

#### Return-to-School Plan 2021-2022

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## **CALENDAR**

#### 2021-2022 MCPS Calendar - Approved 031121

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#### **TRANSPORTATION**

- •Based on guidance from health experts, all students and staff will be required to wear a mask while on an MCPS bus unless otherwise exempted (e.g. cannot wear a mask due to a disability).
- •Seating charts will not be required on each bus, although drivers may choose to institute one.
- In the event of a positive Covid-19 case involving a student or staff member on a bus, MCPS will use video camera recordings to identify close contacts
- •Social distancing will be encouraged at bus pick-up and drop-off locations.
- •Each bus will have hand sanitizer.
- •Each bus will be disinfected regularly.



# MASKS, CONTACT TRACING, and SANITATION

- •Students and staff will not be required to wear masks at school. However, MCPS *recommends* that students and staff who have not been vaccinated continue to wear masks.
- •MCPS will sanitize common areas and encourage students to continue healthy practices (e.g. washing hands).
- MCPS will continue to complete contact tracing in the event that a student or staff member tests positive; students should expect seating charts to be required in most settings.
- Close contacts may be required to quarantine based on guidance from the regional health department.
- Regular cleaning and disinfecting will occur based on guidance from the regional health department.



## FOOD SERVICE

- •MCPS food service workers will plate most food for students, although students will be able to hand select packaged items.
- •No share tables or sharing of food among students.
- •No outside food for special occasions (eg: birthdays, holidays, etc.).
- •Students will still have multiple meal options.



#### LEARNING OPTIONS

- MCPS will not offer Distance-Learning as was the case during the 2020-2021 school year.\*
- Students/parents who are not comfortable with In-Person learning can apply to the Marion Virtual and Extended Learning (MARVEL) program, which is operated through the Hugh C. Spalding Academy. For information on the MARVEL program, contact Hugh C. Spalding Principal Holly Cox by email at: holly.cox@marion.kyschools.us.
- MCPS may incorporate elements of Distance-Learning during Non-Traditional Instruction (NTI) days; for the 2021-2022 school year, MCPS has a limited number of NTI days available.

<sup>\*</sup> In the event that circumstances change, MCPS may reinstitute some or all of the learning options used during the 2020-2021 school year.