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## GIBBS HIGH SCHOOL

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### **Gibbs High School 2020-21 Reopening Plan for Families**

Gibbs High School will work with Knox County Schools in providing a reasonably safe opening of school for our students, staff, and families. Further information regarding the plan can be found in the [District Guide for Reopening Knox County Schools](#). Our plan below outlines protocols when Knox County Schools operate in the *Yellow* category. More specific information will be shared with students when they return to school on August 17, 2020.

#### **Student Arrival**

- The following doors will be open and accessible for student entry at designated times. All other doors will remain locked. No doors will be open prior to 7:30 a.m.
  - Bus Loading Dock-7:30 a.m.
  - Office Lobby-7:30 a.m.
  - Tazewell Pike Entrance-8:00 a.m.
  - Main Gym Lobby-8:00 a.m.
  - CTE Carpentry Shop Entrance-8:15 a.m.
- The Office Lobby door will be accessible for students, staff, parents, and other visitors beginning at 8:00 a.m. Parents and visitors must only use this entrance.
- Students must go to the following holding areas: cafeteria, library, main gym, or other designated areas until 8:15 a.m. At 8:15 a.m., students will report to their 1<sup>st</sup> period classroom.
- Car riders and students parking in the side lot will use the office or main gym lobby entrances.
- Students parking in front of the CTE building will use the bus loading dock entrance.
- Students parking at the Tazewell Pk. lot will use the entrance between rooms 120-121.
- All students must move toward the designated entry points once they arrive on campus.

#### **Visitors**

- ALL visitors to campus must enter through the Office Lobby doors. Visitors will press the call button to communicate with the office staff. Visitors may be asked to wait outside until their request can be fulfilled instead of immediately coming inside the building. Prior to entering, visitors must have a temperature check. Anyone with a temperature of 100.4 or greater must reschedule. Once in the office, they will be processed in our new visitor management system.
- Outside guests will be limited to essential and pre-approved visitation.
- 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.
- ALL visitors will be required to wear an appropriate mask and social distance.

#### **Temperature Checks**

- All students, staff, and visitors will have temperature checks each day upon arrival.

- Students with a temperature above 100.4 F or greater will be isolated, and parents will be called to pick them up.
- A student with fever and no other symptoms must be fever free without the assistance of fever-reducing medications for 24 hours before returning to school.
- A student with fever and COVID-19 symptoms must remain home for 72 hours and have met the criteria to discontinue home isolation and have consulted their primary care provider.

### **Masks**

- Because physical distancing is not feasible at all locations on the school campus, masks will be required. Examples of areas and times where physical distancing is not feasible includes, but not limited to the following:
  - Classrooms where physical distancing is not possible
  - Temperature check lines and entry into the school buildings
  - Holding areas before school
  - Cafeteria serving line
  - Hallways and class breaks
  - Restrooms
- Face masks will be provided to staff, students, and visitors if needed.
- Teachers have the autonomy to require masks at all times in the classroom.
- School administration reserves the right to determine the appropriateness of a mask.

### **Cafeteria**

- Cafeteria tables and chairs will be set up to promote social distancing to the greatest extent possible.
- Students will wear masks while going through the meal line. Masks are not required while eating or drinking.
- Meals will be served in clamshell containers with plastic flatware.
- Physical distancing will be implemented to the greatest extent possible during meal distribution and consumption.
- At breakfast, all students will eat in the cafeteria only. During lunch, all students will only be permitted in the cafeteria or main gym.

### **Social Distancing**

- Student desks will be placed in a way to promote social distancing. We will make every effort to place student desks 4'-6' apart. However, this is difficult to manage with some class spaces, class sizes, and coursework. As a result, the expectation is that appropriate masks must be worn in the classroom, especially when social distancing is difficult to maintain.
- During class breaks, students will be expected to be moving and not allowed to congregate in large groups.
- Masks will be required during class breaks and while in hallways.
- Numbers of students in a restroom at any given time will be restricted based on the size of the facility. Staff will be outside of the restroom to monitor during class breaks.
- There will be no mass gatherings or assemblies.

### **Cleaning**

- Signage will be placed near the restrooms and common areas about the importance of hygiene, hand washing, masks, and social distancing.
- Custodial staff will follow the cleaning schedule found in the *District Guide for Reopening Knox County Schools*.
- Each classroom will be provided with hand sanitizer and disinfectant.
- Shared equipment will be wiped down and/or sprayed after each use with disinfectant.
- Locker rooms and dressing rooms will be closed to students during the school day.

### **After School Events/Field Trips**

- Knox County Schools and TSSAA will provide guidelines for all after-school functions.
- Field trips will not be allowed during the 1<sup>st</sup> semester of the 2020-21 school year.

### **Technology Deployment**

- Gibbs High School will be a 1:1 technology school this year! Each active student will receive a Chromebook for school use.
- Click [Technology Device Agreement](#) to indicate permission/registration for your student to check out a device to take home. This must be completed either online or on paper in order for your child to receive a Chromebook.
- 2. Click [Device Protection/Insurance](#) to access the Device Protection/Insurance Plan. Acceptance of this item is OPTIONAL and requires a \$30 premium for the 2020-21 school year. Fee may be paid online within this form or by check made to Gibbs High.
- Deployment Dates and Times
  - August 11-Seniors from 1:00-4:00 p.m.
  - August 12-Juniors from 9:00 a.m.-Noon
  - August 12-Sophomores from 1:00-4:00 p.m.
  - August 13-Freshmen at 8:30 a.m. by Homeroom
  - If a student is unable to attend, the student will receive their device on the first day of school with a completed Technology Device Agreement.

*This plan is subject to changes and modifications at any time as necessary.*

We know these changes are difficult for all of us. Nevertheless, they are necessary for the health, safety, and well-being of all our students and staff while on campus. We need your cooperation in following each of these guidelines as they will help our school stay open during this time. We ask for your grace and understanding as our staff works to the best of our ability to implement this plan. There will be mistakes. Things will not always operate perfectly. However, please know we will adapt and adjust the plan as needed. We want to see our Gibbs Eagles back where they belong...at Gibbs High School!

If you need any support or have questions, please feel free to call or email any of our outstanding staff members. Check our [website](#) often for updates in both the [announcements](#) and [calendar](#) sections. It is going to be great seeing our students back in Gibbs!

We can do this! Remember...We Are Gibbs!

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