

Columbia-Montour Area Vocational-Technical School




Return to School Plan!!

Overview

- ▶ This will serve as a guide for the safe reopening of the Columbia-Montour Area Vocational-Technical School. This is a **fluid document** based on local, state, and federal guidelines, which will **continue to develop over time**.
- ▶ This plan is based on the district's ability to follow the local, state, and federal guidelines to the **best of its ability**; however, this plan is developed to **reduce** the level of risk, but does **not completely eliminate risks and exposure**.

Guidelines

- ▶ Work Together
- ▶ Keep Positive
- ▶ Be A Team
- ▶ Expect Changes (PDE/DOH/CDC....)
- ▶ Be A Part of the Solution

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Health Guidance for School Reopening

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Colleague,

This afternoon, the Pennsylvania Departments of Health and Education will release [updated health guidance for school leaders](#) to use when crafting Health and Safety Plans for the resumption of in-person instruction. This guidance is comprised of endorsed best practices for public health, and builds on prior iterations of school reopening guidance distributed by PDE.

This work was informed by the conversations that members of the team at PDE have had with many of you over the past several weeks. I know there continues to be great uncertainty regarding the pandemic and its impact on our communities, but I am hopeful that this health-focused guidance will serve as an additional resource to help you plan.

Thank you for all you continue to do in serving your students, staff, and communities.

-Pedro

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Social Distancing/Screening

- ▶ Social distancing, also called "physical distancing," means keeping a safe space between yourself and other people who are not from your household. Social Distancing is fundamental to lowering the risk of spread of COVID-19, as the primary mode of transmission is through respiratory droplets by persons in close proximity.
- ▶ Require students and parents/guardians/caregivers to perform a symptom screening prior to arriving at school or the bus stop each day. ([See Symptom Screening Tool.](#))

Social Distancing/Screening cont.

- ▶ Bus drivers and passengers must wear face coverings while on the bus, in accordance with the Secretary of Health's Order Requiring Universal Face Coverings issued July 1, 2020.
- ▶ Load the bus by filling seats from back to front to limit students walking past students to find a seat.
- ▶ Discourage parents from entering the school building.
- ▶ Use physical barriers, such as plexiglass, in reception areas and employee workspaces where the environment does not accommodate physical distancing.
- ▶ Discourage congregating in shared spaces, such as staff lounge areas.

Symptom Screening Tool

Are you or the student experiencing any of the following?

Stay home if, you or the student:

Group A

1 or more symptoms

Fever (100.4 or higher)

Cough

Shortness of breath

Difficulty breathing

Group B

2 or more symptoms

Sore throat

Runny nose/congestion

Chills

New lack of smell or taste

Muscle pain

Nausea or Vomiting

Headache

Diarrhea

Guidelines From PDE and DOH

- ▶ Masks/Face Coverings
- ▶ On July 1, 2020, the Secretary of Health issued an Order requiring all individuals to wear a face covering when they leave their homes.
- ▶ Individuals must wear a face covering (mask or face shield) unless they have a medical or mental health condition or disability, documented in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, that precludes the wearing of a face covering in school
- ▶ Children two years and older are required to wear a face covering unless they have a medical or mental health condition or disability, documented in accordance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act or IDEA, that precludes the wearing of a face covering in school.

Phased School Reopening Health and Safety Plan Template

- ▶ Each school entity must create a Health and Safety Plan which will serve as the local guidelines for all instructional and non- instructional school reopening activities. As with all emergency plans, the Health and Safety Plan developed for each school entity should be tailored to the unique needs of each school and should be created in consultation with local health agencies. Given the dynamic nature of the pandemic, each plan should incorporate enough flexibility to adapt to changing conditions. The templates provided in this toolkit can be used to document a school entity's Health and Safety Plan, with a focus on professional learning and communications, to ensure all stakeholders are fully informed and prepared for a local phased reopening of school facilities. A school entity's Health and Safety Plan must be approved by its governing body and posted on the school entity's publicly available website prior to the reopening of school. School entities should also consider whether the adoption of a new policy or the modification of an existing policy is necessary to effectively implement the Health and Safety Plan.
- ▶ Each school entity should continue to monitor its Health and Safety Plan throughout the year and update as needed. All revisions should be reviewed and approved by the governing body prior to posting on the school entity's public website.

Classroom Changes

- ▶ All “unnecessary” classroom furniture will be removed to allow for desks to be spread throughout the classroom
- ▶ All Backpacks will be in lockers; this is not a change. All books will be in lockers before lunch; this is a change.
- ▶ Students will sanitize their hands upon entrance into the classroom.

Instruction/Curriculum

- ▶ Instructional Materials -utilizing G Suite for Education including Google Meet, Classroom, etc.
- ▶ Chromebooks
- ▶ Google Classroom for remote learning when necessary
- ▶ Staff development virtual instruction, sanitizing etc.

CMAVTS

- ▶ How do you plan to bring students and staff back to physical school buildings, particularly if you still need social distancing in place?
- ▶ We are proposing a Blended reopening that balances in-person learning and remote learning for all students (i.e., alternating days).
- ▶ 20-21 School days will be a 5 day schedule with A/B, 50/50 split Day 1a, Day 1b, Day 2a, Day 2b,, students will be face to face and online learning every other day.

Some of the takeaways from the faculty group and admin meetings:

- ▶ Investigate AC units for classrooms that do not have AC.
- ▶ **Masks will be enforced at all times.**
- ▶ Recommendation as the Bloomsburg Fair canceled:
 - ▶ We will use September 28th and 29th for instructional school days.
 - ▶ Wednesday September 30th will be an ACT 80 day for faculty and staff only, no students.
 - ▶ October 1st & 2nd no school.
 - ▶ Friday October 16th will be an instructional day with students.
 - ▶ End of Second Marking period moved to October 23rd.
 - ▶ Monday October 26th will be a day off.
 - ▶ December 21st and 22nd will be days off.

Daily Operations

► Schedule update to amend the hours with explanation

► Classroom Schedule 8:10 – 3:11

Academic	Start	End	Length	Between	CTE	
Homeroom	8:10	8:15	0:05	0:00	Homeroom	
Period 1	8:15	8:48	0:33	0:00	Period 1	Enrichment
Period 2	8:48	9:27	0:39	0:04	Period 2	2:05
Period 3	9:31	10:10	0:39	0:04	Period 3	
Period 4	10:14	10:53	0:39	0:04	Period 4	
Period 5 Lunch A	10:57	11:36	0:39	0:04	Period 5	
Period 6 Lunch B	11:40	12:19	0:39	0:04	Period 6	2:05
Period 7 Lunch C	12:23	13:02	0:39	0:04	Period 7	
Period 8	13:06	13:45	0:39	0:04	Period 8	
Period 9	13:49	14:28	0:39	0:04	Period 9	
Period 10	14:32	15:11	0:39	0:00	Period 10	

Daily Operations

- ▶ Back to school plan daily operations
 - ▶ Student Arrival 7:45 – 8:07 Busses
 - ▶ Student Arrival 7:45 – 8:07 Parent Drop off
 - ▶ All student drop off & pick up will be in junior lot
 - ▶ Student Arrival 8:00 – 8:07 Drivers
 - ▶ All drivers will be in the senior lot
 - ▶ Dismissal 3:08 Busses
 - ▶ Dismissal 3:11 Parent Pick – up and Drivers

Daily Operations

- ▶ Daily routine (how will the day look for students)
 - ▶ Arrival 3 locations (Dismissed at 8:06 to Homeroom)
 - ▶ Cafeteria (Breakfast)
 - ▶ Library (Quiet study area)
 - ▶ Gym (Social Distancing on the bleachers)
- ▶ All unnecessary items will be removed from classrooms.

Cleaning/Maintenance

- ▶ Cleaning Plan
 - ▶ Ultra-violet sanitizing units
 - ▶ Atomizing sprayers
 - ▶ Classroom cleaning kits
- ▶ Plexiglass installed in high-traffic areas.

Communications/Events

- ▶ Web Page with COVID updates
- ▶ Sports no fans in the stands. Investigating live streaming sporting events.
- ▶ Faculty, staff, and students traveling to mandatory quarantine states must follow PDE guidelines.
- ▶ Calendar updates on the webpage
- ▶ 9th grade orientation August 12th
- ▶ New faculty induction 13th
- ▶ In-service 17th
- ▶ First student day August 19th

Professional Development

- ▶ Professional Development Trainings for faculty for COVID issues during in-service days.
- ▶ Go Pros and training on creating videos during in-service days.
- ▶ Develop parent training on Chromebooks and Google Classroom.

Summary

- ▶ Our education plan must be flexible
- ▶ Things may change at a moments notice
- ▶ The CMAVTS Faculty, Staff and Administration working together to provide quality education in a safe environment to the students of CMAVTS.
- ▶ We Must Work Together
- ▶ Stay Safe and Healthy