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Student Services Return Protocol for 2021-2022
Board Action August 9th, 2021, December 13th 2021 and June 13th, 2022
Reviewed on September 13th, 2021 and January 10th 2022
All Plans on this Document are Subject to Change with Administration Action

Pre-Screening for Students: We encourage parents to screen their children at home before school starts. Please keep your children home if sick. Students with a temperature of 100 or higher will need to be isolated and parents will be expected to pick them up from school.

Vaccination: We encourage families to vaccinate students based on current CDC guidance but will not be requiring Covid-19 vaccinations.
Current guidance provides for all student 12 years and older to receive a vaccination.

Transportation: Social Distancing will be hard to achieve when riding the school bus. We offer bus routes as an option for parents; it is up to every family whether you want your children to ride or not.

Pick-Up/Drop-Off of Students: We would encourage parents stay in their vehicle during pick-up and drop-off when possible.

Masks: At this time masks are optional and not a requirement. The school district at some point this year may require masks on district property and in school vehicles. Masks should cover nose and mouth.

Hand Washing/Hand Sanitizing: Hand Sanitizer will be available in all classrooms. Bathroom breaks will be scheduled in such a way as to discourage a lack of social distancing and encourage frequent handwashing. The school district encourages both handwashing and respiratory etiquette.

Surface Cleaning: Surfaces will be cleaned with FDEA approved cleaners.

Restrooms: We will use a privacy wall in front of the restroom entrances, so there will be no reason to open and close the door.

Dressing for Physical Education: We will socially distance and stagger times for dressing in locker rooms for PE.

Visitors to School: To limit outside exposure, we will limit access to persons who are not school employees or students. Please make an appointment when you would like to visit.

Response to Students who become COVID symptomatic during the day: The Castlewood School District will follow guidance from the South Dakota Department of Health. If a student or staff member becomes sick with COVID-19 symptoms during the school day, the student/staff member will be sent home.

Positive Cases: COVID Positive test will result in a 5-day isolation requirement for both students and staff. On day 6, students and staff may return to school if asymptomatic and masks recommended. If a student or staff member becomes sick at school, they will be sent home as soon as possible.

Accessibility: Castlewood School District 28-1 does not discriminate in its educational programs on the basis of race, color, creed, religion, age, sex, disability, national origin, ancestry, or family/marital status. For special accommodations regarding COVID or any other health & safety policies, please contact the Special Education Director at 605-793-2351. Castlewood School District, 310 E. Harry Street, Castlewood SD 57223.

- The district will continue to work with state and local health officials to coordinate efforts to keep students safe and healthy, given the ongoing presence of COVID in our communities and state.
- For questions regarding the district's 2021-2022 Return to School Protocol, please contact Superintendent Peter Books at Peter.Books@k12.sd.us or 605-793-2351.