



Continuous Learning Plan for COVID-19

2020-2021

PURPOSE: Inform parents and guardians of the Social Distancing Practices that we will be implementing at HPES. Please understand we are in unprecedented times and things change daily, so please be understanding and patient with us as we do what is best for the health and safety of our students.

ARRIVAL



Car Riders: Temperatures will be checked prior to exiting the car. Students will enter gym doors and may proceed to breakfast.

Bus Riders: Temperatures will be checked upon entrance to the building. Students will enter through PreK/KG doors and proceed to breakfast.

PreK Students: Temperatures will be checked upon their arrival and check-in will be at the PreK Classroom Back Doors. PreK

students will be eating breakfast in the classrooms.

After arrival, any student with a temperature above 100.4 and/or other concerning symptoms will be masked, sent to office and parents called for immediate pick-up.

CAFETERIA



All students will be able to eat in the cafeteria for breakfast or lunch, except for PreK will eat breakfast in the classroom. Students will be socially distanced (every other seat and not directly in front of another) and will only sit with their class during lunch.

CLASSROOMS



We will social distance as much as possible in our classrooms. Students will be spaced out as much as possible while not seated directly beside or directly in front another student. We will practice good hygiene, encourage masks and limit the sharing of materials/supplies as well.

HALLWAYS

The traffic in our hallways will be along the right side of the hall with signage to show direction

and spacing. Stairwells are limited for one directional use.

RECESS



Grade levels will go to recess at their designated times, but individual classes will be assigned to designated areas. Designated areas will be rotated so all students will have the opportunity to use playground equipment.

VISITORS



Visitors will not be allowed in the building; consequently, parents will not be allowed to eat lunch with children. Parents will not be allowed to walk students to their classrooms on the first day of school. If you have business with the school office, please call first if at all possible or ring our doorbell. We will try to handle your requests at the door.

DISMISSAL

Car Riders: Students will be dismissed as normal except with social distance measures in place. KG students and siblings will come from the gym. Other students will be coming from their classrooms and/or hallways where they will be waiting

socially distanced from each other.

Walkers: Students will be dismissed as normal with social distance measures in place.

Bus Riders/Day Care Vans: Students will be dismissed from the PreK/KG door and will be socially distanced in the upstairs and downstairs hallways while waiting.

Early Dismissal: Please call the school upon arrival and remain in the vehicle. A staff member will bring the student to the vehicle, check identification, and assist in signing out the student. Per MCPS policy – no dismissal after 2:45 PM.

COMMUNICATION



Communication will be conducted routinely; however, with limited face to face meetings. We will host a virtual Open House along with virtual conferences. Keep an open line of communication with faculty by informing us of any changes in phone numbers and email addresses ASAP. Visit our webpage, Facebook and Twitter accounts. Email: askhighlandparkelementary@maryk12.org.