

GWES Return to Learn



Daily Routines and Expectations

Safety Considerations BEFORE School

Please keep your child home if he or she is sick.

- Please do not send your child to school if he or she is exhibiting any of the following symptoms:
 - Fever of 100°F / 37.8°C or greater
 - Cough
 - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
 - Sore throat
 - New loss of taste or smell
 - Chills
 - Head or muscle aches
 - Nausea, diarrhea, vomiting
- Please do not administer fever-reducing medications in order to send your child to school.
- Teachers and staff will be screened upon entering the building before each school day begins. Student temperatures will be taken once they enter the classroom. Teachers and students who present with a fever or symptoms of illness will be immediately sent to the nurse and sent home.

Proactive Prevention

Take your child's temperature before bringing them to school or taking them to the bus stop.

Screening



Students who report with a fever and/or other symptoms associated with COVID-19, will be immediately isolated from the general population in a private room in the main office. Students will be cared for by the nurse or clinic aide until a parent, guardian, or a designated emergency pick up arrives. We do ask that if Covid -19 symptoms are present, that the student is picked up as promptly as possible.

Parents will pick their child up curbside from the main front doors. They will sign their student out on the nurse's sign out sheet.

Contact Tracing



Student interaction will be closely monitored. In the event that a student or teacher becomes ill, contact tracing will be used to determine with whom they have been in contact.

If a student goes to the clinic with a fever, all individuals within the same household will also be sent home.

In School Prevention



- Increased handwashing opportunities will take place.
 - Surfaces will be disinfected more frequently.
 - Hand sanitizer will be readily available in all areas.
 - Materials and supplies will not be shared.
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Required Face Coverings



Students will be required to wear face coverings unless designated by their IEP, 504 plan, or intervention plan.

The protective measures put in place will be required and enforced. Our discussions are centered around safety measures and parameters to include screening protocols, social distancing, and wearing the appropriate personal protective equipment while in our facilities using guidelines from the VDOE and CDC.



GWES Health and Safety Measures

Social Distancing

Physical distancing of at least 3 feet will be maintained to the greatest extent possible in classrooms based on our current enrollment.

Cleaning

Classroom spaces will be cleaned and disinfected at regular intervals throughout the day.

All rooms will be fogged with disinfectant and wiped down every Friday.

No Large Groups

Large gatherings will not be held. There will be no mixing of student groups. Classes and grade levels will stay with their cohorts.

Face Coverings

Face coverings will be worn to help prevent the spread of Covid-19.

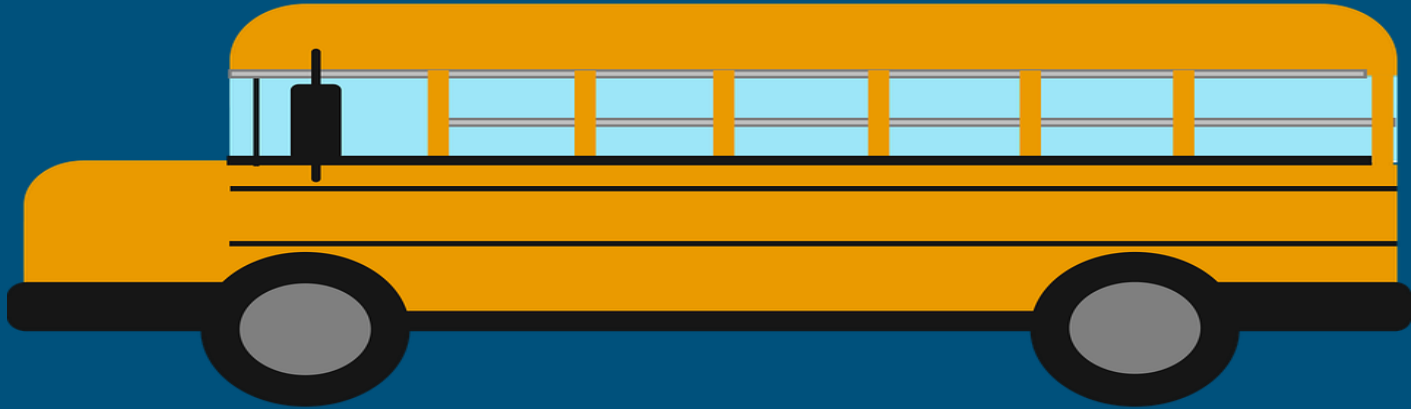
Safety First

Every precaution is being taken to ensure a safe and healthy environment for our students, both inside and outside the classroom.

Hand sanitizer stations will be located in classrooms, the cafeteria, and hallways for student use throughout the day.

If students use any play equipment, it will be disinfected post use.

Transportation



Buses

All of the CDC guidelines will be followed: including assigned seats, wearing masks, and social distancing.

Due to COVID bus route restrictions, students must take the same bus to and from school every day. We will be unable to accommodate transportation changes that require students to switch buses either in the morning or afternoon.



Students will be required to maintain a social distancing requirement of at least three (3) feet or more, with the exception of siblings who may sit side by side.

Face coverings are required at all times while on the bus.

Car Riders

GWES staff will be stationed at the front of the school to assist with students exiting the cars and entering the building for student drop off each morning (doors open at 8:40am). Parents are not allowed to escort children to class, as we are not allowed to have visitors in the building.



Student temperatures will be taken before they leave the car. If students are found to have a temperature of greater than 100°F, they will not be permitted in the building. Additionally all riders in that vehicle will be required to return home.

Families that selected “no transportation” will be given a pick-up tag for afternoon dismissal. Our student pick up procedure at the end of the day has students dismissing from the gym and being escorted to your vehicle so you never have to leave your car! Pick up for students will occur on the sidewalk at the main entrance. Afternoon pick-up will begin at 1:40pm.

In School Daily Procedures



Daily Schedule



Minimizing Contact Between Groups

Students will stay with their homeroom peer group all day long to include resource, lunch, and recess.

Classroom Procedures

Students will remain in their designated seats. Social distancing guidelines have been used to strategically place seating in the classroom.

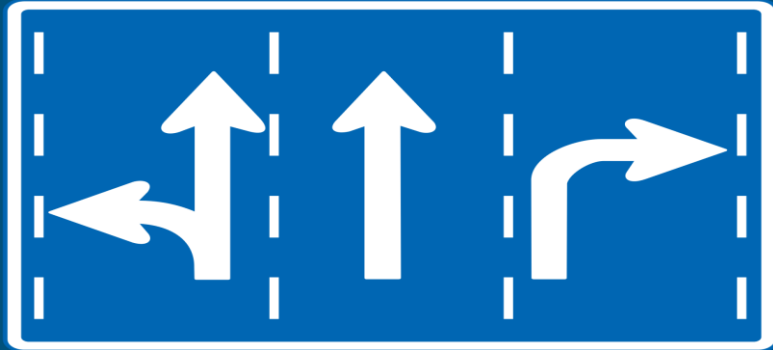
Students will only use their supplies. There will be no shared materials.

Students in small groups will have plexiglass dividers between them.

There will be routine cleaning throughout the day. Rooms will be deep cleaned each day after the students leave.



Hallway and Transition Procedures



— Students will follow social distancing decals that have been strategically placed throughout the hallways.

Breakfast and Lunch Procedures

Breakfast will be a grab and go for any student wanting to eat breakfast. Students will be escorted to the cafeteria following distancing guidelines where they will be provided a free breakfast. Students will eat breakfast in class. This school year, breakfast and lunch will be free to all students. Lunch will also be eaten in the classroom. Due to safety measures, parents will not be allowed to enter the school to eat with their students.



Restroom Procedures

Individual classroom restrooms are available in all Kindergarten and several first grade rooms for student use. Bathrooms will be disinfected daily in each classroom. Students will be required to wash their hands when they exit the restroom. Hallway restrooms will be limited to only 2 students entering at the same time. Students will hang their individual lanyards on a hook outside the restroom designating that the restroom is occupied. Students who are waiting will maintain social distance on clearly designated floor stickers.



Recess Procedures

Grade level recess time will be staggered to help maintain social distancing. Students will be asked to maintain at least a 6 feet distance while playing.

Students will be able to use playground equipment shared with only their class, which will be disinfected after use. Classes will be assigned specific zones in which they can play each day to prevent interaction with peer classes.



Resource Classes

GWES Resource Teachers (music, art, library, PE, school counseling lessons) will be done in-person with those teachers travelling to the classrooms to limit student movement in the building.



Clinic Procedures



Students who visit the clinic for medicine or routine issues will still come to the clinic through the main hallway.

Students who report with a fever and/or other symptoms associated with COVID-19, will be immediately isolated from the general population in a newly designated space in the Main Office. Students will be cared for by our nurse or clinic aide until a parent, guardian, or a designated emergency pick up arrives.

Parents will pick their child up curbside from the front of the building. They will sign their student out on the nurse's sign out sheet.

Emergency Contacts



Please take time to revise your emergency contact information in PowerSchool. We will be relying on your child's emergency contacts if we are unable to reach a parent or guardian if your child is sick.

Communication

People You Can Call or Email with Questions: #(804) 966-9660

1. Your Child's Teacher(s)
2. The main office staff for absence reporting or general questions
3. Miss Ligon/Mrs. Driggs, School Counselors
4. Officer Jenkins, School Resource Officer
5. Mrs. Kappus, Technology Support
6. Mr. Mac/Mr. Moser- Administrators

