Callaway Public Schools Return to School Protocols

The Callaway Public School District receives recommendations and guidance from the Loup Basin Public Health Department, State Department of Education, and State Government Agencies. All plans on this document are subject to change.

Decisions within the protocol document are based on input from risk level categories provided by our local health department.

Green Low Risk	•	No DHM's in place that limit building capacity. Minimal cases of COVID-19 within the community.
	•	COVID-19 has minimal impact on local healthcare system

 There is a downward trajectory in levels of Flu-Like Symptoms OR COVID like syndromic.
 There is limited community spread. COVID has a small impact on the local healthcare system capacity

Orange Elevated Risk	 Confirmed cases within the building. There are increasing or high stable numbers of COVID positive cases or percent positive cases due to community. There is an increase in Flu-Like Symptoms or COVID like syndromic cases regionally. Clusters or outbreaks exist that are still likely in their early
	stages

Red Pandemic	 Widespread community or regional transmission of COVID. There is a significant increase in COVID positive cases or percent positive cases which may potentially overwhelm the
	local healthcare system.
	 There is a significant increase in Flu-Like Symptoms and
	COVID-like syndromic cases which may potentially
	overwhelm the local healthcare system.
	 Hospitals are utilizing surge capacity.

Protocol	
Home Screening	 Parents will be asked to screen their children at home for fever or chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea. We ask that they refer their child to a medical professional if symptomatic. Students should not report to school if symptomatic.
Pick-up / Drop-Off of Students	 Student drop/off and pickup will occur as it has in the past on the south side of the building. We ask that students do not congregate in the entry ways and that adults picking up students practice social distancing measures.
Entering the Building and the Start of the Day.	 Social distancing practices will be in place for entering and exiting the building.
Masks	 Students and staff will be encouraged to wear masks but it will not be required. If there is an elevated risk this may be revisited with input from the Loup Basin Health Department.
Hand Washing Hand Sanitizing	 Students and staff will be required to either wash their hands or use sanitizer once they enter the building. Students and staff will be required to wash their hands or use sanitizer at regularly scheduled intervals throughout the day.
Touch Surface Cleaning	 Cleaning protocols will be followed throughout the day. This will include regular cleaning intervals completed in the classroom, common areas, restrooms, and on frequently touched surfaces such as door handles.
Cafeteria / Meals Elementary	 Elementary Breakfast- Socially distanced. Students will be required to move to a supervised area once they are done eating to ensure space for more students. Elementary Lunch- Lunches may be staggered to allow for spaced seating and social distancing.

Cafeteria / Meals Secondary	 Secondary Breakfast and Lunch- Extra seating areas will be provided to ensure students have the ability to socially distance while eating.
Response to Students who become COVID Symptomatic during the day	 Callaway Public Schools will follow guidance from Loup Basin Health Department If a student or staff member becomes sick with COVID-19 symptoms during the school day, the student/staff member will be sent home. The website will be updated daily with the number of students who are sent home with symptoms. Classrooms of individuals who are sent home with symptoms will be required to have enhanced cleaning measures.
Positive Cases and Response	 Callaway Public Schools will follow guidance from the Loup Basin Health Officials Communication to families as recommended by Loup Basin Health Officials.
Water Fountains	 No mouth drinking from fountains Water bottles only We have installed another water fountain with a bottle filler on the elementary side of the building.
Passing Periods	 Students will not be allowed to congregate in groups in the hallway.
Recess	 We will continue to have recess. Times may be staggered to ensure certain amounts of distancing. Equipment will be sanitized at regularly scheduled intervals.
Social Distancing	 Every attempt will be made to provide seating with 6 feet of separation in all classes. Individual students supplies will be made available for students rather than group supplies.
Exiting the Building	 Parents, guardians, or others who pick students up from school will be asked to wait for their students in a socially distanced manner and not congregate in large groups. Pick up will take place on the south side of the building.

Visitors to School	 Visitors will not be allowed past the school office unless it is for a scheduled educational event such as a prearranged meeting with a teacher. For all students who need to leave the building (have an appointment, are ill, need to leave early, etc.) parents will park on the west side of the building, by the main office, and call the school office upon arrival to the building. At this time the student will be released.
Transportation	 We ask students to monitor symptoms and not send their child on the bus if they are exhibiting any symptoms listed under home screening. Students may be assigned seats in district vehicles in attempt to limit contact as students get on and leave the bus. Surfaces will be disinfected between routes
Facility usage by outside organizations	• Use of Callaway Public School Facilities by outside groups will be allowed per local DHM's.
Extracurricular Activities	 Guidance from Nebraska School Activity Association, Nebraska Department of Education, and local public health officials will be followed for all extracurricular activities.