

LUHSD 2020-21 School Year

Reopening Plan

INTRODUCTION

Last night, the Lemoore Union High School Board of Trustees voted unanimously to bring all students back on campus on Monday, January 11, 2021. As we progress toward that reopening, we will be bringing groups of students on our campuses in stages to ensure that all of the precautions that we have in place will ensure everyone's safety. Your individual school will be contacting you if your child will be asked to attend. Participation will be voluntary.

There is currently construction on all of our campuses and this timeline will ensure that those projects don't interfere with the safe paths of travel for our students. In addition, we have purchased state-of-the-art bipolar ionization units to be installed by January 11, 2021 on all of our heating and air conditioning units in the District which kill the COVID-19 virus in the air.

This timeline will also allow us to get past the flu and holiday seasons which could spike COVID-19 cases in our county and cause us to have to close back down before winter break.

This timeline also allows teachers to prepare for the transition back to the classroom so that your children have the best instruction possible.

WHAT WILL THE SCHEDULE LOOK LIKE?

The school sites are developing their schedules now. As soon as they are finalized, they will be sent to you by your child's school. Lemoore High school will have a schedule that involves having only half of the students on campus at a time to allow for the required social distancing requirements on transportation, in the classroom and outside on campus. The student population sizes at Jamison High School and Lemoore Middle College High School allow for all students to be on campus at the same time.

DOES MY CHILD HAVE TO RETURN TO IN-PERSON INSTRUCTION?

Students will have the option to return to in-person instruction, remain in distance learning, go on Independent Study or enroll in Lemoore Online College Preparatory High School.

TRANSPORTATION

Please note: Routes have changed to allow for social distancing and transportation may not be provided for many students who have previously ridden. This does not affect students with transportation services on their IEP or 504 Plan. Students must wear face coverings on the bus per CDC guidelines and will be required to use hand sanitizer upon entering and departing the bus. Students may walk to school or be driven by parents if they do not wish to ride the bus. Drivers will wear face coverings and have been trained to recognize COVID-19 symptoms. Buses will be cleaned between each route.

PARENTS/GUARDIANS

Parent/guardians must screen their children each morning prior to leaving for school so that they may be kept home if they exhibit COVID-19 symptoms. Students exhibiting symptoms may be turned away from boarding a school bus. The 90 % attendance policy will not be enforced this school year so that students will feel free to stay home when not feeling well. The Community Service graduation requirement has been waived for the Class of 2021. If possible, it is requested that parents send their students with a bottle of hand sanitizer for their safety. There will be hand sanitizer on the buses, in classrooms and freestanding hand sanitizer stations on campus.

Parent/guardians are asked to call with questions or to make appointments to see staff members, including administrators, in order to reduce the number of visitors to the school offices. When possible, SSTs and IEPs may be done virtually as well.

Only items that are essential to students may be brought to school and must be handed directly to the student by the parent/guardian.

STUDENTS

Students must be screened by parents prior to leaving home for school and kept home if they exhibit symptoms. Information regarding what to look for will be sent to parents from Lemoore Union High School District.

Students will be visually screened for COVID-19 symptoms upon entering campus each morning. They must sanitize their hands when entering a school transportation vehicle, upon entering campus, upon entering and departing classrooms, after eating, coughing, sneezing, or leaving a restroom. Hand sanitizer stations are readily available throughout all campuses. Students will be trained in effective hand washing, face coverings, social distancing and marked paths of travel on campus. They will be required to wear face coverings in schools transportation vehicles, in classrooms and on campus. Accommodations will be made for

students with health conditions that prohibit them from wearing a face covering. Students are encouraged to bring water bottles to refill at campus filling stations as water fountains will not be available.

All students exhibiting COVID-19 symptoms (temperature of 100.4 or higher, headache, cough, muscle pain, chills, sore throat, trouble breathing, new loss of taste or smell) at school will be immediately separated from others and evaluated by a nurse to determine if they need to be sent home to contact their physician and/or be tested.

STAFF

All staff will be self-screening for COVID-19 symptoms daily prior to coming to school.

All staff has been trained in the areas of 1) recognizing COVID-19 symptoms and protocols for reporting, 2) when to stay home, 3) social distancing, 4) hand hygiene, 5) cleaning and disinfecting using EPA approved materials, and 6) how to wear, remove and wash face coverings. All staff must wear face coverings while on campus except when eating or if they have a medical condition that prevents them from wearing one. In the event that they cannot wear one, they must wear a face shield with a drape.

SCHOOL NURSES

Each school site will have a room for students with COVID-19 symptoms to be isolated until they are able to go home. Students in direct contact (within 6 feet for 15 minutes or longer, or a cumulative time of 15 minutes within a 24 hour period) with someone who has tested positive and those who have tested positive will be provided short term independent study during their isolation/quarantine period.

Should your child become exposed to someone who has tested positive, we will contact you. Please make sure that your contact information is always current with your child's school so that we reach you.

CLASSROOMS

Classrooms will be free of unnecessary furniture and clutter in order to allow for social distancing. They will be set up in order for students to be seated six feet apart to the extent practicable and students will all face the same direction. Students will be given assigned seating. Students will not be asked to work in groups or be face to face. Teachers will teach six feet from the students. Classrooms will be stocked with hand sanitizer and tissue for student use. Replacement disposable masks will be provided as needed. Textbooks will not be shared by

students. Students should bring their personally assigned Chromebook to school daily. School devices may not be used. Students will not share classroom materials unless they are sanitized between each use.

Physical Education will be limited to activities that do not involve close contact or sharing equipment . Locker rooms will not be used.

CAMPUS

All LUHSD campuses will be marked/signed to show a path of travel to maintain social distancing while traveling on campus as well as when waiting in line.

CLEANING/SANITIZING

LUHSD custodians will follow the [CDC Guidance for Cleaning and Disinfecting Schools](#). Only cleaning and disinfecting agents known to be effective against COVID-19 will be used and will be asthma safe. Areas used by a known infected person will be closed down for 24 hours and will then be cleaned and disinfected. All restrooms will be cleaned and stocked with hand washing supplies at least four times each day. All classrooms will be disinfected each evening using a disinfectant fogger. All high touch surfaces will be cleaned between periods and each night. Campuses will all have free standing hand sanitizer stations for student use.

VISITORS

All visitors will be screened for COVID-19 symptoms, including having their temperature taken before being allowed to enter campus. All visitors will be required to wear face coverings. Parents must make appointments to meet with staff. Campuses will limit visitors to those who are essential in supporting our students, such as Rancheria Liaisons, Social Workers and College and Behavioral Health Counselors.

SCHOOL MEALS

Meals will be prepackaged. Food Service staff will wear gloves and face coverings when preparing and serving meals. Food carts will be available at brunch and lunch at LHS and Jamison High Schools. The LHS cafeteria will have two new socially distanced service lines available at lunch. The West Hill College Student Union will continue to serve meals on a limited basis on the West Hills campus for LMCHS students. The LHS cafeteria will also continue

to serve meals at LMCHS. Juniors and Seniors will continue to be allowed to leave campus for lunch.

BAND/CHOIR

Both band and choir may only perform outside due to COVID-19. Students must be physically distanced and wear face coverings to the maximum extent possible. The playing of wind instruments is prohibited at this time. Parents need to be aware of the increased likelihood for transmission from exhaled droplets during singing and band practices.

ATHLETICS AND OTHER EXTRACURRICULAR

Large group gatherings, field trips and competitions will not be allowed until we are in the Yellow Tier.

Athletic conditioning began on September 21, 2020 for the following sports: cross country, water polo, volleyball, cheer and football. Practices will be allowed to start on December 9, 2020.

Soccer, tennis, swimming, wrestling, basketball, baseball, softball, golf and track dates will be set at a later time.

All dates are subject to change due to air quality and the status of COVID-19 in Kings County.
