




# An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure...

"Refrigerator Reminders" for Face-to-Face instruction at Mt. Pleasant Public Schools:

## COVID-19 SYMPTOMS


- Fever (over 100.4)
- Shortness of breath
- New loss of taste/smell
- Fatigue
- Congestion/runny noses
- Sore throat
- Headache
- Muscle/body aches
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea



**Any person experiencing symptoms is asked not to enter our buildings.**

## HEALTH SCREENING

- Parent/guardian is expected to screen students for symptoms of COVID-19 (listed above) each day. **Any student showing symptoms should stay home from school.** Staff is expected to self-screen, as well and stay home when ill.
- If a student becomes ill at school, they will be isolated in a designated area with a designated staff member until they are picked up from school by an authorized person.
- **If a student or staff member THINKS or KNOWS they have COVID-19,** they should stay home and contact their building office for next steps, which will be determined by the Central Michigan District Health Department.



## SOCIAL DISTANCING

- Markings and signs to remind students, staff and essential visitors to remain at least 6 feet apart will be placed throughout the building.
- Students and staff will be discouraged from sharing supplies/personal items.
- Where beneficial, hallways will be made one-way and separate exits and entrances will be designated to minimize face-to-face encounters in tight spaces.
- Students will be required to register with transportation to ride the bus.

## CLEANING & HYGIENE

- Handwashing with soap and water for 20 seconds is one of the best measures to take to prevent the spread of COVID-19. Students will be provided extra opportunities for handwashing.
- There will be a schedule of checking sanitizer stations, soap dispensers and sinks that they are filled/in working order.
- Hand washing stations will be provided in every classroom and throughout the buildings.
- Schools will maintain a strict routine of cleaning and disinfecting high-touch surfaces. Classrooms will be cleaned daily and sanitized in between each class.
- Drinking fountains will be out of service with the exception of bottle fillers. Students are asked to bring a water bottle for personal use

**\*\*Every MPPS student must be screened for COVID symptoms every day by their parent/guardian before leaving for school.\*\***


## MASKS

Face masks must be worn by students and visitors up to age 12 inside school buildings, and anywhere on school grounds, including outside when individuals may be within 6 feet of each other. For students, school staff, and visitors 12 and over, face masks will be parent/guardian choice. Face masks are strongly recommended for ALL students and staff members who are not fully vaccinated.

Exceptions include:

- Someone who is incapacitated without assistance.
- Someone who is unable to remove a mask without assistance.
- Someone who has been approved for a medical or behavioral health exemption. This will require an approved "Medical Mask Exemption Form".
- Anyone who is eating or drinking.
- Students participating in outdoor strenuous physical activity (i.e., for phys. ed. or athletics) while practicing social distancing.

Regardless of the mask policy at school or vaccination status, passengers and drivers **MUST** wear a mask on school buses, including on buses operated by public and private school systems, subject to the exclusions and exemptions in CDC's Order. **THIS IS A FEDERAL REGULATION.**



A student not wearing a mask when required will be offered a mask by staff. If the student refuses to wear the mask, they will be sent home. Repeated occurrences may result in the student being moved to remote learning if available. Masks will be subject to the MPPS dress code.