



ICMS Parents, Guardians, and Community Members,

Last night, Monday, November 9, 2020, our board members met and decided it would be best for our students to come back to the building in a **hybrid manner at the semester, January 4th, 2021.**

Hybrid means half our students, whose families choose to have them in the building, will be in the building for two days. The other half of our student population will come two different days. The odd day will be used for deep cleaning of the building, teachers meetings, planning, and grading.

For those who are not comfortable with their student being back in the building even at a reduced number of students, the semester long Edgenuity option is still available. We will send out a form to EVERY family asking if parents would like their students to move to or stay on Edgenuity **OR** if they still want to have their students come to the building in January.

After working with our plans for COVID-19, and learning from what other districts have done successfully, we have come up with alternative ways to move forward with school for our students, faculty, and staff. With that in mind, we have an updated policy to share with you.

Guiding principles:

In order to ensure the continued well being of all our students and employees, the following guiding principles have been put in place:

1. Employee and Student Safety Measures
2. Input From School and Community Members
3. Following Health Guidelines
4. Support for Families
5. Equitable Access to Instruction

Safety measures:

- Students will have their temperature taken and attestation questions answered prior to them exiting their vehicle to enter the school building
- Ion machine for HVAC to “deactivate” viruses has been installed

- Masks or face shields will be required at all times for everyone in the building except for PE and outside time when social distancing of 6 feet is possible.
- Hand sanitizer stations will be posted throughout the school
- Plexiglass dividers will be set up for cafeteria tables
- Floor circles will be applied in the cafeteria in order to keep students at a safe social distance when in the cafeteria line
- Students will be required to mask and glove up when exiting the cafeteria to the courtyard
- Students will maintain a 6 foot distance from others within the classroom
- Sports will follow the guidelines set forth by OSSAA and the ICMS governance board
 - Athletics will resume in January with the return of students to the building
 - Guidelines will be sent at a later date

Classroom / Curriculum:

- Flipped classroom
 - 3 days a week instruction online in Google Classroom
 - 2 days a week students will practice content with teachers
- Students will come to school in either Group 1 or 2:
 - Group 1 will be in the building Monday and Tuesday
 - Group 2 will be in the building Thursday and Friday
 - Wednesdays will be for deep-cleaning, meetings with students, meetings as staff, grading, etc.
 - Students will be divided by last name alphabetically; however, households and carpool groups will be kept together (School will collect this information via a Google Form)

Students:

- **Students will not be allowed to enter the building prior to 7:30am**
- Students may bring backpacks to school and keep them with them throughout the day
- Temperatures taken and COVID-19 attestation questions answered each morning before the student exits the car
- Students will get their breakfast (if they are eating it), and take their food to their classroom
- Will wear masks/face shields except when eating or given permission for a mask break.
- Use the hand sanitizer provided in each classroom.
- Wash hands with soap and water regularly.
- Stay 6ft apart from other people (kids and adults) at all times
- Respect plexiglass barriers
- Stay out of the taped off teacher area in the classrooms
- Sit in your assigned seat in each classroom
- **Backpacks will be allowed** to be kept with the student throughout the day; however, students will be required to keep their backpacks under their desks
- Phones will be turned off and put away in backpacks during school hours

- Students must wear a mask or face shield and glove up before exiting the cafeteria to the courtyard at lunch
- Come to school with their Chromebook fully charged

Visitors:

Will be kept to a minimum. Should a visitor need to come to the building, they will have to submit to a temperature check and the attestation questions, wear a mask, and follow all protocols in place.

Updates on Covid policies and after school pick up:

If a student or teacher begins exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19 during the school day, he or she will be sent home immediately, pending a test result OR 10 days quarantine. If the test comes back negative, the person may return to school.

If a student or teacher is determined to have been in close contact with someone who has a confirmed case of COVID-19, he or she will be required to quarantine for a period of 5 days, and then test or quarantine for another 10 days (quarantine for a total of 15 days).

- If after the 10-day quarantine period, the teacher/student shows no symptoms of COVID-19, he or she may return to school.
- If one chooses to test, a negative result means they may return to school.
- If a positive test is obtained, they must be quarantined for 10 days, and return only when symptom free for 24 hours after the 10 days.

If a student or teacher has a confirmed case of COVID-19, he or she will be isolated immediately, sent home for a minimum of 10 days, and will be required to be symptom free for 24 hours. In addition, the areas in the building the teacher/student was in for longer than 15 minutes will be sanitized ASAP.

Dismissal will be as follows:

- 8th grade will release at 2:50, and they will be picked up on the North side of the school, in the circle drive.
- 7th grade will release at 2:55, and they will be picked up outside the gym on the south side of the school.
- 6th grade will release at 3:00, and they will be picked up in front of the school on the west side of the building.

Cell Phones:

Students may carry their cell phones with them, but they must be turned off and put in their backpacks during school hours. If a phone is seen in class, the phone will be taken and sent to the office, and a parent will need to come pick the phone up.

COVID-19 Protocols for ICMS 2020-2021

	Green (<1.43)	Yellow (1.43-14.2)	Orange (14.2-50)	Red (>50)
Teachers/Office Staff	Will work at school with mandatory COVID-19 protocols in place.	Will work at school with mandatory COVID-19 protocols in place.		All required to work from home
Students	All traditional students in the building with mandatory COVID-19 protocols in place.	Hybrid Learning: ½ of the student population in the building M/T; the other ½ Th/F. Mandatory COVID-19 protocols in place. Students utilize Google Classroom on the 3 days they are not in the building to complete work.		Virtual Learning for traditional students using Google Meets & Google Classroom