

Please refer to FCPS Return to School Web Page	Please refer to the Fairfax County Health Department Site
Health & Safety Questions	Answers
Will everyone still be masked during the entire school day?	Students and staff will be masked all day except when outside or actively eating and drinking.
What are the plans for contingencies in event of student testing positive or needing to quarantine because of exposure	FCPS Return to School Safety Protocols You can find Covid 19 Exposure protocols on this website.
If a student is deemed close contact and sent home for quarantine. Will they do school work virtually? Like this past year?	Teachers will keep their Schoology updated so students can access their classwork and assignments asynchronously. We will not have concurrent instruction at this time.
If a student or teacher tests positive for COVID, what are the criteria that determine when someone is contacted as being within close contact of that person? Being within 3 feet of the person and talking to them for more than 15 minutes? Will everyone in the classroom be asked to get tested for COVID or only those people who are deemed to have been in close contact?	FCPS Return to School Safety Protocols All contact tracing and Covid 19 Exposure protocols can be found on the website.
What will be the protocol when a student or staff member is tested positive for COVID19 or its variants?	FCPS Return to School Safety Protocols All contact tracing and Covid 19 Exposure protocols can be found on the website.
I'm wondering how lunch will be safe. All the kids will just be sitting next to each other, unmasked in the cafeteria?	Masks are required when students are not actively eating or drinking. Students have the opportunity to sit in the lunch courtyard or in the cafeteria.
My biggest concern is lunch time in cafeteria is that possible for the kids to stay in the class during lunch time I mean the one bring food from home not to go to cafeteria ????	FCPS Return to School Safety Protocols
How does quarantining work for High school	A Cares Room will be provided for all middle school and high school students who have symptoms in school. Quarantine protocols will be following the health departments guidance.
If the building has to close because of consecutive COVID19 cases, how soon might it re-open?	FCPS Return to Safety Protocols
Why are kids not wearing masks indoors during P.E.?	CDC & Health Department guidance recently changed and now students have to remain masked while active in the gym. Students do not need to wear a mask during activities outside.
What are the requirements for school busses at this time due to COVID? Will only one student be allowed per seat?	CDC Order of Masking on School Buses Buses are back to full capacity and students can share seats. Students are required to wear masks on school buses.
If cases go up does FCPS plan to move to virtually again?	Protocols for Potential Covid 19 Closure can be found on this link
How many consecutive positive cases will have to take place before parents/students have an option to return to virtual learning?	Protocols for Potential Covid 19 Closure can be found on this link
Will there be quarantines required for exposed children?	FCPS Return to Safety Protocols

Will fcps mandate all trachers vaccinate before returning to classroom?	At this time it is not mandated for all FCPS teachers to be vaccinated before returning to school.
Will covid testing take place at school?	At this time we do not have direction from the health department to conduct Covid testing at school.
Will FCPS be administering temperature checks on students upon school entry everyday to ensure safety of our children from C-19 transmission? Have air purifiers been installed in the school to reduce transmission rates? I appreciate everything FCPS has done to protect our children; however, based on the past year many measures were reactionary. Delta throws us a new challenge. What may have worked for the A variant will not be as effective for the D variant. Appreciate additional clarity on anti-C-19 procedures during the town hall. Thank you.	We are asking the community and families to screen their student for illness every day before they leave for school. Students should stay home when sick. FCPS will continue to follow mitigation strategies and we will not be providing the temperature checks.
What percentage of staff and students are vaccinated?	Fairfax Health Department Vaccination Status We don't have specific data on vaccination status for Hayfield Secondary School as this is protected information, however, this link has vaccination status for Fairfax County.
What will be done to re-integrate kids who had social anxiety prior to the pandemic that has become more severe over the past year?	FCPS and Hayfield Secondary School are going to great lengths to integrate social emotional learning into our classes. We will focus on providing students with these social emotional learning opportunities on a weekly basis. We will continue to be committed to developing positive relationships with your students and guide them to reach out to a trusted adult for support or a school counselor or clinical staff.
Operations & Logistic Questions	
Will students use lockers?	Yes, all students have access to a locker. Middle School students will be required to use their locker and will be supported by teachers and staff on how to open their locker and use their locker throughout the year.
Will students dine in lunch room? Can students go outside during lunch?	Yes, all students will eat in the school cafeteria. Masks are required when students are not actively eating or drinking. Students have the opporunity to sit in the lunch courtyard or in the cafeteria. We are exploring other outside options during lunch time.
How many student in each classroom?	Classrooms are back to full capacaity. On average, classroom numbers range from 25-30 students.
Will students be allowed to bring backpacks from class to class.	In high school, students can bring their backpacks from class to class. In middle school, students will be required to keep their backpacks in their lockers.
How much time do they get between classes?	Students have 6 minutes to transition between classes.
Will kids social distance In classrooms and hallways?	Adequate social distancing will not always be possible, especially in our halls. Wearing a mask means we can safely be a little closer when necessary.

<p>In May the Delta Variant was not an issue. Will parents be able to change their child's school options without having to fill out the Covid-19 eligibility form?</p>	<p>Return to School Information You can find information on our virtual programs on this link, however the application window for our Virtual Program closed May 28th. Approximately 400 students with documented medical/health needs will receive instruction in FCPS' Limited Virtual Program. The Virginia Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics supported a return to in-person learning for Virginia's students, saying, "Returning to in-person learning, with well thought out mitigation strategies, is the right prescription for our children. At this time, we are not returning to the same options to keep students home for virtual learning as we had last year. Five day in-person instruction is the goal for all our students for this school year."</p>
<p>Realizing that the physical school building has not gotten any bigger while closed, what is the plan for maintaining social distance in hallways or at lunch?</p>	<p>Adequate social distancing may not always be possible in schools. Wearing a mask means we can safely be a little closer when necessary.</p>
<p>Is the middle school and high school truly separate or is there some overlap of students (ie cafeteria, hallways, outdoor areas)?</p>	<p>There are times that MS and HS students interact and overlap. They share the same school buses and will transition through some of the halls together. We have learned that our HS Hawks have been great mentors and role models to our MS Hawks and we work hard to build a community where we all look out for each other. Should you have any concerns about student interactions please reach out to your student's administrator.</p>
<p>I'm very concerned about the policy requiring cell phones to be kept in lockers. With increased gun violence in the US and documented deterioration of student mental health, I'm seriously worried about in-school violence. How can students call for help if phones are locked away and staff members are injured or engaging with the violent student?</p>	<p>The safety of our students and staff is always our #1 priority. Our safety and security team, administration, faculty and staff are committed to creating and maintaining a safe environment within our school. Classrooms are equipped with a classroom phone and an emergency call button that alerts front office staff if activated.</p>
<p>Instructional Questions</p>	
<p>When will schedules come out?</p>	<p>Students will receive paper schedules on 8/18 at Hawk Flight and schedules will go live in Parent & Student View on 8/19</p>
<p>Will teachers continue to use rolling grade books?</p>	<p>We will continue to utilize Rolling Gradebooks at Hayfield</p>
<p>If students are asked to self quarantine or get a COVID test, how will they be able to stay caught up with their classes and school work? Will virtual classes or concurrent learning be available?</p>	<p>Teachers will keep Schoology updated with classwork and assignments for student to access and work asynchronously should they have to stay home for any reason. At this time we will not be providing virtual or concurrent learning. We will follow FCPS guidelines should there be a shut down at any time regarding virtual and concurrent instruction.</p>
<p>PE - will it be like last year- come dressed and avoid close quarter locker rooms? How will PE work this year?</p>	<p>Health & Safety Guidance Document Locker Rooms are available for students to change out. It is recommended but not required for students to change out into PE clothes (Regulation 3210)</p>

<p>I applaud the new rule regarding no cell phone use during school instruction for the middle schoolers. My concern is with regard to personal computers. My son has ADHD and attended in-school instruction last year as an 8th grader at Hayfield. He worked around the firewalls and spent much of his classroom instruction time playing Minecraft. With Covid restrictions there was little supervision during class time.</p> <p>As a parent and former fcps educator, I would strongly advocate that Hayfield Secondary offer classes taught with more interactive instruction and less reliance on laptops for kids who struggle with ADHD. Keeping them away from the lures of games, videos etc is like leaving a kid in a candy shop with little supervision. I would be interested in knowing how many other parents would be interested in teacher led classes and limited laptop work.</p>	<p>We agree that there should be a variety of instructional modalities for learning in the classroom. If you have concerns about your student not using his/her computer following our Acceptable Computer Use Policy, then please reach out to the teacher, counselor and administrator directly so we can develop a plan. Technology will be part of our student's school learning.</p>
<p>How are we closing the gaps that surfaced after the SOLs last year?</p>	<p>We will put a Multi-Tiered Systems of Support approach in place to address the learning needs of all of our students. This is a detailed approach which incorporates assessments, and tiered instructional supports for our students.</p>
<p>Other Questions</p>	
<p>If a student is remaining virtual, will the student be able to participate in uncrowded after school activities?</p>	<p>Students who are enrolled in the virtual high school are still eligible to participate in activities/athletics if they choose.</p>
<p>How are we assuring in person events for seniors?</p>	<p>Current guidance allows for in-person activities and events like a normal school year while we also take into consideration the evolving conditions and needs of our students and community.</p>
<p>The lack of a bus if you live a mile or less from the school. We are still a 20 minute walk away. I think this rule is completely unfair to our kids and the school does not provide anyone to protect them as they cross these busy streets.</p>	<p>Please reach out directly to transportation if you have concerns related to this FCPS policy.</p>
<p>How are we assuring non-sports students are afforded the same opportunities for extra curriculums as sports. Last year they were not; only sports was emphasized/allowed.</p>	<p>This year, all student activities have returned.</p>
<p>Students getting distracted now that they can see and make friends again and losing focus during class</p>	<p>We are committed to support students as they return to school during a pandemic. We will meet them where they are, and strive to meet their social-emotional and academic needs.</p>
<p>My student was relieved by FCPS's universal masking, but is curious about enforcement. How will faculty and staff respond when students aren't wearing masks correctly or at all?</p>	<p>Students are required to wear masks in schools. Students may apply for a mask exemption due to a medical condition. Administrators will work with students and families if there is non-compliance with mask wearing. We need to partner with families to help support the expectation of mask wearing at school.</p>

<p>How is technology managed in school? Are kids allowed to use their devices in class?</p>	<p>All students have school issued laptops. In middle school, the cell phone and personal device policy is "off and away," all day. High school students may have their cell phones and will follow classroom guidelines and expectations as outlined by the teacher.</p>
<p>Have filters been updated/added in the ventilation systems?</p>	<p>FCPS ventilation systems bring in fresh air that is filtered and then circulated in the building. Systems meet industry standards and CDC recommendations.</p>
<p>Does the administration enforce a policy against bullying?</p>	<p>Yes, We have zero tolerance for bullying. Please reach out to your student's counselor and/or administrator should you have bullying concerns.</p>
<p>Will you have ADA request available again?</p>	<p>Employees have access to the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) through FCPS Human Resources. We currently are staffed with in-person faculty and staff.</p>
<p>Helpful Websites:</p>	
<p>The Virginia Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics</p>	
<p>FCPS Return to School FAQ</p>	
<p>FCPS Health and Safety Guidance '21-22</p>	
<p>Fairfax County Health Department Site</p>	
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