**School Board Resolution, and 2021 RS HB1 Plan**

**For the Gallatin County, Kentucky Board of Education and schools**

COVID-19 Operating Plan, prepared in compliance with 2021 RS HB1

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Effective: August 11, 2021

Reference[[1]](#footnote-1)

**1. Vaccinations**

 Gallatin County School District (GCSD) will encourage all staff and eligible students to be vaccinated.

**2. Mask Use**

 GCSD will not require mask wearing of students or staff indoors or outdoors, but does encourage and recommends mask wearing. Masks will be provided to students who need them or want them.

 Masks are required on public transportation, including buses operated by public and private school systems, for all persons two years of age or older unless otherwise exempted, in accordance with President Biden’s Executive Order and CDC’s public health order.

**3. Physical Distancing**

 As of August 11, 2021 GCSD will be socially distanced in all classrooms insofar as physical space permits. Unless physical space does not permit it, at least 3 feet will be used to separate students and staff. Whenever possible, all students will face the same direction. We will utilize assigned seats to also help mitigate student movement.

**4. Cleaning and Disinfecting**

 GCSD will be cleaning once a day to sufficiently remove potential virus that may be on surfaces. Disinfecting (using disinfectants on the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency COVID-19 list) removes any remaining germs on surfaces, which further reduces any risk of spreading infection. We will sanitize door handles, lockers, and other high touch areas. We will encourage handwashing and provide hand sanitization stations.

**5. Temperature checks**

 GCSD will implement temperature checks daily on students and screen and not permit infected students to enter or remain in school.

**6. Ventilation**

 GCSD will turn on the HVAC units 2 hours before school starts each day. GCSD will leave the HVAC unit running 2 hours after school ends each day. Windows may be opened and teachers may hold class outdoors as weather permits.

**Educational Setting**

GCSD will monitor community transmission, vaccination coverage, outbreaks, and trends with the assistance of the health department.

GCSD requests that students, teachers, and staff stay home when they have signs of any infectious illness and be referred to their healthcare provider for testing and care.

GCSD requests that students, teachers, and staff who test positive for COVID-19 report the positive test results as soon as possible to GCSD.

Determination: The Board has determined that these practices and policies will foster the safety of employees, students, visitors, and the community, including social distancing requirements, because they are consistent with the CDC Guidance, for our school.

The Superintendent is directed to implement and enforce this House Bill 1 plan, to post it on the School District’s website, and to have it posted at the entrance of each school building, as required by 21 RS HB 1.

Adopted the Gallatin County of Board of Education, this day of \_\_\_\_\_\_, August, 2021

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Board Chair

1. <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/k-12-guidance.html> (last visited 8/11/2021). The Board has considered the factors set forth by the CDC in its guidance in terms of community spread and other factors, in determining the steps within this plan. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)