



Fall 2021 Covid-19 School Entry Procedures

REPORT TO THE ACS BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES

JULY 13TH, 2021

Introduction

- ▶ The following recommendations amend the current ACS re entry plan which has been updated continuously since Fall 2020.
- ▶ All current protocols remain the same unless changed by the following items.

School Day

- ▶ Schools will operate on a normal pre-Covid19 schedule at the start of the 2021-2022 school year.
- ▶ 5-Days per week*
- ▶ Secondary Hours: 7:30am – 2:30pm*
- ▶ Elementary Hours: 9:00am – 3:30pm*

**except where noted on the school calendars*

Face Masks

- ▶ Wearing Face Masks at all grade levels will be **OPTIONAL** for students and staff at each school building.
- ▶ In accordance with CDC guidelines, masks are **RECOMMENDED** for individuals (both student and staff) that are unvaccinated.

School Buses

- ▶ Face Masks are **REQUIRED** on school buses and school transportation.
- ▶ This is a Federal Mandate.
- ▶ Will continue until terminated at the federal level.

Return to Mask Mandate if Needed

- ▶ ACS will return to mandatory mask usage under the following:
 - ▶ State Covid-19 map color returns to ORANGE for Madison County and building illness absentee rate exceeds 15%
 - or
 - ▶ Upon instruction by the Superintendent

Other Precautions

- ▶ Other steps to ensure student and staff safety include:
 - ▶ An isolation area in the school clinic
 - ▶ Nightly cleaning of high-touch surfaces
 - ▶ Bottle-Filling stations will remain in place, water fountains remain disabled.
 - ▶ Social distancing to the extent possible will still be encouraged
 - ▶ Contact tracing and quarantine
 - ▶ Fully vaccinated individuals do not need to quarantine
 - ▶ Individual classes may switch to virtual if class is quarantined
 - ▶ Visitors and volunteers are permitted as approved by building principal
 - ▶ Continued adherence to guidance issued by local, state, and national health authorities

Questions?