School Town of Speedway

COVID-19 PROTOCOLS

2021-2022

The following protocols were developed using recommendations and requirements from the Marion County Public Health Department and the Center for Disease Control and are subject to change.

School Town of Speedway follows the guidelines of the Marion County Public Health Department which requires us to have some varied protocols from districts in neighboring counties.

SYMPTOM SCREENING

- Parents/guardians should self-screen their children before they come to school each morning:
  1. Take temperature
  2. Ask these questions:
     i. Have you had a fever in the last 72 hours?
     ii. Have you had a respiratory illness in the last 72 hours?
     iii. Have you been exposed to anyone known to be COVID-19 positive in the last 14 days?
- If your child answered yes to any of these questions, please keep your child at home and contact your child’s school.
- The most current list of symptoms can be accessed from the CDC at https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/symptoms-testing/symptoms.html

MASKS and FACE COVERINGS

STAFF MEMBERS
- Masks are not required for fully vaccinated Speedway Staff members.
- Masks are required for unvaccinated Speedway Staff members.

STUDENTS
- Kindergarten - 2nd Grade: Masks are not required.
- 3rd - 6th Grade: Masks are recommended, but not required when students are in their pods and/or classrooms. However, masks should be worn when transitioning out of the pod/classroom (passing periods, hallway, entry and exit of building, etc.).
- 7th-12th Grade: Masks are required for unvaccinated Speedway Students when physical distancing cannot be maintained (passing periods, hallway, entry and exit of building, etc.). When students are in their pods and/or classrooms, masks are recommended, but not required.
- Masks are required for all students (grades PK-12) and adults while riding the bus regardless of vaccination status.
- Masks are required during choir class unless students are able to be spaced six feet apart.
- Masks are not required during outdoor instructional activities.

OFFICES and VISITORS
- Masks are required for visitors to the building.
- No outside food deliveries or lunch visitors at this time.
COVID-19 PROTOCOLS (continued)

QUARANTINES

- Contact tracing and quarantine guidelines will continue to be followed for those students and staff who have been in close contact with anyone who tests positive for COVID-19. A close contact is defined as being within six feet of a COVID+ individual for 15 minutes since masks are not required.
- Students or staff deemed to be a close contact may be exempted from quarantine if proof of vaccination is shared with the school nurse or administration. If not, the student or staff member will quarantine for 10 days.

CLASSROOMS and CAFETERIAS

- Students will be spread out in classrooms and the cafeteria to maximum distance where feasible. Seating charts and grouping/pods will be maintained for contact tracing.
- Students should bring a personal water bottle labeled with their name that may be refilled at filling stations. Fountains will remain disabled.
- Sharing of any classroom materials and technology is discouraged.
- Unvaccinated students in band class will be required to have a bell cover.
- Student desks will be faced in the same direction when feasible.

EXTRACURRICULARS and BACK-TO-SCHOOL EVENTS

- Contact tracing guidelines (see above) will be followed for before and after school activities.
- As practical, maximizing space between and among individuals will continue to be implemented.
- Shared equipment and supplies will continue to be cleaned and sanitized between uses.
- Masks will be required for all individuals, regardless of vaccination status, at upcoming “Back to School” events.

CLEANING and DISINFECTING

- High-touch areas will continue to be disinfected frequently.
- Teachers and staff will continue to use sanitizer and cleaning products as needed throughout the day.
- Hand sanitizer is available for students and staff in classrooms and frequent hand washing should occur.

Beginning on August 3rd, 2021 ParentSquare will be the primary communication link with Speedway Schools. It will be the primary tool all of our schools will use to keep you informed about your student and what is happening in their school, including COVID-19 notifications. The first step is to download the ParentSquare app to your iPhone or Android device. You will receive an email to activate your account on August 3rd, 2021.