

# Jefferson County Christian School

## COVID-19 Health & Safety Plan

August 5, 2021

The following plan is based on a healthy framework for reopening Jefferson County Christian School for the 2021-2022 school year. This document seeks to ensure that only healthy individuals will be present in the school thus providing a safe environment for students and staff. The school building will continue to receive the increased levels of cleaning and sanitizing initiated last year. There will be minimal disruption to the typical classroom instruction and routines.

This framework provides the greatest level of “normalcy” but depends on students and staff to remain at home if they display any flu-like symptoms or have been in contact with others who are symptomatic.

The plan for JCCS students and staff is to begin and continue the 2021-2022 school year with face to face learning five days a week. We also have other options for families who feel they need to keep their children at home. These plans will allow your child’s education to continue through Jefferson County Christian School. Should the pandemic worsen, we are prepared to transition to a remote learning format.

Please note that information does change frequently and our guidance is from our local health officials, Governor DeWine and the Ohio Department of Education.

<b>Plan Item</b>	<b>Protocols</b>
2021-2022 School Start	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• JCCS will implement a thorough orientation and training for staff and students of all safety procedure</li><li>• The first full day of school for all students will be August 30th, 2021.</li></ul>
Cafeteria/Lunch/snacks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Students and staff will have the option to provide their own individual lunch or may pre-order school lunches Tuesdays-Friday.</li><li>• Students are not permitted to share food with others.</li><li>• Students and staff will wash or sanitize hands before and after meals and snacks.</li><li>• Students should bring two water bottles (labeled with name) to school or water can be purchased for \$.50 per bottle.</li><li>• Milk may be purchased for \$.50 per container.</li><li>• Students will eat in th lunch room on staggered schedules to allow for proper distancing.</li></ul>
Classrooms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Student classroom seating will be physically distanced at a minimum of three feet apart.</li><li>• Hand sanitizing stations will be placed in each classroom.</li><li>• Students and staff will be instructed to sanitize hands upon entering and exiting the classroom.</li><li>• Students may only touch or handle their own learning materials</li></ul>

	<p>(textbooks, pens, markers, glue, crayons, paper, scissors, etc.)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students may not touch or use another student’s locker, backpack or personal items.</li> <li>• PK &amp; K students will take home pillows and blankets weekly for laundering.</li> <li>• Classroom equipment (i.e. tables, Chromebooks) must be disinfected after each use.</li> <li>• All personal items must be labeled with the student’s name (textbooks, water bottles, notebooks, backpacks, lunch bags)</li> </ul>
<p>Parents, guests and visitors</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All parents, guests and visitors to the school are encouraged to make visits by appointment . Any visitor will be required to stop at the main office for a temperature check and health questions prior to visiting through the school.</li> <li>• <b>All guests will need to make their own personal decision concerning wearing a mask throughout their visit.</b></li> </ul>
<p>Physical Distancing &amp; Minimizing Exposure</p>	<p>Drop Off/Dismissal/ School Office</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Student drop-off begins at 7:30 a.m. at the south parking lot.</li> <li>• Parents/guardians and visitors of grades 1-12 are not permitted to enter the building during drop-off or dismissal.</li> <li>• Preschool and Kindergarten parents, after having their temperature checked, answering the health questions correctly, will be permitted to accompany their child to the classroom during the <b>first week of school only</b>.</li> <li>• Daily home screening must be done by a parent or guardian for all students before coming to school. If a student exhibits a fever of 99.8 F or greater when checked, the student must remain home and be watched for developing symptoms. <b>Students and staff are not permitted to return to school until they are fever free for 24 hours without fever reducing medication.</b></li> <li>• Parents will send a <u>signed and dated</u> <b>DAILY ADMITTANCE PASS</b> with the student each morning to indicate that the screening was completed to ensure admittance to school. (Student screening form and <b>DAILY ADMITTANCE PASS</b> will be made available to parents at the Get Acquainted Night and on the first day of school and distributed in the monthly packets thereafter. )</li> <li>• Students checking in after 8:05 a.m. are to use the front door and report to the main office</li> <li>• <b>The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and the Ohio Department of Health (ODH) strongly recommend the use of masks in K-12 schools. At this time the use of masks or gaiters is left to the personal discretion of parents and of each staff member.</b></li> <li>• Students may wear their own non-offensive gaiters /masks which must comply with the dress code standards outlined in the student handbook.</li> <li>• JCCS can provide a mask if needed.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Student lockers will be assigned and have staggered times to access the lockers.</li> </ul> <p>Early dismissal</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Parents will call the school office prior to an early dismissal.</li> <li>• Parents must come to the main office to sign the student out.</li> <li>• Visitor protocol will be implemented</li> </ul> <p>End of day dismissal</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students will be physically distanced as much as possible during dismissal (lower levels for cars and multipurpose room for buses)</li> </ul>
Facilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Common areas will be cleaned and sanitized by the custodial staff throughout the day.</li> <li>• The classroom doors and windows will be kept open to provide for maximum ventilation when weather appropriate.</li> <li>• Water fountains will not be operational.</li> <li>• Recess schedules will be staggered to allow for limited students on the playground.</li> <li>• Recreational and sports equipment will be regularly cleaned and sanitized.</li> <li>• Fire drills, tornado drills and lockdown drills will be modified to maintain proper physical distancing to the greatest extent possible.</li> <li>• Chapel services will continue to be held with a staggered schedule and physical distancing in place.</li> </ul>
Athletics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There must be no shared athletic equipment (towels, water bottles, clothing, shoes or sports-specific equipment) between students.</li> <li>• Students must wear their own appropriate workout clothing (do not share clothing).</li> <li>• Individual clothing/towels must be washed after every workout/game.</li> <li>• All athletic equipment including balls must be cleaned and sanitized after each use and prior to the next workout/game.</li> <li>• Spectators attendance at a game will need to follow the prescribed protocol of each host school. At this time there is no capacity limit for JCCS home games.</li> </ul>
Health Screening, Waiver & Agreement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Parents and staff will be required to complete a waiver prior to the beginning of the school year with required signatures releasing JCCS of any liability in regards to COVID-19.</li> <li>• It is recommended that any person who has traveled out of the country or to a COVID-19 “hot spot” self-quarantine for no less than 10 days prior to returning to school.</li> <li>• If a student or staff member presents with any possible COVID-19 symptoms while at school, the school nurse will complete the assessment. If the nurse determines possible COVID-19, the individual will be sent home. Students ill with COVID like symptoms, <b>must be fever free for 24 hours without fever-reducing medication and must have a medical provider’s note stating they may return to school.</b></li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If a student or staff member has a negative COVID-19 test, they may return to school once there is <b>no fever without using fever-reducing medicines for 24 hours and must provide a medical provider’s note.</b></li> <li>• In order for a student or staff member who has tested positive for COVID-19 and has mild to moderate symptoms to be allowed to return to school, they must be able to answer YES to all of the following:       <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Has it been at least 10 days since the individual first had COVID-19 symptoms? For a student or staff member with severe COVID-19, a stay of 20 days since first symptoms appeared is required.</li> <li>2. Has it been at least 24 hours since the individual had a fever (without the use of a fever-reducing medicine)?</li> <li>3. Have their COVID-19 symptoms (ex. Cough, shortness of breath) improved.</li> </ol> </li> <li>• If a student or staff member is exposed to someone with a positive Covid-19 diagnosis they must immediately notify the school office and will need to follow the following protocol:       <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. If the student/staff is fully vaccinated there is no need to quarantine and may attend school.</li> <li>2. If the student/staff is not vaccinated he or she will need to comply with the Ohio Department of Health guidelines for Quarantine. (14 days/10days after last exposure)</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
Remote Learning (individual)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Families will be able to participate in remote learning by request due to underlying health concerns or COVID-19.</li> <li>• Families must contact the school to arrange for remote learning.</li> <li>• Students will continue to be a part of the JCCS student population</li> <li>• Parents will pay full tuition</li> <li>• Students must participate in live-streamed daily instruction, which begins at 8:00 a.m.</li> <li>• Students who utilize the remote learning format must continue with that format for the entire quarter.</li> <li>• Teachers will only use Google Classroom and Google Meet as the remote learning format.</li> <li>• Students will have the ability to participate in JCCS activities</li> <li>• Students will have the opportunity to receive orientation and specific training of practices and protocols for remote learning.</li> <li>• Student arrival and departure during an orientation period will be the same as face-to-face learners.</li> <li>• Teacher will arrange for testing and pick up of paper packets.</li> </ul>
Remote Learning (entire	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If JCCS is ordered to shut down due to a health emergency, the</li> </ul>

school shutdown)	following protocol will be implemented: <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. JCCS students and staff will convert to remote learning .</li><li>2. Teachers will live- stream instruction for approximately two hours a day, provide specific “office hours” for student questions and help, participate in team meetings and professional development.</li><li>3. Live- stream schedules will be provided.</li><li>4. Students will be required to attend the live-stream session at their designated time.</li><li>5. Teachers will establish “office hours” to answer student questions and conduct one on one instruction if needed.</li><li>6. Teachers will only use Google Classroom and Google Meets for student interaction.</li><li>7. Teachers will work from their JCCS classroom each school day.</li></ol>
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- ***JCCS will follow guidelines from the CDC, the Ohio Department of Health and the local Health Department keeping vigilant of any developing changes in the pandemic and adjusting our protocol guidelines as needed.***