



2021-2022 In-Person Return Plan At-A-Glance

To view the full Back to School In-Person Return Plan, visit our website at hicksvillepublicschools.org



General Strategies

- All schools open with regular daily schedule
- No daily health screening for students/staff
- Health screening for visitors
- Social Distancing: 3 feet, all buildings
- COVID desk shields have been removed
- Lunch will be provided in cafeterias and classrooms to allow for social distancing
- Elementary playgrounds will be open for use

Masks

- All students and staff will be required to wear face coverings on the school bus and throughout the school building and school day
- Face covering breaks will be allowed during instruction when students are seated and socially distanced
- Mask breaks will be (2) 5 minute breaks every 40 minutes of instruction
- Mask break logs will be kept by teacher/staff in charge
- No masks required outdoors

Group Size

- With 3 foot distancing – classrooms will return to pre-COVID number of desks
- Building principals will establish designated areas for student drop-off and pick-up
- There will be no sharing of supplies
- Students will maintain social distancing when moving through the hallways
- Use of the restrooms will be staggered, allowing for social distancing
- Locker assignments at the secondary level will be minimized

Cleaning & Disinfection

- The school district will follow the recommendations and guidance in accordance with Nassau County DOH and CDC cleaning and disinfecting procedures
- Schools may close for 24-48 hours for cleaning and disinfection, depending on severity of reported case

Transportation

- Bus Drivers & Attendants will complete a daily health & temperature check upon reporting to work
- All bus drivers, attendants and monitors are required to wear masks
- All buses and vans will be cleaned and disinfected throughout the day
- Hand sanitizer is prohibited on buses
- Windows will remain open 1/2 from top, weather permitting

Child Nutrition

- Breakfast and lunch meals are free for all students
- Students will access a grab and go breakfast upon arrival to be eaten in the classroom
- All tables and chairs will be sanitized in between periods
- A la carte purchases such as snacks and water need to be purchased

Vaccinations

- Vaccinations are encouraged
- With advance appointment, distribution of the Moderna vaccine available on site (information coming soon)
- Continuation of weekly COVID testing on site (notification of appointments will be sent via email)
- Student vaccination ambassadors in collaboration with Nassau County to continue



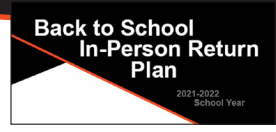
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Contact Tracing & Quarantine

- The District will work with the Nassau County Department of Health to identify students and staff as close contacts
- The close contact definition excludes students who were within 3 to 6 feet of an infected student when masks were worn
- Close contacts will quarantine for 10 days
- Remote instruction will be initiated at notification of quarantine
- Return to school will be in collaboration with Nassau County DOH and the school medical director

Management of Sick Individuals

- The school nurse will triage and assess for symptoms
- Individual will be isolated if there are symptoms of COVID
- Parents/guardians will be notified for immediate pick up
- Resources for care and return to school will be given at pick up

Positive Case Reporting

- Immediately notify the COVID Coordinator for the district, Gail Hunker, at ghunker@hicksvillepublicschools.org or 516-733-2149
- Nassau County DOH will be contacted as well as close contacts
- ANY student or staff member who has been tested for COVID MAY NOT return to school, until the results have been received and documentation provided to the school.

Social Emotional Well-Being

- Additional social workers have been hired to work with students
- Call your school's main office for contact information
- All district-wide and building-level comprehensive developmental school counseling program plans were reviewed and updated to meet the current needs of students

Instruction

- All instruction will be in person for Pre K-12
- Academic Interventionists will provide academic support in all buildings
- Masks will be required for indoor PE classes
- All students, except Pre-K, will have a one-to-one device to access Google
- There will be no field trips outside of the school district
- All existing 504 Plans will remain in effect

Athletics

- New York State Public High School Athletic Association (NYSPHSAA) will start the Fall Season as planned
 - We will be returning to regularly scheduled play both game and practices
 - No masks will be required for outdoor events, practices, games or for spectators.
- The following guidelines which will still be in effect include:
- Face masks must be worn as tolerated by student athletes indoors
 - Face masks must be worn by spectators for indoor events
 - No weekly testing of athletes
 - Testing is voluntary and will be available at the Administration building each week

For more information, view our [District Directory](#) for contact information.

This plan is subject to change as the school year progresses. We will update and notify our school community.



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