

# Midway School Reopening School Plan 2020-21



**\*\*In-person Instruction\*\***

**Students attend School 5 days a week**

**7:50 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.**

# Guiding Principles

- ❖ Plan to reopen in a manner consistent with guidance released by the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) COVID-19 Industry Guidance for schools and school based programs; the California Department of Education (CDE); and Kern County Public Health Department (KCPHD).
- ❖ Take great care to protect the safety of our students and staff.
- ❖ Ensure that we are available to answer any questions or concerns from all of our stakeholders.
- ❖ Ensure quality instruction is being developed and offered to all students.
- ❖ Ensure student engagement and accountability in both learning environments – on Campus or distance learning.

# Transportation

- ❖ Bus will be disinfected before and after AM/PM scheduled trips.
- ❖ Bus driver will perform temperature checks with a non-touch thermometer for each student before boarding bus (100.4 degrees or higher will not be allowed to attend school).
- ❖ Hand sanitizer will be provided by bus driver and required before boarding bus.
- ❖ One student per seat / up to three to a seat with students living in the same house.
- ❖ face masks will be required (all students TK-8) for both scheduled trips.
- ❖ Students will be seated starting from the rear of the bus and then released from the front of bus, preventing students from walking by each other.

# On Campus Before School Starts

7:40 a.m. – 7:50 a.m.

- ❖ Temperature checks for all staff with non-touch thermometer (100.4 degrees or higher have to go home).
- ❖ Classrooms will be disinfected daily before students arrive each day.
- ❖ Main gate will open at 7:40 a.m. for student drop-off.
- ❖ Students temperatures will be checked before they get out of car – Drive-up area will be marked off.
- ❖ Parents will not be allowed to walk students to class.
- ❖ Kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup> grades will be required to wear a face mask.
- ❖ Please have students come to school with their own face mask. We will supply one at school if needed.
- ❖ Staff will monitor from outside their classroom door to ensure students walk straight to class with the minimum of 6 feet social distancing.
- ❖ Each class will have markers on the ground outside their classes to ensure students are socially distancing while lining up.

# In The Classroom

- ❖ Students will come to school with a water bottle to limit movement and contact. They will have access to safely refill their bottles in the classroom.
- ❖ Students will hand sanitize before entering the classroom - sanitizer will be provided.
- ❖ Each student will be assigned a Chromebook computer.
- ❖ Student desks will be 6 feet apart.
- ❖ Students will need permission to be excused from their seat.
- ❖ Teacher and aide will wear a face shield or face mask when in class with students.
- ❖ Students will have to wash hands / hand sanitizer before exiting and returning from restroom or the office.
- ❖ Each class will have assigned restrooms to manage movement and contact.
- ❖ Facial tissues will be provided by the district and mounted or weighted down so students do not have to touch tissue box.
- ❖ Teacher will utilize technology as much as possible to limit staff and student movement.
- ❖ Students will have set times to select reading books.
- ❖ Plexiglass/sneeze guards will be utilized as needed for added protection – in the office and teacher desks.
- ❖ HVAC system filters have been changed and outside air will be circulated continuously into the classrooms. Filters will be replaced regularly.

# Recess

- ❖ Wash hands / hand sanitize before exiting to recess.
- ❖ Masks will not be required while outdoors.
- ❖ Three recess periods (K-3) (4-6) (7-8) - this will help with monitoring social distancing.
- ❖ Outside water fountains will be shut off.
- ❖ students will need permission from recess aide to use restroom.
- ❖ Only one student in the restroom at a time.
- ❖ No sharing of snacks. There will be designated snack areas with social distancing.
- ❖ Students will line up on ground markers outside of classes to assist with social distancing.
- ❖ Activities will be limited to ensure social distancing: hula hoops, dancing, jump ropes. There will be designated play areas.
- ❖ Play equipment will need to be checked out and then cleaned in-between recess periods.
- ❖ Hand sanitizer will be used before entering back into the classroom.

# Lunch

- ❖ Three separate lunch sessions for grades(k-3) (4-6) (7-8).
- ❖ Cleaning between lunch sessions.
- ❖ All students will have assigned seating with social distancing of 6 feet.
- ❖ Ground markers to guide and socially distance students through food line.
- ❖ No sharing of food.
- ❖ Cafeteria staff and recess aides will wear facial masks.
- ❖ Social distancing and face masks will be required when walking to and from cafeteria.

# Visitors

- ❖ No classroom volunteers.
- ❖ Dropping items off for students / general business will only occur at main office (hand sanitizer and facial mask required).
- ❖ Must adhere to all COVID-19 safety protocols when attending an assessment, IEP or governance meeting on campus. Video conferencing should be utilized when practicable.



# Field Trips / Assemblies

- ❖ No physical field trips - Consider virtual field trips.
- ❖ All events are currently cancelled (Sports, dances, carnival, oral language, Christmas program, etc).
- ❖ Assemblies in the auditorium are currently not allowed.

# Distance Learning

- ❖ We are currently utilizing “Clever” a single sign-on system to simplify the log-in procedure for students working in class or remotely. Students will be able to access: online textbooks, resources, educational websites and turn in assignments.
- ❖ We are also planning on utilizing “Canvas” learning management system to assist with delivering assignments, instruction, video conferencing and grading.
- ❖ Students will be required to stay on a set schedule that will allow them to receive assignments, turn in work and receive any support they might require from their teacher (7:50 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.)
- ❖ Full accountability and grading expectations will be consistent with students attending school in-person.
- ❖ Students will not be allowed to transition between distance learning and in-person instruction within a quarter, unless approved by the Superintendent. Students with COVID-19 symptoms or positive tests will need to distance learn during the stay at home period.

# Protocol for Failed Screening

- ❖ Temperature checks for all staff and students at the beginning of each day (100.4 degrees or higher have to go home).
- ❖ Relocate potentially exposed students and staff to the nurses office to isolate before departing school.
- ❖ Send potentially exposed students/staff home until KCPHD can conduct contact tracing to confirm or deny exposure.
- ❖ Individuals will need a doctor's note allowing them to return back to school when temperature exceeds 100.4 degrees.
- ❖ Individuals with COVID-19 symptoms will need to be tested and quarantined for a minimum of 10 days, and fever-free for 24 hours before returning to school.
- ❖ individuals who test positive for COVID-19 to provide a medical clearance note from a doctor or a clearance note from a Public Health Nurse before returning to school.
- ❖ Under the guidance of California Department of Public Health (CDPH) and Kern County Public Health Department (KCPHD), the District shall test staff periodically as testing capacity permits and as practicable. Staff shall be tested every two months with 25% of staff being tested every two weeks to rotate testing of all staff over time.

# Considerations For Partial or Total Closure

- \* We will check state and local orders and health department notices daily about transmission in the area or closures and adjust operations accordingly.
- \* Consult with local public health department when a student, teacher or staff member tests positive for COVID-19.
- \* Classroom (Cohort) will close when there is one positive case.
- \* Deep cleaning of spaces where positive COVID-19 individual visited.
- \* Distance learning when isolation is necessary.
- \* School will close when multiple classes have confirmed cases or 5% of the students/staff have confirmed positive cases. Superintendent has the authority to close school campus at any point if he deems it necessary for the safety of staff and students.