Creston School Reopening Guidelines for All Phases

Phases	Safety and Health Measures	On-site and/or Remote Learning	Social, Emotional, and Behavioral Support	Academic Programming	Physical and Structural Safety
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STAY AT HOME	School closed to public access	All learning will be remote (Appendix 1) All school facilities closed to public rental	School-wide communication plan is implemented (Appendix 2) Mental health support programs and/or resources made available to students, parents, and staff (Appendix 3) School assemblies and celebrations held remotely Opportunities for students to socialize with peers in a safe manner are implemented (Appendix 4)	Learning platforms previously used in the face- to face classroom setting are used remotely -SeeSaw (K- 3rd) and Google Classroom (4th-6th) Technology and textbooks are checked out to students Paper packets will be used sparingly with learning focused on reading and writing, for real purposes and audiences, with science and social studies embedded Online teaching and learning platforms will be utilized for math to ensure students receive instruction and the opportunity to practice with immediate feedback	Current and medically accurate information from the County Health Department regarding infectious and communicable diseases shared with parents and staff

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PHASE 1 (A Mixed Model of On and Off Site) Up to 15 students in a classroom	Student groups kept together (e.g., students eat lunch and participate in "specials" in his/her classroom) Face coverings shall be worn in accordance with official directives to include, but not limited to FCHD, Governor, Creston School Board (Appendix 6) Hand sanitizing upon entry into the building Health screening and temperature of students taken by parents prior to bringing students to school. Hand sanitizing and germ transmission prevention proactively taught and frequently encouraged Frequent sanitizing of common areas Public visitors to schools limited	Families OR the school may choose 100% remote learning (Appendix 1) Internet service offered to those without a connection Learning may be remote OR on an alternating schedule up to two days per week on site Possible division of students into subgroups two days on site two days remote Possible shortened school days for remote learning students Accommodations will be extended to students and staff who are required to quarantine due to exposure or potential exposure No extra-curricular activities	School-wide communication plan is implemented (Appendix 2) Mental health support programs and/or resources made available to students, parents, and staff (Appendix 3) School assemblies and celebrations held remotely Opportunities for students to socialize with peers in a safe manner are implemented (Appendix 4)	Learning platforms previously used in the face-to face classroom setting are used-SeeSaw (K-3rd) and Google Classroom (4th-6th) Technology and textbooks are checked out to students Paper packets should be used sparingly with learning focused on reading and writing for real purposes and audiences, with science and social studies embedded Online teaching and learning platforms should be utilized for math to ensure students receive instruction with the opportunity to practice with immediate feedback	No District transportation provided. Current and medically accurate information from the County Health Department regarding infectious and communicable diseases shared with parents and staff

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PHASE II (A Mixed Model of On and Off Site) Learning Groups of less than 50 (may change throughout the day)	Student groups allowed to mix, with gatherings not to exceed 50 students Face coverings shall be worn in accordance with official directives to include, but not limited to FCHD, Governor, Creston School Board (Appendix 6) Hand sanitizing upon entry into the building Health screening and temperature of students taken by parents prior to bringing students to school. Hand sanitizing and germ transmission prevention proactively taught and frequently encouraged Frequent sanitizing of common areas Public visitors to schools limited	On-site learning returns to 100% with full schedule Extra-curricular activities resume in compliance with district activities limitations on crowd/group size, activity type, and health protocols Accommodations will be extended to students and staff who are required to quarantine due to exposure or potential exposure All school facilities may be closed to public rental	School-wide communication plan is implemented (Appendix 2) Mental health support and/or documents distributed to students, parents, and staff (Appendix 3) School assemblies and celebrations held remotely to avoid large gatherings of students and staff Opportunities for students to socialize with peers, both remotely and in person, are implemented (Appendix 4)	Technology and textbooks are checked out to students working remotely In the event of whole class quarantine, the teacher and students will attend remotely. Upon Principal approval, students with extended absences due to illness or travel may be offered independent remote learning with weekly teacher check-in. Teachers will conference regularly with students working remotely by scheduled appointment All students will use online learning platforms for in-class and remote learning- SeeSaw K-3 rd , Google Classroom 4 th -6th	Transportation services are limited and based on severity of need, distance from the school and whether or not a student is in or out of district (Appendix 5) Current and medically accurate information from the County Health Department regarding infectious and communicable diseases shared with parents and staff

Phases	Safety and Health Measures	On-site and/or Remote Learning	Social, Emotional, and Behavioral Support	Academic Programming	Physical and Structural Safety
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PHASE III	Students resume schedules and routines as normal	On-site learning returns to 100%	Schoolwide communication plan continues	Academic programming continues	Transportation services resume for all bus contract students
No limit on group size	Face coverings allowed Visitors allowed Hand sanitizing upon entry encouraged Hand sanitizing and germ transmission prevention pro-actively taught and frequently encouraged Frequent sanitizing	Extra-curricular activities resume All school facilities available to public rental Accommodations will be extended to students and staff who are required to quarantine due to exposure or potential exposure	Mental health support services continue for all students School assemblies and activities resume		

^{*} We will follow the recommendations of the County Health Department if there is a positive COVID-19 case reported in the school district

Plan revised 6/23/2021

^{*}This plan is subject to change as more information becomes available and further recommendations from federal, state, and local entities are published.

Remote Learning Division of Responsibilities

In the event of remote learning due to quarantine the following will be provided by the school:

- A device to connect to the internet
- Textbooks and learning materials
- Individual student support provided multiple times per week depending on need
- Access to the teacher via email <u>or video conference or phone call between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 3:45 p.m., on calendar school days</u>

The following is required by families:

- Students work on independent remote learning of reading, writing, and IXL math
- Parents will call the office to report an absence due to illness or personal reasons
- Teachers will work with students individually to support independent remote learning.
- Students are expected to meet with the teacher 1 time/week
- Communication with the teacher via email or video conference or phone call weekly

Appendix 2

Creston School Communication Plan

PHASE	ТҮРЕ	FREQUENCY		
1	Email/phone call update from principal	1/week		
	Email weekly learning plan(s) from teacher	1/week		
	Individual student phone call/video conference from teacher			
	Mass phone call update from principal	2/month		
2	Email/paper newsletter update from principal	2/month		
	Email/paper newsletter from teacher	1/week		
	Phone call/video conference (real-time if possible) from teacher for students working			
	remotely			
3	Email/paper newsletter update from principal	1/month		
	Email/paper newsletter from teacher	1/week		
	Phone call/video conference (real-time if possible) from teacher for students who chose to remain remote due to health concerns	3-5/week		

Mental Health Preparation and Support Services

Preparation for 2021/2022_School Year

- All staff will review Trauma Sensitive School training prior to and during the school year through group and self-paced, online professional development opportunities on trauma informed classroom/school practices found here.
- Teachers will be encouraged to implement the Calm App in their classroom (\$60/classroom) and class meetings during all phases. Resources for schools may be found here.
- The school may contract with a mental health provider for on-call services during Phase 1 and Phase 2 for students and staff needing mental health support.

Mental Health Interventions During Phase 1 and 2

- Students participate in 2-5 morning meetings per week during Phase 1 and daily morning meetings during in-person learning. and daily morning meetings during Phase 2 and 3
- Students participate in 2-5 student check-in activities per week during all phases-Students participate in weekly check-ins during all phases.
- Smiling Mind app (free) and/or Ninja Focus Mindfulness app (free)installed on all student devices to use during remote learning or any phase of reopening.
- All students and parents have access to <u>School Tools TV</u>.
- Students receiving psychological service per his/her IEP (Individual Education Plan) continue to receive therapy or teletherapy during all phases.
- Parents and staff are directed to <u>County Mental Health Support</u> and <u>resources</u>.
- Parents and staff are directed to the <u>CDC Mental Health Support resources</u>

Appendix 4

Opportunities for Students to Socialize During Phase 1 and 2

- Class meetings 2-5 times per week
- Virtual and on-site book clubs
- Virtual and on-site talent show
- Virtual assemblies
- Virtual museum tours and field trips
- Virtual and on-site small group projects or activities
- Virtual and on-site free exploration time
- Virtual and on-site show and tell
- Virtual and on-site snack time and read aloud
- Virtual and on-site lunch with teachers, staff or principal

Transportation Considerations

Phase 1

• No transportation services provided

Phase 2

- Bus and District E-bus are sanitized between use.
- Transportation services provided for in-district, bus contracted students outside 3 miles of the school OR for families with no other mode of transportation due to illness or parent work schedule.
- If space allows, in-district bus contracted students inside 3 miles of the school may be offered bus transportation services.
- Lastly, if space allows, out-of-district bus contracted students may be offered bus transportation services.
- Students from the same family will sit in the same seat, otherwise one student per seat and staggered in position (window, middle, aisle).
- Students sit in assigned seating (a.m./p.m.) in order of being picked up or dropped off. (i.e. first picked up go to the back of the bus, first dropped off sit in the front of the bus.)
- Students may be transported to special programs via District E-bus.

Phase 3

• All bus contracted students may use District provided transportation.

Appendix 6

Face Coverings

Accommodations for the face covering directive may include, but are not limited to, off-site instruction through remote learning, partial day attendance, partial week attendance, or medical waiver.

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Guidelines

It is important to note, the <u>CDC Considerations for Schools</u> (Appendix D) are recommendations, not requirements.

CDC's Guiding Principles to Keep in Mind

The more people a student or staff member interacts with, and the longer that interaction, the higher the risk of COVID-19 spread. The risk of COVID-19 spread increases in school settings as follows:

- Lowest Risk: Students and teachers engage in virtual-only classes, activities, and events.
- **More Risk:** Small, in-person classes, activities, and events. Groups of students stay together and with the same teacher throughout/across school days and groups do not mix. Students remain at least 6 feet apart and do not share objects (e.g., hybrid virtual and in-person class structures, or staggered/rotated scheduling to accommodate smaller class sizes).
- **Highest Risk:** Full sized, in-person classes, activities, and events. Students are not spaced apart, share classroom materials or supplies, and mix between classes and activities.

COVID-19 is mostly spread by respiratory droplets released when people talk, cough, or sneeze. It is thought that the virus may spread to hands from a contaminated surface and then to the nose or mouth, causing infection. Therefore, personal prevention practices (such as handwashing, staying home when sick) and environmental cleaning and disinfection are important principles that are covered in the CDC's guidance document. Fortunately, there are a number of actions school administrators can take to help lower the risk of COVID-19 exposure and spread during school sessions and activities.

Additional Resource & Guidance Documents:

<u>Guidance for Opening up High School Athletics and Activities</u> from the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) and Sports Medicine Advisory Committee (SMAC), May 2020.

COVID-19 Planning Considerations: Return to In-person Education in Schools, American Academy of Pediatrics