

KCS CONNECT

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Health And Safety / Frequently Asked Questions

This FAQ sheet will be updated as new information becomes available.

Will temperature checks be conducted every day?

Every person who enters the school building will be required to have a temperature check. For more information about temperature checks, school closures, and decisions about quarantining students and staff, please see our COVID-19 Protocols FAQ.

Will students be required to wear masks?

All students will be required to wear an appropriate mask while on campus when physical distancing isn't possible unless a student is unable to remove a mask without assistance or has a medical condition or other need preventing it.

Will masks be provided?

Masks will be provided to staff and students if needed.

Will teachers and other school employees be required to wear masks?

All staff will be required to wear an appropriate mask while on campus when physical distancing isn't possible or there is a medical condition preventing it.

How will schools ensure physical distancing in classrooms?

Physical distancing at the recommended distances will not always be possible in every classroom due to the differences in classroom and class sizes. The district is taking steps to otherwise mitigate the risk of an infection being shared. These include:

1. Physical distancing will be observed to the greatest extent possible in each classroom.
2. Daily temperature checks for all students and staff.
3. Regular disinfection of high contact surfaces, common areas, restrooms, and classrooms.
4. Providing hand sanitizer to all classrooms.

5. Use of masks.

How will schools ensure social distancing in common areas?

Mass gatherings such as assemblies and pep rallies should not be held unless appropriate physical distancing can be maintained.

If a COVID-19 vaccine is created, will it be a requirement for enrollment?

Vaccination requirements are determined by the state, so KCS would follow their guidance.

Will visitors be allowed on campus?

Visitor access will be restricted to essential personnel and those who have scheduled appointments for school business that cannot be conducted over the phone or by email.

- Visitors will be required to wear a mask.
- Visitors will be expected to adhere to physical distancing requirements.
- Visitors will be subject to temperature checks. Anyone with a temperature of 100.4 or greater must reschedule.

How often will schools be cleaned?

Buildings will undergo daily sanitizing for high-touch areas such as doorknobs, handrails, and countertops using a COVID-certified disinfectant. Common areas such as administrative areas, libraries, cafeterias, auditoriums, gymnasiums, and hallways will be misted with a COVID-certified disinfectant daily. Classrooms will be cleaned per the district's standing protocols and as needed; they will be misted at least every other day. Restrooms will be monitored and disinfected multiple times each day. Additionally, each classroom will be provided with hand sanitizer and disinfectant.

Buildings will also be disinfected either in part or in their entirety as may be necessary following a positive COVID diagnosis of a student or staff member.

Custodial shifts and hours may be adjusted to support these requirements.

Is KCS relying on students to clean classrooms?

No.

Will secondary students be moving between classrooms?

This will be determined by each school's administrative team.

Where will students eat lunch?

This will be determined by each school's administrative team. Food Service personnel are prepared to support plans devised by the school administration.

Will students be allowed to use playgrounds?

Yes.

How will teachers ensure that supplies such as crayons, scissors, and other items are not shared?

KCS teachers will determine what strategy they implement to ensure materials are not shared.

Will students have access to hand sanitizer? How often will they be able to wash their hands?

Yes. The frequency of use will depend upon the specific classes and the activities in which they are engaged.

Will before- and after-school organizations still have access to school campuses?

Yes.