

# Lamar R-1 School Reopening Plan

**Goal:** To provide the safest environment for students, staff, and the community and limit exposure to the COVID virus in the best way possible.

The Lamar R-1 School District continues to plan for the reopening of all Lamar Schools for the 2020-2021 school year on August 24th. District leadership is in constant collaboration with the health department, surrounding schools, and the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education to ensure the most thoughtful and informed response to the COVID-19 situation. Please remember that these decisions are fluid and may continue to change as we monitor new research, guidance from health and education organizations, and our community needs.

**Visitors In All Buildings:** Visitors should wear a mask once inside the building. All visitors will report directly to the office. The administration reserves the right to limit visitors to ensure the safety of the school community.

**Kindergarten - 5th Grade:** It is recommended, but not required that students and staff wear masks throughout the school day.

## In Classrooms

- Staff will limit exposure to students and from student-to-student in the best way possible
- Students will wash their hands or sanitize when they enter the classroom
- Students will have individual supplies (crayons, pencils, etc.)

## ● During Transitions

- Staff will be required to wear masks while in the hallway and during transitions
- Students will use the restroom in small groups (table groups)

## ● Recess

- East Primary
  - Grade levels will use both playgrounds
  - One grade level will be outside at a time
  - Two classes will use each playground (classes already in contact with each other)
- West Elementary
  - One grade level will be on the playground at a time

## ● Special Classes (Music, Art, P.E., Library, Speech, Special Education, Title, and other Special Services)

- If social distancing is not possible teachers will be required to wear masks during instruction
- Classrooms will be disinfected in between classes
- If needed students will bring their individual supplies

## ● Cafeteria

- Staff will be required to wear masks in the cafeteria
- No Visitors will be allowed
- East Primary
  - Two classes of a grade level will eat in the cafeteria. The other two classes will eat in their classroom. Classes will take turns eating in the cafeteria and their classrooms
  - Students will sit socially distanced
  - Trays will be prepared by staff
  - Fruit bar will be removed
  - Kindergarten will eat breakfast in the cafeteria
  - First and Second graders will take breakfast to their classrooms
- West
  - One grade level at a time in the cafeteria
  - Students will sit socially distanced
  - Self-serve food bars will be removed
  - Trays will be prepared by staff
  - Students will eat breakfast in the cafeteria socially distanced

## ● Pick-Up / Drop-Off

- Students will walk into the school independently
- Students will go straight to their classrooms
- Students will be dismissed by announcing buses
- Students will be dismissed to their car with a pick-up line
- Transportation requirements will be announced at a later date

**6th- 12th Grade:** It is strongly recommended that students and staff wear masks throughout the school day.

## ● In Classrooms

- Staff will wear masks at all times when social distancing is not possible
- Students will be strongly encouraged to wear masks
- Classrooms will be arranged for social distancing when possible
- Teachers will use assigned seating
- Common supplies will not be used. Students will be expected to have necessary supplies including their own device (provided by Lamar R-1)
- Hand sanitizer will be available in classrooms

## ● During Transitions

- Students will be highly encouraged to wear masks during all transitions

## ● Cafeteria

- Food options will change so there is less contact with utensils and food containers
- Self-serve food bars will be removed and trays will be prepared by staff
- Extra seating areas may be provided including outdoor spaces
- Visitors will not be allowed to eat with students

## ● Before and After School

- More seating/waiting areas will be made available
- Students will be released and expected to exit the building immediately
- Bus students will be released prior to parent pickup/driving students and be required to wear masks on buses

As the development of this plan continues, we will update all stakeholders in a timely manner. If you have any questions or concerns, please email [tigers@lamar.k12.mo.us](mailto:tigers@lamar.k12.mo.us)