# MILLER PLACE

UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT



**Reopening Schools Plan 2020-21** 

# Plan Development Qualifying Statement

This plan will serve as the **framework** for the **practices** and **procedures** that will be implemented **to reopen schools** for the 2020-21 school year

Please note that this plan has **not** been **developed to address every** single possible **scenario** that we may encounter over the next 11 months

Each New York State school district is developing plans based on the variables associated with their school district logistics

Therefore, school district plans may vary greatly based on their constraints, challenges and opportunities for specific implementation

## REOPENING TASK FORCE

#### STEERING and COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

- 5 Board of Education Members
- 5 Central Office Administrators

#### **OPERATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE**

**HEALTH & SAFETY SUBCOMMITTEE** 

LEARNING & INSTRUCTION SUBCOMMITTEE

SPECIAL EDUCATION SUBCOMMITEE

TECHNOLOGY SUBCOMMITTEE

For more information, **CLICK HERE** 

# GUIDING PRINCIPLES

These plans reflect the needs and concerns of families and staff while maintaining **priorities** for **health**, **safety**, rigorous

instruction, and necessary support services.

## **GUIDING PRINCIPLES**

In determining resumption of in-person instruction, the District considered the following factors:

- (1) ability to maintain appropriate social distancing or face coverings
  - (2) PPE and face covering availability
  - (3) availability of safe transportation
    - (4) local hospital capacity

### NYS REOPENING CRITERIA

As per Governor Cuomo, schools can reopen for the 2020-21 school year under the following criteria:



COVID-19 regional infection rate below 5%



Region in Phase 4

## MASK AND FACE COVERINGS



- **REQUIRED** to be worn by all staff and students. District will provide face coverings for individuals arriving to the buildings without one
- LOCATIONS: school buses, in common areas of school buildings, and in classrooms during instruction
- NOT REQUIRED WHEN: during a developed mask break schedule or when they are eating/drinking
- There is a provision for parents to submit medical documentation regarding a child who may not be medically able to wear a mask for extended periods of time

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### TRANSPORTATION

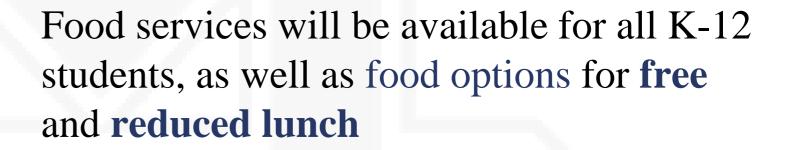


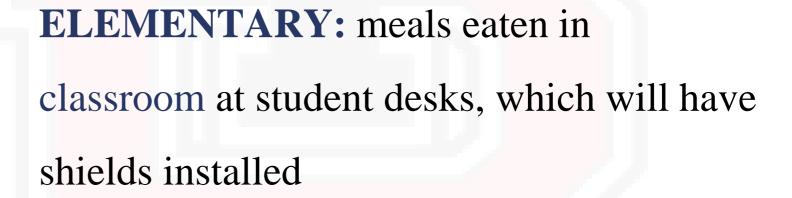
**SEATING ARRANGEMENTS:** 60 passenger buses have 20 seats in 10 rows, siblings required to sit together in one seat, social distanced if feasible

DISINFECTING: First Student to clean, sanitize and disinfect buses once a day using Signet Neutral Disinfectant; high touch spots on buses will be cleaned before both AM and PM runs

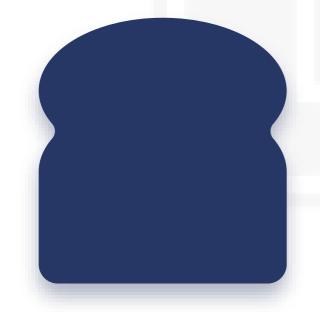
**FACE COVERINGS:** all students required to wear face coverings inside District buses

### FOOD SERVICES





SECONDARY: meals eaten in the cafeteria at individual desks to maintain appropriate social distancing



# SCHOOL SCHEDULE: ELEMENTARY

# ANDREW MULLER PRIMARY SCHOOL LADDIE A. DECKER SOUND BEACH SCHOOL



- ON-SITE INSTRUCTION: five days per week
- Projected approximately 17 students per classroom
- Masks required at all times except for scheduled breaks and meals
- Lunch in classrooms

# SCHOOL SCHEDULE: SECONDARY

# NORTH COUNTRY ROAD MIDDLE SCHOOL MILLER PLACE HIGH SCHOOL



- HYBRID MODEL: two-day onsite instruction, one-day live remote instruction and two-day remote learning
- Full day of instruction with approximately 50% of students onsite each in-session school day
- Masks required at all times except for scheduled breaks and meals

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# SCHOOL SCHEDULE: SELF-CONTAINED SPECIAL EDUCATION

• **ELEMENTARY:** five days, onsite instruction



• **SECONDARY:** four days onsite instruction and one-day live remote instruction

# MEDICALLY QUALIFIED ONLINE LEARNING

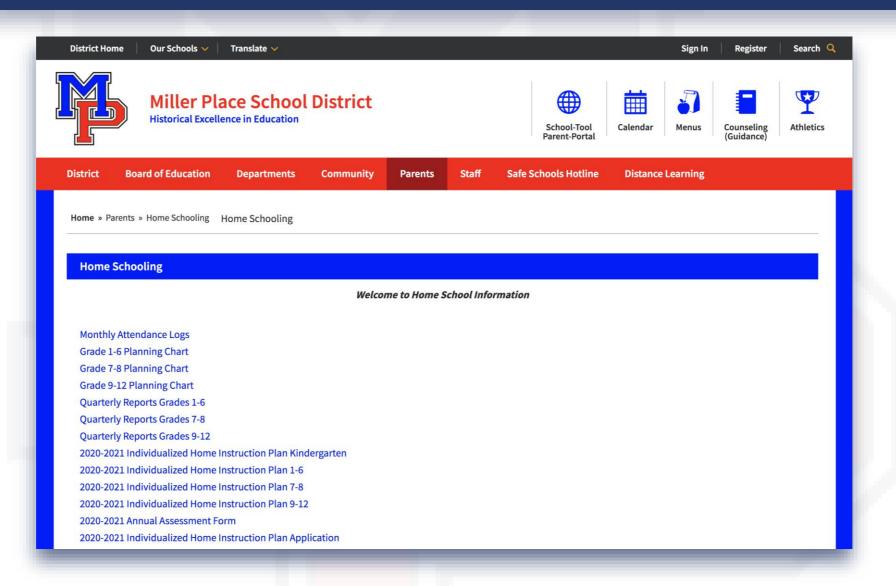
Vulnerable students who medically **qualify** to participate **in full-time online learning** may be offered a program facilitated by one of the following:

District personnel

Eastern Suffolk BOCES

Home tutoring instruction

#### HOME SCHOOLING



- If you plan to homeschool (parent provided instruction) your child for the 2020-21 school year, please immediately contact your child's principal so he/she can assist you to begin that process
- For more information, **CLICK HERE**

#### **Screening and Temperature Check Protocols**

**FACULTY AND STAFF:** faculty and staff required to check temperature and complete a COVID-19 screening questionnaire daily prior to attending work. Staff with a temperature ≥100°F or has a positive response to the questionnaire should not report to work

**STUDENTS:** parents and guardians should not send students to school with a fever  $\geq 100^{\circ}$ F or symptoms of COVID-19. Student screening may include a daily temperature check, periodic screening questionnaire, and written protocol will be provided for parents as guidelines

#### **Building Protocols**

**ISOLATION ROOMS:** ill students and staff will be assessed and isolated in a separate designated room, not the health office

VISITORS: limit the number of visitors on school grounds or in school facilities except for picking up a sick child. There will be no drop off of student items during the school day. Daily health screenings **form** for visitors, guests, contractors, and vendors, who will be required to sign and acknowledging they are COVID-19 symptom free and are required to wear a face covering

#### **Building Protocols**

**HALLWAYS:** traffic patterns will be enforced with directional **signage** to alleviate traffic congestion, and hand sanitizing dispensers have been installed next to the hallway door for all classrooms

**STUDENT DROP-OFF AND DISMISSAL:** designated building entrances/exits with staggered procedures (areas and process may vary by building)

**SIGNAGE:** proper respiratory hygiene and social distancing verbiage/graphics distributed throughout hallways and classrooms in each building to enforce proper social distancing protocols

#### **Building Protocols**

**DAILY SANITIZING:** high touch areas will be sanitized daily, restrooms will be monitored for cleanliness throughout the day

**REVISED CODE OF CONDUCT:** social distancing information will be added to the District's Code of Conduct for parents and students to review

**VENTILATION:** utilizing the installed unit ventilators and air handlers that provide fresh air into an occupied space while mixing it with inside air prior to passing the air over the coils before air is pushed into the room. Windows will be opened/cracked for increased fresh air

#### **Building Protocols**

**BATHROOMS:** paper towels have been installed to replace hand dryers

HAND WASHING STATIONS have been ordered to increase access for students to wash their hands

**ELEMENTARY DESK SHIELDS** have been ordered for all student desks

# SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL WELLBEING

#### MENTAL HEALTH RESPONSIVE PRACTICES:

mental health and counseling staff will provide mental health support and resources, including group or individual counseling and consultation for students and families as needed

**ELEMENTARY:** students will participate in morning meetings with staff

**SECONDARY:** all grade levels will have **check-ins** with staff



# BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS

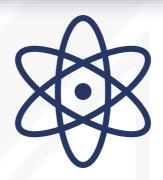
SCOPE PRE-K PROGRAM: we anticipate SCOPE will offer this program following health and safety protocols of the District

SCOPE BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS: we anticipate SCOPE will offer this program following health and safety protocols of the District

**EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:** may be offered to the best of the District's ability as per guidance and regulations of multiple governing agencies

ATHLETICS: fall sports delayed by NYSPHSAA until September 21, NYSPHSAA alternative plan: three season schedule beginning in January

### **DEVELOPMENT**

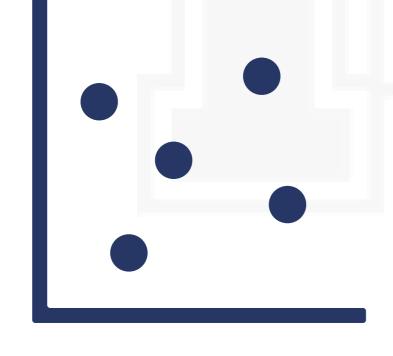


GOOGLE CLASSROOM: the District adopted a new management system, Google Classroom to replace Microsoft 365 (TEAMS)

**STAFF TRAINING:** opportunities for staff to participate in at least nine hours of Google professional development prior to start of school

**STUDENTS AND GUARDIANS:** orientation and instructional videos will be shared with students and parents

### PARENT SURVEY



- Parents were recently asked to complete a survey regarding reopening schools in September
- For survey results, **CLICK HERE**

# **QUESTIONS**



**FAQ:** Based on questions submitted to this email address will be used to develop a frequently asked questions (FAQ) section on the Reopen Schools Information page on the District website



For the District's full reopening schools plan, CLICK HERE