



RULH Local Schools
Home of the Blue Jays

Fall 2020 Reopening Plan (Board approved on July 16th, 2020)

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INTRODUCTION

On July 2, 2020, Governor Mike DeWine outlined the following health and safety guidelines for reopening Ohio's schools.

- Vigilantly assess for symptoms
- Wash and sanitize hands to prevent spread
- Thoroughly clean and sanitize school environment to limit spread of shared surfaces
- Practice social distancing
- Implement face coverings policy

RULH has embedded all five guidelines within the District's Reopening Plan through specific processes, procedures, and expectations for employees, parents, and students. It is extremely important that these expectations be followed to best prevent the spread of the virus within the school environment. These together will help keep our employees and students safe and healthy.

Brown County Common Reopening Agreement

Brown County School Superintendents and the Brown County Health Department collaboratively compiled a list of general principles that will guide each school district as they move forward with reopening schools throughout Brown County:

1. Each school district will implement recommended safety protocols to the highest degree possible
2. Each school district will work closely with the Brown County Health Department to promote safety in each school building;
3. Each school district will be transparent with all stakeholders that some level of risk will always be present when children and school district employees occupy school district facilities.
4. School districts recognize the need for consistency in areas of operations while recognizing that individual differences in classroom sizes, school facilities, and building operations may lead to some inconsistencies.
5. School districts are planning to maintain their previously approved school calendars with some possible front-loading of employee professional development.

RATIONALE and SUMMARY of RULH Face Covering Policy

Wearing face coverings is especially important, particularly when social distancing is not possible. The school will consistently strive to practice the maximum amount of social distancing whenever and wherever possible but, unfortunately, a school setting is especially high risk for community spread if these precautions are not followed. Although children are less likely to become severely ill, they often are carriers of the virus and can spread it to school staff or family members at home, some of whom may be high-risk. Additionally, those family members can then carry the virus to others in workplace and community settings.

Mask Policy - Students in grades 3rd-12th grade

Students in 3rd grade and higher are **required** to wear a face covering while riding the bus, when in the hallways, restrooms, and other common areas unless they are unable to do so for a health or developmental reason. It is important for students to understand the best way to put on their face covering or take off their face covering to limit exposure to the virus. Washing and / or sanitizing hands will be encouraged whenever face coverings are put on or taken off.

Students in grades 3-12 will be required to wear a mask in the following areas:

- While Riding the School Bus
- When entering and exiting the buildings
- In hallways and common areas
- In large group settings
- In the Restrooms
- In Office areas
- When moving around classrooms

Students in grades 3-12 are recommended to wear a mask in the classroom. Students may remove their mask in the classroom if they are socially distanced and seated.

Mask Policy - Students in Preschool – 2nd grade

Students in preschool through 2nd grade are **required to wear a face covering**. Students in grades preschool through 2nd grade will be provided a Blue Jay face shield and a Blue Jay mask. Parents may choose which is most comfortable for their child.

Students in grades preschool through 2nd grade are recommended to wear a mask in the classroom. Students may remove their mask in the classroom if they are socially distanced and seated.

School Employees

RULH school employees and visitors are required to wear face coverings when in our schools. There may be exceptions for school employees not to wear a face covering particularly when it is unsafe to do so or where doing so would significantly interfere with learning. Some exceptions include:

- When facial coverings in the school setting are prohibited by law or regulation.
- When facial coverings are in violation of documented industry standards.
- When facial coverings are not advisable for health reasons.
- When facial coverings are not required when the employee works alone in their assigned work area or classroom.
- When there is a functional (practical) reason for an employee not to wear a facial covering in the workplace or classroom.

When an employee cannot wear a mask or face shield due to a medical issue, the employee must submit a letter from their doctor stating that the employee's health would be negatively impacted by wearing a mask or face shield. In most situations, when an employee cannot wear a mask, a face shield may be the better alternative.

RULH must provide written justification to local health officials, upon request, explaining why a staff member is not required to wear a facial covering in the school. At minimum, facial coverings (masks) should be cloth/fabric and cover an individual's nose, mouth, and chin.

School nurses or staff who care for individuals with illness symptoms must use appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE), provided by the school, in accordance with OSHA standards.

Face Shields

Face shields that wrap around the face and extend below the chin can be considered as an alternative where cloth face coverings would hinder the learning process. Some situations where face shields would be useful include:

- When interacting with students, such as those with disabilities, where communication could be impacted.
- When interacting with English-language learners or when teaching a foreign language.
- Settings where cloth masks might present a safety hazard (i.e. science labs.)
- For younger students or other individuals who have difficulty wearing a cloth face covering.
- When explicit instruction is needed such as: learning a foreign language, receiving speech therapy, developing phonemic awareness, or learning phonics. Some instructional activities may require students to view a teacher's face during the lesson.

Temperature Checks

RULH has purchased thermal temperature gates for each building. Students will walk through the gates to have their temperature checked when they enter the building each day. Staff will also have their temperature checked when they enter the building each day.

Transportation Considerations

Students who are being transported to school via school buses are at an increased risk for transmission by nature of being in an enclosed space for an extended period. Additionally, buses often transport children from multiple grade levels from different parts of the community increasing the risk of exposure.

It is required all K-12 students wear masks while being transported on school buses and entering / exiting school buildings. As students get on the bus, hand sanitizer will be used to add another safety precaution for the ride to or from school. RULH strives to seat family members together and adhere to strict seating charts to limit exposure to other students.

Breakfast and Lunch Considerations

While students are eating, face coverings are not feasible. In eating areas, social distancing and other safety precautions (at or below 50% capacity) will be practiced mitigating the risk of exposure to the virus. Each student will be asked to wash their hands before going to lunch and / or use hand sanitizer when entering the cafeteria line.

Blue Jay Face Coverings

Employees and students will be provided Blue Jay masks each nine weeks. We ask that parents wash their student's Blue Jay masks at least once or twice a week and shields be cleaned on a regular basis. It would be advantageous to write your student's name inside their mask so school employees can easily identify the mask's owner. Keeping our masks and shields clean is another important way we can decrease the risk to COVID-19.

Employees will also be provided with a Blue Jay shield. They may choose to wear this if they would prefer an extra layer of protection.

Students in preschool through 2nd grade will be provided with the Blue Jay masks and a Blue Jay shield. Parents may choose which item is more comfortable for their child.

School Options for RULH Students

The RULH Local School District has created a detailed plan with two school options that will be provided during the Covid19 Pandemic:

1. **School Based Learning-** Students at school and in buildings daily with safety precautions in place. (REMOTE LEARNING) will occur if school is closed due to Coronavirus
2. **Virtual Learning-** RULH student stays at home daily and is enrolled in an online individualized learning program provided by RULH. Students will remain an RULH student and complete all studies at home. Students may still participate in extracurricular activities. Students who choose this option are required to remain on virtual learning for an entire semester.

RULH SAFETY PRECAUTIONS TAKEN for the 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR:

- Purchased masks for all students in grades preschool through 12.
- Purchased shields for all students in preschool through 2nd grade.
- Purchased masks and shields for all teachers and staff members.
- Purchased two temperature gateways for each school building to check temperatures.
- Purchased three Clorox 360 Electrostatic Sprayers to disinfect classrooms and buses daily.
- Purchased hand sanitizing stations for all classrooms, hallways, gyms, and cafeterias.
- Purchasing Needlepoint Bi-Polar Ionizers for compatible H-Vac systems.

OPTION 1- STUDENTS IN-PERSON AND IN-BUILDINGS DAILY WITH SAFETY PROTOCOLS

Classrooms

Student and Parent/Caregiver Expectations	Staff Expectations
<p><u>Parents/Caregivers</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Conduct a student wellness check including temperature prior to sending a student to school. Students with temperatures over 100°F should stay home.• Provide a mask or shield for your student to wear when needed during small group instruction. <p><u>Students</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Wearing a mask or shield is required when entering, exiting, or moving around the room.• Wearing a mask is recommended when seated and properly socially distanced in the classroom. A student may choose not to wear a mask in this scenario.• Wearing a mask or shield is required when working directly with staff (i.e.- one-on-one, small group instruction, etc.) when distancing cannot be maintained..• Wearing a mask or shield is required when working closely with other students in small groups or lab settings.• Maintain maximum physical distance from peers whenever possible.• Obtain a paper towel when entering the room to wipe any residual cleaner before being seated (when age appropriate). <p><u>Building differences as noted</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Students in grades 5-12 will clean desks and seats at the conclusion of each class.	<p><u>Teachers/Aides/Secretaries/Cooks</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ensure classroom setup of desks provides physical distancing for students.• All school staff and volunteers are required to wear face masks unless it is unsafe to do so or where doing so would significantly interfere with the learning process.• Ensure students maintain physical distancing whenever possible.• Provide reminders, issue warnings, contact parents/caregivers, and report repeated expectation violators to the office.• Eliminate shared classroom materials.• Keep the classroom door open to maximize airflow and reduce the number of touches to door handles.• Use supplies provided to spray desks, chairs, and any common materials needed before new students transition into the room, <p><u>Custodians</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• All school staff and volunteers are required to wear face masks.• Make sure teachers are provided with all supplies needed daily including disinfectant, hand sanitizer and paper towels.• Disinfect classrooms during teacher plan period, during lunch, and after school. <p><u>Administration</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• All school staff and volunteers are required to wear face masks.• Ensure classrooms are physically distanced.• Ensure classrooms are disinfected between classes, during plan periods, lunch, and after school.• Ensure supplies are readily available for custodians and teaching staff.

OPTION 1- STUDENTS IN-PERSON AND IN-BUILDINGS DAILY WITH SAFETY PROTOCOLS

Hallways, Lockers, Playground and Common Areas

Student and Parent/Caregiver Expectations	Staff Expectations
<p><u>Parents/Caregivers</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Provide a mask or shield for your student to wear when in hallways or at lockers. ● Provide your student with a bottle of water daily as water fountains will not be available for use. ● Parents may opt their child out of recess. <p><u>Students</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Wearing a mask or shield is required when in hallways or at lockers. ● Wearing a mask is recommended on the playground. ● Report immediately to your classroom, upon arrival to school. ● Carry a water bottle as water fountains will not be available for use. ● Follow all signage in the hallways and common areas. ● When possible, stay to the right when traveling down hallways and using stairs. ● Follow locker use schedules as provided by staff for buildings who issue lockers. <p><u>Building differences as noted</u></p> <p><u>RULH Elementary School</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Access assigned cubbies only during scheduled time provided by the classroom teacher. ● When standing in hallways, students must stand on markings/dots on the floor to ensure safe social distancing. <p><u>RULH Middle School</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Locker use will be with teacher permission, before/after lunch, and at the end of the school day with teacher permission. <p><u>RULH High School</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Follow established procedures concerning locker use. 	<p><u>Teachers/Aides/Secretaries/Cooks</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● All school staff and volunteers are required to wear face masks unless it is unsafe to do so or where doing so would significantly interfere with the learning process. ● Supervise hallways and common areas to ensure students are reporting immediately to class and not congregating in hallways or common areas. ● Provide reminders, issue warnings, contact parents/caregivers, and report repeated expectation violators to the office. ● Supervise implementation of locker use schedule to minimize congestion in hallways for buildings who issue lockers. <p><u>Custodians</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● All school staff and volunteers are required to wear face masks. ● Disinfect common areas based on a schedule provided by school administration. This includes but is not limited to door handles, handrails, toilets, stalls, and sinks. ● Disinfect playground after usage. <p><u>Administration</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● All school staff and volunteers are required to wear face masks. ● Ensure proper signage is installed in hallways and common areas. ● Ensure supplies are readily available for custodians. ● Provide reminders, issue warnings, contact parents/caregivers, and issue consequences to repeated expectation violators. ● Develop and implement locker use schedules for buildings where lockers are issued to students. ● Implement staggered dismissal times if necessary to maximize physical distancing and student safety. <p><u>Building differences as noted</u></p> <p><u>RULH Elementary School</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Provide and monitor cubby use schedules to minimize congestion at the cubbies during arrival and dismissal. ● When standing in the hallway or playground, ensure students are maintaining safe social distance by standing on floor markings.

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Dropoff, Pick Up, and Visitors

Student and Parent/Caregiver Expectations	Staff Expectations
<p><u>Parents/Caregivers</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conduct a student wellness check including temperature prior to sending a student to school. Students with temperatures over 100°F should stay home. • Provide a mask or shield for your student to wear on the bus and while at school when needed. • Limit visits to school as much as possible. • Conduct a personal health screening prior to coming to a school building and do not come if you are running a fever higher than 100° or showing other symptoms • Follow posted guidelines and read all signage whenever entering the building. • Wearing a mask or shield is recommended when entering the building. <p><u>Students</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students who are dropped off at school and students who ride the bus in the morning are required to walk through the thermal temperature gate when they enter the school foyer. • Wearing a mask or shield is required when entering, exiting, or moving around the building. • Report directly to your assigned classroom/area upon arrival to school. • Maintain maximum physical distance from peers whenever possible in hallways, common areas, offices, etc. 	<p><u>Teachers/Aides/Secretaries/Cooks</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff are required to have their temperatures checked and documented as they enter the building. • All school staff and volunteers are required to wear face masks unless it is unsafe to do so or where doing so would significantly interfere with the learning process. • Supervise hallways and common areas to ensure students are reporting immediately to assigned class and not congregating in hallways or common areas. • Provide reminders, issue warnings, contact parents/caregivers, and report repeated expectation violators to the office. <p><u>Custodians</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All school staff and volunteers are required to wear face masks. • Disinfect common areas based on a schedule provided by school administration. This includes but is not limited to door handles, handrails, toilets, stalls, counters, and sinks. • Ensure designated doors are propped open at arrival and dismissal. • Ensure designated doors are closed after arrival and dismissal. <p><u>Administration</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All school staff and volunteers are required to wear face masks. • Ensure adequate supervision is available on bus lots, in parking lots, and in common areas of the building. • Ensure proper signage is installed in hallways and common areas. • Ensure supplies are readily available for custodians. • Provide reminders, issue warnings, contact parents/caregivers, and issue consequences to repeated expectation violators. • Ensure designated doors are propped open at arrival and dismissal. • Ensure designated doors are closed after arrival and dismissal. • Eliminate parent and community volunteers to ensure safety and health of students and staff. • Implement staggered dismissal times if necessary to maximize physical distancing and student safety. <p><u>Building differences as noted</u></p> <p><u>RULH Elementary School:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Due to preschool guidelines, assigned staff must check temperatures of preschool students upon arrival.

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Transportation

Student and Parent/Caregiver Expectations	Staff Expectations
<p data-bbox="107 358 348 386"><u>Parents/Caregivers</u></p> <ul data-bbox="155 396 993 581" style="list-style-type: none">● Conduct a student wellness check including temperature prior to sending a student to school. Students with temperatures over 100°F should stay home.● Provide a mask or shield for your student to wear on the bus and while at school when needed. If you cannot provide a mask, the school will provide one. <p data-bbox="107 586 218 613"><u>Students</u></p> <ul data-bbox="155 623 1031 841" style="list-style-type: none">● Maintain appropriate physical distancing while at the bus stop, on bus lots, and while entering the building.● Students are required to wear a mask or shield while riding the bus.● Sit two per seat on the bus and sit in your assigned seat.● Remain seated, facing forward while riding the bus.● Students should avoid touching seats while entering and exiting the bus.	<p data-bbox="1060 358 1155 386"><u>Drivers</u></p> <ul data-bbox="1108 391 1986 704" style="list-style-type: none">● Drivers are required to wear a mask while students are on the bus.● Provide reminders to students of bus expectations- 2 per seat, wearing masks or face shields, seated facing forward.● Provide reminders, issue warnings, contact parents/caregivers, and report repeated expectation violators to the office.● Ensure the bus is disinfected following outlined safety protocols.● Drivers are required to wear a mask when they enter the school building.● Drivers are required to walk through the thermal temperature gates to have their temperature checked when they enter a school. <p data-bbox="1060 709 1440 737"><u>School/District Administration</u></p> <ul data-bbox="1108 742 1965 954" style="list-style-type: none">● All school staff and volunteers are required to wear face masks.● Reduce the number of transfers and overall time on buses for students.● Monitor drop off and dismissal to ensure students do not congregate in groups.● Provide consequences, including loss of privilege to ride the bus to those who violate rules.

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Meetings and Conferences

Student and Parent/Caregiver Expectations	Staff Expectations
<p><u>Parents/Caregivers</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Notify the school of your preference to attend meetings in person, via phone, or using a virtual platform.• Conduct a personal health screening prior to coming to a school building and do not come if you are running a fever higher than 100°F or showing other symptoms.• Parents/Caregivers are required to walk through the thermal temperature gate when they enter the school foyer.• In person meetings should follow appropriate physical distancing protocols and it is required that masks be worn when entering, exiting, and moving around the building.• If attending the meeting in person, the parent/caregiver is required to wear a mask. <p><u>Students</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Participate in meetings as requested by parents/caregivers or school staff.• Follow physical distancing protocols.• Wearing a mask or shield is required when entering the meeting, exiting the meeting, or when moving around the building to attend the meeting.	<p><u>Teachers/Aides</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• All school staff and volunteers are required to wear face masks when attending meetings in person.• When possible, attend meetings from the classroom using video technology. <p><u>Custodians</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• All school staff and volunteers are required to wear face masks when attending meetings in person.• Clean and disinfect conference rooms after meetings or provide materials for cleaning and disinfecting to take place. <p><u>Administration</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• All school staff and volunteers are required to wear face masks when attending meetings in person.• Provide parents/caregivers with options for in-person, phone, or video conferencing.• Ensure physical distancing guidelines are followed as much as possible when in-person meetings are held.• Ensure physical space used for meetings allows for distancing guidelines

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Health Services

Student and Parent/Caregiver Expectations	Staff Expectations
<p><u>Parents/Caregivers</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Conduct a student wellness check including temperature prior to sending a student to school. Students with temperatures over 100°F should stay home.• Provide a mask or shield for your student to wear on the bus and while at school when needed.• Ensure contact information is up to date in the event the nurse needs to contact home.• Ensure there are multiple, pre-arranged methods of getting a student home from school should they become ill or exhibit symptoms. <p><u>Students</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Use designated entrances and exits to the office.• Following physical distancing protocols as much as possible when in office.• Wearing a mask or shield is required when in or moving around the RULH nurse's office/clinic.• Wearing a mask or shield is required if a student is determined to have a fever or other symptoms.	<p><u>Nurse</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Nurses are required to wear a mask at all times.• Ensure the workspace is kept clean and sanitized.• Ensure physical distancing protocols are followed whenever possible.• Isolate students who are showing symptoms to a separate area away from other students already in the RULH nurse's office/clinic.• Ensure the RULH nurse's office/clinic is disinfected immediately following a student entering who is exhibiting symptoms.• Ensure doors to the RULH nurse's office/clinic are open to minimize use of door handles and to ensure maximum air flow to the area.• Refer the parents of students exhibiting symptoms of Covid-19 to the PrimaryPlus Ripley School Based Health Center for testing. <p><u>Custodians</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• All school staff and volunteers are required to wear face masks.• Disinfect RULH nurse's office/clinic based on schedule provided by school administration. This includes but is not limited to door handles, countertops, seating areas, restrooms, etc.• Disinfect the isolation area after students who utilize the area have left the building. <p><u>Administration</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• All school staff and volunteers are required to wear face masks.• Install or purchase barriers as needed to protect employees working in the nurse's office.• Ensure proper signage is installed.• Ensure regular cleaning and disinfecting takes place in the office area.• Ensure seating areas are properly physically distanced.• Ensure the student isolation area is properly supervised when in use.

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Restrooms

Student and Parent/Caregiver Expectations	Staff Expectations
<p><u>Parents/Caregivers</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Provide a mask or shield for your student to wear when in hallways and in restrooms. <p><u>Students</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Wearing a mask or shield is required when in hallways and in restrooms.• Follow all signage in the hallways, common areas and restrooms.• When possible, stay to the right when traveling down hallways to get to restrooms. <p><u>Building differences as noted:</u></p> <p><u>RULH Elementary School</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• If all restroom stalls are in use, students wait on floor markings outside the restroom entrance.	<p><u>Teachers/Aides/Secretaries/Cooks</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• All school staff and volunteers are required to wear face masks unless it is unsafe to do so or where doing so would significantly interfere with the learning process.• Assist in supervision of restrooms, hallways, and common areas between classes.• Provide reminders, issue warnings, contact parents/caregivers, and report repeated expectation violators to the office. <p><u>Custodians</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• All school staff and volunteers are required to wear face masks.• Disinfect restrooms based on schedule provided by school administration. This includes but is not limited to door handles, toilets, stalls, and sinks. <p><u>Administration</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• All school staff and volunteers are required to wear face masks.• Ensure proper signage is installed in hallways, common areas and restrooms.• Ensure supplies are readily available for custodians.• Provide reminders, issue warnings, contact parents/caregivers, and issue consequences to repeated expectation violators.• Provide supervision of restrooms between classes to ensure limited numbers of students are in restrooms at the same time.• Implement measures such as closing sinks or urinals when necessary to allow for appropriate physical distancing.

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Breakfast, Lunches and Cafeteria

Student and Parent/Caregiver Expectations	Staff Expectations
<p><u>Parents/Caregivers</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide a mask or shield for your student to wear while at school when needed. • Limit visits to school as much as possible including visits to drop off forgotten items. <p><u>Students</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • When possible, stay to the right when traveling down hallways. • Wearing a mask or shield is required when in line or moving around the cafeteria. • Wearing a mask is not required when eating breakfast or lunch. • Sit in designated seats. • Follow guidelines for restroom use during lunch periods. • If bringing a packed lunch, report immediately to your designated seating area. • Follow physical distancing guidelines as much as possible when in line and in the serving areas. <p><u>Building differences as noted:</u></p> <p><u>RULH Middle School</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students will visit lockers prior to and/or after lunch. Students should not cluster with peers during this time. <p><u>RULH High School</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students will visit lockers prior to and/or after lunch. Students should not cluster with peers during this time. 	<p><u>Teachers/Aides</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All school staff and volunteers are required to wear face masks unless it is unsafe to do so or where doing so would significantly interfere with the learning process. • Supervise designated eating areas to ensure students are properly physically distanced. • Provide reminders, issue warnings, contact parents/caregivers, and report repeated expectation violators to the office. • Wear a mask or shield or face shield when circulating around designated eating areas. • Monitor and issue passes for bathroom use during lunch time. • Use staggered dismissal to ensure physical distancing at the end of lunch. <p><u>Custodians</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All school staff and volunteers are required to wear face masks. • Disinfect all table tops and seats before and after each lunch. • Disinfect restrooms and common spaces between lunches. This includes but is not limited to door handles, handrails, toilets, stalls, and sinks. <p><u>Cafeteria Staff</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All cooks are required to wear masks while preparing and serving food. • Clean and disinfect serving areas and tables between lunches. • Serve all food to students. (Students will not self-serve items as they have in the past.) <p><u>Administration</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All school staff and volunteers are required to wear face masks. • Ensure proper signage is installed in designated eating areas. • Ensure enough seating is provided to ensure proper physical distancing and be practiced. • Add additional seating areas on stage, outside, and in the gym to ensure proper physical distancing. • Ensure supplies are readily available for custodians. • Provide reminders, issue warnings, contact parents/caregivers, and issue consequences to repeated expectation violators. • Implement staggered dismissal times if necessary to maximize physical distancing and student safety.

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Office

Student and Parent/Caregiver Expectations	Staff Expectations
<p><u>Parents/Caregivers</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Conduct a personal health screening prior to coming to a school building and do not come if you are running a fever higher than 100° F or showing other symptoms.• Parents/Caregivers are required to walk through the thermal temperature gate when they enter the school foyer.• Wearing a mask or shield is required when entering, exiting, and moving around the office/building.• In-person office visits should follow appropriate physical distancing protocols. <p><u>Students</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Use designated entrances and exits to the office.• Following physical distancing protocols as much as possible when in office.• Wearing a mask or shield is required while in or moving around the office.	<p><u>Teachers/Aides/Cooks</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• School personnel/staff are required to wear a mask when moving around the office area.• Follow physical distancing protocols. <p><u>Office Staff</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• School personnel/staff are required to wear a mask when moving around the office area.• Monitor and control the number of people in the office at any one time.• Ensure physical distancing guidelines are followed as much as possible when in-person meetings are held. <p><u>Custodians</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• School personnel/staff are required to wear a mask when moving around the office area.• Disinfect office based on schedule provided by school administration. This includes but is not limited to door handles, countertops, seating areas, restrooms, etc. <p><u>Administration</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• School personnel/staff are required to wear a mask when moving around the office area.• Install or provide barriers to protect employees working in the main office.• Eliminate community and parent volunteers to ensure safety of all students.• Ensure proper signage is installed in the office and leading into the office.• Ensure regular cleaning and disinfecting takes place in the office area.• Ensure seating areas are properly physically distanced.

Remote Learning (If state or local regulations require a school closure, we would shift into remote learning.)

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<p><u>Parents/Caregivers</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Monitor student progress on coursework.• Developing a “school schedule” is recommended to keep routines in place for students while working from home.• Communicate questions and concerns immediately to staff. <p><u>Students</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Following a regular “school schedule” is recommended to help keep routines in place for students while working from home.• Communicate questions and concerns immediately to teachers.• Participate in virtual sessions with teachers as scheduled. (ie. Zoom meetings, etc.)• Watch lessons provided by teachers and complete assignments according to timelines.	<p><u>Teachers/Assistants</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Staff will report to school if required by administration.• Create lessons that are engaging for students using a variety of strategies.• Be available for office hours. One session will be available in the morning and one in the afternoon.• Use Google Classroom or other approved remote learning platform for all assignments, links to resources, etc.• Grade work in a timely manner and provide feedback to students on assignments. <p><u>Technology Department</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Provide help desk assistance when technology issues occur. <p><u>Administration</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ensure each student has a device at home.• Monitor and assist teachers in the delivery of content for students.• Implement appropriate grading procedures and work from home guidelines for teachers.

OPTION 2- STUDENTS AT HOME DAILY

INDIVIDUAL ONLINE LEARNING WITH SUPPORT USING RULH VIRTUAL LEARNING ACADEMY (VLA) or approved learning platform

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<p data-bbox="96 313 348 342"><u>Parents/Caregivers</u></p> <ul data-bbox="153 345 1341 532" style="list-style-type: none">• Monitor student progress on coursework.• Developing a “school schedule” is recommended to keep routines in place for students while working from home.• Communicate questions and concerns immediately to staff.• Monitor and support student progress through an online curriculum with parent/caregiver access to the online platform and progress information. <p data-bbox="96 570 218 599"><u>Students</u></p> <ul data-bbox="153 602 1341 1325" style="list-style-type: none">• This option is different from what students experienced during remote learning last spring.• Students participating in this option will be using VLA, an online curriculum and platform designed by an outside company that specializes in virtual learning.• Students will not come to a school building for instruction and will not be in the same classes or have the same teachers as students participating in Option 1• It is recommended students follow a schedule to complete online learning, assignments, and assessments.• The online curriculum will meet the same standards as our RULH Local Schools curriculum, but it will not necessarily match the same pacing or activities that are delivered in school buildings.• Students will have access to courses in all core areas (English language arts, mathematics, sciences, and social studies)• Students will also have limited access to special area courses (K-6) and elective courses (7-12), Students in grades 7-12 will not have access to their full schedule as planned this past spring.• Communicate questions and concerns immediately to teachers.• Students and teachers will participate in virtual check-in meetings designed to support student course progress and provide opportunities for students to connect with each other.• Students will earn grades for their work.• If state or local regulations require a school closure, students participating in this option will continue as scheduled, and will continue to use the online curriculum and platform.• Students may continue to participate in after-school activities at their school building, including extra-curricular activities	<p data-bbox="1346 313 1472 342"><u>Teachers</u></p> <ul data-bbox="1402 345 2001 565" style="list-style-type: none">• Teachers will support students and assist upon request by the student or parent.• Teachers will monitor pacing to ensure student progress.• Teachers who are compensated to tutor students after hours will be available during specified office hours, <p data-bbox="1346 602 1665 631"><u>Technology Department</u></p> <ul data-bbox="1402 634 2001 854" style="list-style-type: none">• The district will provide a chromebook for each student to use at home; students will not be asked to share devices.• The district will support families without wi-fi access.• The district will provide help desk assistance when technology issues occur. <p data-bbox="1346 891 1545 920"><u>Administration</u></p> <ul data-bbox="1402 924 2001 980" style="list-style-type: none">• Ensure each student has a device at home.• Monitor student progress

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

STUDENT ILLNESS:

- Any student with a fever over 100F should stay home.
- Any student that has the following symptoms of COVID-19 should stay home from school and should see their primary care provider to be assessed for COVID-19.
- Any of the following symptoms: cough, shortness of breath, or difficulty breathing
- OR Two of the following symptoms: fever (measured or subjective), chills, rigors, myalgia, headache, sore throat, new loss of taste or smell, GI Issues(nausea and vomiting or diarrhea)
- OR Any of the following symptoms: cough, shortness of breath, or difficulty breathing, fever (measured or subjective), chills, rigors, myalgia, headache, sore throat, new loss of taste or smell, GI Issues(nausea and vomiting or diarrhea) AND an epidemiological link to a case of COVID-19

RETURNING TO SCHOOL AFTER ILLNESS

1. If a student is diagnosed as having COVID-19, they must meet the following criteria to return to school:
 2. 3 days with no fever (without using fever reducing medication) AND
 3. Other symptoms improved AND
 4. 10 days since symptoms first appeared Students that only have a fever and no other symptoms and have not had any contact with an individual that has COVID-19 may return to school after they are fever free for 24 hours without using any fever reducing medications.
- Any other illnesses should be handled in the routine manner according to district policies

To return to school, the child MUST be transported to school by the parent and MUST be checked by the school nurse.

NOTIFICATION OF RULH EMPLOYEE WITH DIAGNOSIS OF POSITIVE COVID 19

If a positive case of COVID 19 occurs, communication will be developed by the Brown County Health Department, not the school district. This notice will contain the following:

- Specify to parents which classroom/bus/school/other school activity the confirmed case was in (e.g. Mr. Smith). More generalized statement to building staff.
- How the school district will cooperate with the Brown County Health Department in contact tracing to identify close contacts of the case of COVID-19.
- A 14-day quarantine will be required of any student who is determined to have close contact with the case of COVID-19 by the Brown County Health Department
- The Brown County Health Department will write a letter for the school district to use and the letter will explain/define what is considered close contact to a COVID-19 case that will result in quarantine.

RECESS

RULH will make every effort to maintain consistency with other safety procedures during recess times. This may mean that districts limit student access to certain pieces of playground equipment and restrict activities that are “high touch” and difficult to clean or maintain social distancing.

RULH BLTs / TBTs will work toward “structured” recess activities such as nature walks / group games that limit students’ physical contact with others.

Students must wash or sanitize their hands after recess.

All RULH employees are required to wear a mask or a face shield during recess. Parents may “opt out” of recess

- [LINK TO:](#) Reset and Restart Planning Guide for Ohio Schools and Districts
- [LINK TO:](#) COVID-19 Health and Prevention Guidance for Ohio K-12 Schools
- [LINK TO:](#) Brown County Schools Common Agreements for Reopening Schools
- [LINK TO:](#) Brown County Health Department