# **Eisenhower Elementary Site Safety Plan**

As EES moves forward, our decision-making will remain guided by safety, equity, and the many needs of our stakeholders in the midst of this global pandemic. Thank you for your continued support and acknowledging changes will be made as needed to our EES Safety Plan.

#### FACE MASKS

- Students in grades PreK-3 are required to wear a face mask in all hallways and while being transported by school vehicle.
- Students in grades 4-12 shall be required to wear a face mask while being transported by school vehicle, in all hallways, classrooms where social distancing is not possible, public spaces, and common areas of the school district.
- Staff will be required to wear a face mask while on school premises as well as office spaces where multiple people are present if social distancing of six feet is not possible. Masks are not required to be worn inside an office where only one person is present but are required in all public and common spaces.
- The CDC recommends wearing face masks to contain coughs and sneezes, preventing the spread of germs to other people and nearby surfaces which helps to protect other people. Masks can also help you avoid touching your nose or mouth accidentally. While a face covering does not filter the air you breathe, it may serve as a barrier.
- Masks are supplement to, not a substitute for, other preventative measures. They are intended as an added layer of protection on top of social distancing and other common-sense protections like frequent handwashing, the use of hand sanitizer, and staying home when sick or experiencing symptoms of illness.

#### Face masks should:

- Fit snugly but comfortable against the side of the face
- Be secured with ties or ear loops
- Include multiple layers of fabric
- Allow for breathing without restriction

The district will make exceptions on a case-by-case basis for those that are not able to wear a mask due to medical reasons.

#### **School Entry & Waiting**

Students will enter the building at 8:30 AM when breakfast begins. Due to staffing numbers, it is important for the safety of all students, that you do not not drop off students before that time. Students will be required to wear a mask when they enter the building and while waiting for class to start. *Tip: Students would benefit from practicing wearing the mask. Start at home with short periods of time while doing fun activities. Gradually working up to more time each day.* 

### Restrooms

Restroom breaks will be scheduled to allow for a minimum number of students in the restrooms and any one time. Restrooms will be sanitized every hour and as needed.

## Library

The library will be limited to one classroom at a time. All students will be required to wear a mask while in the library. Eisenhower Elementary School will follow CDC guidelines in sanitizing library books before they will be allowed to be checked back out.

## <u>Hallways</u>

Hallways will be limited to the number of students to maximize social distancing and therefore the health of our students. Students and all adults will be required to wear a mask while transitioning from class to class and everytime they are in the hall.

#### Cafeteria / Food Distribution/seating

Meals will be pre-packaged and delivered to the classrooms by kitchen staff. Students will remain in classrooms for meals. If it is necessary for students to get their lunch from the cafeteria, they will be required to wear a mask in line and social distance in the line.

Pre-K and Kindergarten snacks must be pre-packaged and brought a week in advance to ensure school staff can sanitize packaging.

#### Social Distancing in Classrooms

Teachers will eliminate the unnecessary furniture and commonly shared items as possible from their classrooms to maximize the space in order to social distance as much as possible. When possible, student desks will be facing forward arranged to maximize the distance between each student. Desks will be sanitized at the end of each

day. Each classroom teacher will maintain a current seating chart of their classroom for the purpose of contact tracing.

## Visitor Policy

Following district recommendations, EES will not allow visitors into the classrooms. Normal everyday communication will occur through email and phone conversations. All EES visitors must report immediately to the office. At this time, visitors will be required to take their temperature, sanitize their hands, and have a proper face and mouth mask to enter the building for any reason.

#### <u>Recess</u>

A limited number of classes at a time will be allowed at recess. No more than two classrooms will be utilizing the playground at one time. Adequate adult supervision will be provided during recess. Masks will be required if students can't socially distance themselves.

## Limited Sharing of Materials

The sharing of classroom materials will be limited. Student's hands will be washed/sanitized before using any shared materials. Foggers will be used each night to ensure that classrooms are properly sanitized.

#### **District Transportation**

Students will be required to wear a mask when riding a school bus. Bus times may vary as we work out the details of limiting student wait time outside of a school to maximize social distancing and the health and safety of students. *Tip: Practice wearing the mask. Start at home with short periods of time while doing fun activities. Gradually working up to more time each day.* 

EES staff is here for you! As we all adapt to the new changes, know you are not alone.