



LPHS Reopening Plan 2022-2023

Indoor Mask Optional

LP is mask optional. The CDC recommends, but does not mandate, universal indoor masking in communities with high COVID-19 levels.

SHIELD Testing

We will continue our voluntary weekly SHIELD testing program for staff and families who have enrolled their children. If your son/daughter is not enrolled and you would like to sign them up, please contact our school nurses at pziel@lphs.net or sknickerbocker@lphs.net. Testing begins on September 1, 2022.

Contract Tracing & Exclusion

Schools are not required to conduct contract tracing. However, state law requires school districts notify the local public health department of any known or suspected cases of COVID-19. Individuals who test positive for COVID-19 or who exhibit COVID-19 symptoms must be excluded from school for five (5) calendar days. Asymptomatic close contacts do not require exclusion from school. L-P continues to consult with the LaSalle County Public Health Department to determine community levels and receive preventative measures.

Remote Learning

Remote learning will be provided in accordance with ISBE rules and regulations, which currently permits Remote Learning by any student who is under isolation or quarantine for COVID-19.

Cleaning Protocols

Classrooms have hand sanitizer and equipment to clean furniture and door handles. Custodial staff disinfect bathrooms regularly throughout the day. Hand sanitizer stations are in the Student Commons.

Continuity of Services & Community Support

L-P's student support services personnel are available to provide academic, emotional, and mental health services. This includes school counselors, social workers, nurses, school psychologist, and SEL Interventionist. The District uses Star 360 to benchmark students' math and reading progress and a universal screener to monitor students' emotional well-being. The District will notify staff and community of available vaccination clinics when available.

Community Engagement

Per USDE guidelines, the District will regularly, but no less frequently than every six months (taking into consideration the timing of significant changes to CDC guidance on reopening schools), review and, as appropriate, revise its plan for the safe return to in-person instruction and continuity of services. The District will seek and take public input into account in determining whether and what revisions are necessary.

Guiding Principles for Planning:

1. Maintain the health and safety of all students and staff;
2. Provide students with meaningful and engaging learning experiences;
3. Address the social-emotional needs of all students;
4. Provide clarity, consistency, and stability for all students and staff; and
5. Provide ongoing professional development for staff to address the learning needs unique to the time.

How will L-P handle students or employees who test positive for COVID-19 or show COVID-19-like symptoms?

If a student/employee tests positive for COVID-19:
Everyone, regardless of vaccination status, must do the following:

- a. Stay home for a minimum of 5 days after the first day of symptoms or the specimen collection date from the positive viral test for asymptomatic persons.
- b. Individual may return to school after five days if asymptomatic or if fever-free without fever-reducing meds for 24 hours, diarrhea/vomiting have ceased for 24 hours, other symptoms have improved, and any coughing has significantly subsided. When returning after 5 days, you are encouraged to wear a mask for at least 10 days from symptom-onset, and, to the extent possible, maintain 6 feet apart from anyone when eating/mask is off.

If a student/employee has COVID-19 like symptoms:
Everyone, regardless of vaccination status, must immediately be excluded from school until:

- a. The individual is asymptomatic and/or fever-free without fever-reducing meds for 24 hours, diarrhea/vomiting have ceased for 24 hours, other symptoms have improved, and any coughing has significantly subsided. When returning to school, you are encouraged to wear a mask and, to the extent possible, maintain 6 feet apart from anyone when eating/masks off;
OR
- b. The individual provides the District with a negative test result that confirms the symptoms are not attributable to COVID-19 and the individual is fever-free without fever-reducing meds for 24 hours, diarrhea/vomiting have ceased for 24 hours, other symptoms have improved, and any coughing has significantly subsided.

Signs & Symptoms

Parents are responsible for keeping your child(ren) home if they are showing any signs or symptoms of COVID-19, which includes but not limited to fever over 100.4°; cough, shortness of breath, chills, fatigue, muscle & body aches, headache, sore throat, nausea, diarrhea, or vomiting. Students showing symptoms during the school day will not be allowed to return to class until the exclusion requirements are met.

The requirements set forth above concerning persons who test positive for COVID-19 and those with COVID-19 like symptoms are subject to adjustments going forward, such that they remain in accordance with lawful guidelines established by the IDPH and CDC.