

North Star School Reopening Plans Guide

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This document is a quick reference for parents and students about what to expect at each phase of a reopening of the North Star School in the event we were to close and reopen schools for an emergency. For more detailed guidance, please visit our complete plan at www.nsschools.org. It also details our staff expectations and has a more detailed description of the expectations of students and parents throughout the school year. These would be the general guides for our school to reopen for students.

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ATTENDANCE

EXCUSED ABSENCES are those which:

- A parent or guardian has called and informed the school no later than 9 AM that a student will be absent due to unexpected illness or emergency.
- Any school-related absence.
- A planned absence for which a parent or guardian has notified the school prior to the absence and is for a doctor, dentist, or other appointment that cannot be scheduled during non-school time.
- Any absence deemed excused by the superintendent.

UNEXCUSED ABSENCES are those which:

- A parent or guardian fails to contact the school by 9 AM the day of an unexpected illness or emergency.
- Any failure to attend class online as required by a teacher without meeting the above criteria for an excused absence will be counted as an unexcused absence for that day's class.
- Any student that does not check in during the time period as required by the remote instruction policies put in place in this document and does not meet the conditions listed above for an excused absence will receive an unexcused absence.

Attendance will be calculated with the understanding of student proficiency in their classes using MT STATE POLICY.

HEALTH REMINDERS

Students:

- **DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL SICK.** If you or anyone in your household have a temperature above 100 degrees, or any symptoms such as cough, fatigue, vomiting, diarrhea, uncontrolled sneezing, stuffiness, shortness of breath, or other possible signs of an infection, **STAY HOME!** You may contact the school for assignments, and for information about where testing may be available.
 -  The health and safety of students and staff is paramount if we are closed for health reasons.
 -  You are required to stay home until you are fever free for 24 hours without the aid of a fever reducer (ibuprofen, tylenol, etc...).
- You should be prepared to move from in-person to remote instruction at all times. If there is a case found within the school community, we could return to remote instruction over-night. Please prepare for this by:

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- Taking home your iPad, chargers, and texts every night.
- Taking home personal belongings every night that you would need if the school does not reopen when you expect.
- If the return to remote instruction is made due to a case in the school, the school may be completely inaccessible for 24-48 hours, and there may not be a chance to get needed items.

Parents:

- DO NOT let your kids come to school sick. If they or anyone in your household have a temperature above 100 degrees, or any symptoms such as cough, fatigue, vomiting, diarrhea, uncontrolled sneezing, stuffiness, shortness of breath, or other possible signs of an infection, make them STAY HOME! You may contact the school for assignments, and for information about where testing may be available.
 - Your student is required to stay home until they are fever free for 24 hours without the aid of a fever reducer (ibuprofen, tylenol, etc...).
- Encourage your students to be prepared for return to remote instruction at any time. Keep in mind plans for what you will do if that becomes necessary. It can happen at a moment's notice.