

## COVID-19 Mitigation Measures

The following COVID-19 mitigation measures will be taken during the 2020-21 school year until further notice.

All students, faculty, staff, vendors and other visitors to USD 447 school attendance centers and school vehicles will cover their mouth and nose with a mask or other face covering at all times except as described below:

- a. While eating;
- b. While working—other than to prepare food or meals—in a room or office that is (1) not open to students or visitors and (2) in which all individuals present can maintain a 6-foot distance from other individuals with only infrequent or incidental moments of closer proximity;
- c. While engaged in an activity during which it is unsafe or impossible to wear a mask or other face covering;
- d. Children who are not students **and** are 5 years of age or under—children age two years and under in particular should not wear a face covering because of the risk of suffocation;
- e. Persons with a medical condition, mental health condition, or disability that prevents wearing a face covering—this includes persons with a medical condition for whom wearing a face covering could obstruct breathing or who are unconscious, incapacitated, or otherwise unable to remove a face covering without assistance;
- f. Persons who are deaf or hard of hearing, or communicating with a person who is deaf or hard of hearing, where the ability to see the mouth is essential for communication;
- g. Persons for whom wearing a face covering would create a risk to the person related to their work, as determined by local, state, or federal regulators or workplace safety guidelines; and
- h. Persons engaged in any lawful activity during which wearing a mask or other face covering is prohibited by law.

2. Throughout all USD 447 school buildings or facilities individuals shall maintain a 6-foot distance from other individuals with only infrequent or incidental moments of closer proximity.
  - a. This requirement does not apply to in-person instruction in classrooms when masks or other face coverings are worn.
3. Hand sanitizer shall be made available in all classrooms and shall be made conveniently accessible throughout other areas of the school buildings or facilities. Students and faculty shall sanitize their hands at regular intervals throughout the school day and no less than once every hour,
4. Individuals entering all USD 447 attendance centers shall have their temperatures checked before entering the building for the first time each day.

"Mask or other face covering" means a covering of the nose and mouth that is secured to the head with ties, straps, or loops over the ears or is simply wrapped around the lower face. A mask or other face covering can be made of a variety of synthetic and natural fabrics, including cotton, silk, or linen. Ideally, a mask or other face covering has two or more layers. A mask or other face covering may be factory-made, sewn by hand, or can be improvised from household items such as scarfs, bandanas, t-shirts, sweatshirts, or towels.