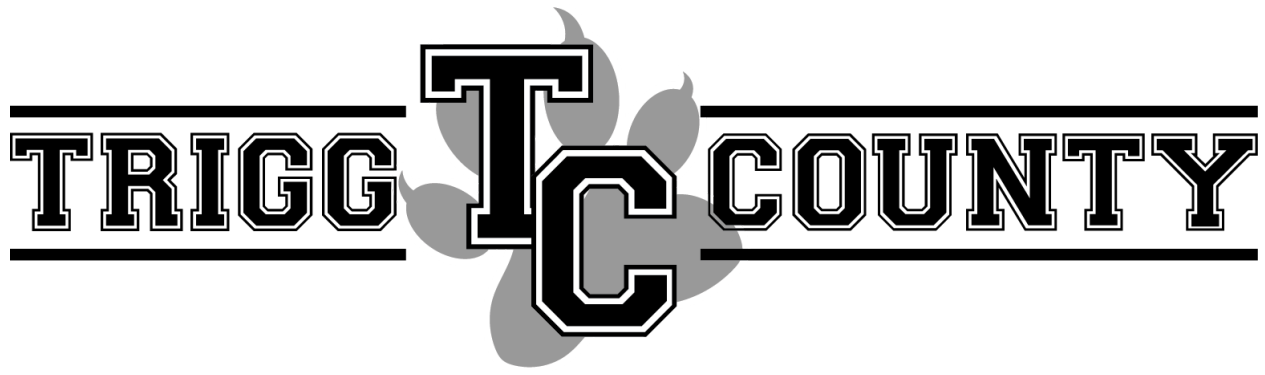




Dear Wildcat Family,

I know many of you are anxious about our students' return to school, on August 11th, during these unprecedented times. Let me assure you that as Trigg County Schools prepares for the 2021-2022 school year, our number one priority is the health and safety of our students, staff, and community. Our Return to School Plan has been updated using guidance provided from the Kentucky Department of Education, Kentucky Department of Public Health, our local health department, and the Center for Disease Control. **This plan is subject to change as guidance is updated from Kentucky Department of Education, Kentucky Department of Public Health, and Governor Andy Beshear. If the level of community transmission becomes too high, these guidelines will be changed accordingly.**

These guidelines, along with the official Code of Conduct, will be enforced throughout the school year.



Screening:

Parents are asked to check their children for COVID symptoms before leaving for school each day. **DO NOT SEND** your child to school if they show any of the following symptoms:

- Fever over 100* or chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose not due to allergies
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea
- Exposure to anyone who has tested positive for COVID-19 in the past 48 hours
- Positive COVID-19 test

 COVID-19 Symptom screenings will be performed by parents/guardians at home before students enter the bus or car drop off areas

 Students and staff will be required to quarantine for 10 days from the start of symptoms and a positive COVID-19 test

 Trigg County Schools will work together with the local hospital and health department to offer COVID-19 vaccines to students age 12 and older.

 Schools will cooperate with the contact tracers to identify anyone with exposure to possible cases of COVID-19

Transportation:

 Students will be required to wear masks while on the bus. This will be for AM/PM routes, field trips, and sports activities.

 Drivers and monitors will wear masks or shields while students are being transported, unless medically waived by their Primary Care Provider

 Buses will be sanitized daily

 Students will be in assigned seats by family households for both AM/PM routes. Seating charts will be used.

In the buildings:

 In-person Instruction

 Face masks are **REQUIRED** for **all** students and staff, regardless of vaccination status

 Social Distancing will be implemented at 3 feet per CDC guidelines when possible

 Classrooms will be setup to maximize social distancing when possible

 Students will sit in assigned seats in all settings and daily attendance recorded

 All high touch surfaces (desks, tables, doorknobs, faucets etc) will be cleaned and sanitized daily

 Electrostatic cleaning method will be used to sanitize facilities

 Emphasis will be placed on handwashing and respiratory etiquette

 Hand sanitizer will be available throughout the building





There will be no visitors inside the buildings unless essential and only by appointment.

There will be no deliveries to the buildings(i.e. lunches, flowers, etc.) Visitors will have their temperature checked upon entrance to the building



Students will be required carry **clear or mesh** backpacks



School space will be utilized to create social distancing when possible



Transitions will be minimized, students and staff will keep to the right while in hallways



Upon entry to the building, students will report directly to their classroom



When possible, students will remain in a self-contained setting to limit the number of contacts made throughout the day. There will be assigned seating in all locations.



Parents and guardians should arrange in-person appointments with school personnel and will be required to participate in COVID-screening including temperature checks.

Thank you for your patience and cooperation during these uncertain times as we strive to create a safe and supportive learning environment for the children of Trigg County. Please keep in mind that these guidelines are subject to change as new information and guidelines are issued from Kentucky Department of Education, Kentucky Department of Public Health, and Governor Andy Beshear. We will update staff, parents, students, and the community through our website at www.trigg.kyschools.us, Facebook, Twitter, local media outlets, and direct communication.

Sincerely,

Bill Thorpe
Superintendent
Trigg County Schools