures will be provided. Parents/guardians should contact his/her child's case manager to inquire about accommodations.

## **Partnerships with Health Agencies**

Sebeka Public School will collaborate on issues related to Covid with Wadena County Public Health, Tri-County Health Care, MDE and MDH. Local Covid infection rates will be monitored closely in collaboration with the agencies listed above.

## Subject to Change

This plan and all areas of operation for Sebeka Public School are subject to change at any time due to new state and/or federal mandates regarding Covid. If necessary, Sebeka Public School will make changes to ensure the health and safety of students, staff and community members.