



Covington Independent Public Schools

2022-23 Reopening Plan

Covington Independent Public Schools looks forward to the start of the new school year on August 29, 2022. Team Covington is committed to in-person instruction, five days a week for the 2022-23 school year. The team developed this plan with our guiding principle at the forefront: The safety and well-being of our students, staff, families and community will always be our top priority. Please note: our reopening plan is a living document and is subject to change throughout the school year. We will update this document as needed.

Teaching and Learning

Team Covington believes that in-person learning is crucial to the academic, social and emotional well-being of our students. To that end, we will offer in-person classes five days a week to all students in K-12. Preschool students will attend in-person classes their regular four days a week. However, we know that some families will consider a virtual option for their children. Families can select the Bulldog Virtual Academy for students in grades 6-12. This program is completely online. Families can apply and find more information online at www.covington.kyschools.us.

Health and Safety Expectations

As stated above, the safety and well-being of our students, staff, families and community will always be our top priority. Covington will use the following layered prevention strategies:

- **MASKS:** Masks are no longer required in Covington Schools, but may be worn by students or staff members
- **DISTRICT TRANSPORTATION:** Masks are not required for Covington school buses, and they are also optional on TANK buses.
- **VACCINATION:** Team Covington will promote and offer vaccinations to students and staff (as available and recommended).
- **SCREENING/TESTING:** Through Covington's partnership with HealthPoint, COVID-19 testing will be available for students and staff members who display symptoms of the virus.
- **VENTILATION:** The district will continue to evaluate our current ventilation systems and make improvements as needed and as funds are available.
- **HANDWASHING:** Team Covington recommends that the district teach and practice handwashing with soap and water or use hand sanitizer.

- **ISOLATION:** Covington Schools will continue to encourage students and staff members who are ill to stay home. Anyone who tests positive for COVID-19 should self-isolate away from school for the required time period. It is expected that all staff and students report a positive COVID case immediately to their administration. In addition, the district recommends that anyone who is ill with COVID-like symptoms seeks proper medical attention and self-isolate for the required time period. The district will continue to work closely with school nurses when schools are made aware of a sick or exposed student or staff member.
- **CLEANING AND DISINFECTION:** Team Covington will continue cleaning and disinfecting schools and offices with an emphasis on more frequent disinfecting of high-touch areas.

Athletics/Extra-Curricular Activities

All guidance in this document is applicable to athletics/extra-curricular activities and athletics governed by KHSAA must follow their requirements.

