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Subject: Heard County School System - ELEMENTARY SCHOOL 20-21 Reopening

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Document has been created based on the GADOE document "Georgia's Path to Recovery for K-12 Schools" and will possibly change.

SYSTEM LEVEL COMMITMENTS:

- *HCSS will maintain open communication with the DPH and local health officials
- *HCSS will cooperate fully with the DPH should contact tracing efforts be required
- *HCSS will require all schools to post signage on "How to stop the spread of COVID-19"
- *HCSS will require all schools to post signage on "How to properly wash hands"
- *HCSS will require all schools to post signage on "Staying home when sick"
- *HCSS will require all schools to have a protocol for students/staff to follow should they feel ill at school. This protocol will require at a minimum establishing a "safe room" for persons to be quarantined until they can be removed from the school.
- *HCSS will require all schools to have PPE equipment for the person who will staff the "safe room" when needed.
- *HCSS will not penalize students who have maintained perfect attendance throughout their school career who miss during the 20-21 school year.
 - *HCSS will have recess and PE and will sanitize in accordance with CDC Guidelines.

PRACTICING PREVENTION:

*HCSS will require every teacher to teach and reinforce good hygiene measures (At a minimum this should include proper handwashing, covering coughs, and proper ways to wear face coverings)

- *HCSS will provide hand sanitizing stations throughout every school
- *HCSS will provide non-touch trash cans in all locations
- *HCSS will work with BECK Custodial Services to ensure frequently touched surfaces are sanitized on a daily basis
- *HCSS will shut down all water fountains in all locations and replace them with water dispensers with cups.
 - *HCSS will minimize shared or community supplies in classrooms

*HCSS will provide disinfectant for every classroom teacher to wipe down surfaces throughout the school day.

TRANSPORTING STUDENTS:

- *HCSS will provide hand sanitizer on every school bus for children and drivers to use upon entering and exiting the bus.
 - *HCSS will require students and bus drivers to wear masks
 - *HCSS will not allow any field trips until further notice.
- *HCSS will ensure all school buses are sanitized after morning routes and afternoon routes. After disinfectant has been applied, busses will be "aired out".
- *HCSS will ask parents, who are able, to transport their students to school to assist with personal space on busses.

ENTERING SCHOOL BUILDINGS:

- *HCSS will provide hand sanitizer stations for student/staff use upon entering all school buildings.
- *HCSS will work to limit unnecessary congregations of staff/students such as assemblies, pep rallies, etc..... until further notice.
- *HCSS will limit visitors to school to a need-only basis. All visitors will be expected to call ahead so that proper screenings can be conducted by school nurse or other designated staff. (This includes visits for eating lunch with students and birthday parties, etc.....until further notice)

SERVING MEALS:

- *HCSS will provide hand sanitizer in all cafeterias for student/staff use.
- *HCSS will continue with general food safety and sanitation procedures.

TRANSITIONING BETWEEN CLASSES:

- *HCSS will allow face masks to be worn by students/staff who choose to wear them.
- *HCSS will discourage the congregating of students during transition time.

CONDUCTING LARGE GROUP GATHERINGS:

*HCSS will base large group gatherings on the Governor's Executive Order.

WHEN SOMEONE BECOMES SICK AT SCHOOL:

*HCSS will create a safe room in each school for people who become ill during school hours. The safe room will be staffed by an adult when this situation occurs.