



M. R. Weaver Elementary School

School-Level Strong Start Plan



Our primary goal is to ensure the safety of all students, faculty, and staff at M. R. Weaver Elementary to the best possible extent. Our school-level Strong Start Plan outlines protective measures that will be taken throughout the COVID-19 pandemic.

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Guidelines for Grouping

- Static groups of no more than 25 students, understanding that individuals within those groups may come into closer contact than 6-feet of social distancing.

Face Coverings

- Face coverings **MUST** be worn at all times by **EVERYONE** on campus.
- **ALL** students in grades 3 & 4 are mandated to wear masks.
- Families shall provide students with their own masks.
- Please teach your students proper mask etiquette and handling.

Temperature Checks

- Thermal cameras have been mounted at the carline entrance, bus entrance, and the main office entrance.
- All who enter our campus will have temperature checks.
- Anyone with a temperature of 100.4 or above will be held in the “sick room” (Room 124).
- Employees’ and other adults’ temperature checks will be taken and recorded daily on a COVID Screening Form.

Sick Room

- The room right by the bus entrance will be used as a sick room.
- Partitions will be set up and spaced appropriately for separation.
- This will serve as a holding room until parents can pick up their students.

Arrival (carline) – see map

- Students will hand sanitize when entering the building, passing through a thermal scanner.
- Any student with a temperature of 100.4 or above will be escorted to the sick room.
- Doors will be propped open to limit contact exposure.
- All carline students will enter the 3rd grade hall and pick up a grab-and-go breakfast.
- Students will walk to their classroom door and sit in the hallway (with static groups separated by partitions).
- Masks will be worn while in the hallway, with the exception of students eating their breakfast.

Arrival (bus) – see map

- Students will hand sanitize when entering the building, passing through a thermal scanner.
- Any student with a temperature of 100.4 or above will be escorted to the sick room.
- Doors will be propped open to limit contact exposure.
- All bus riders will enter the doors near the cafeteria and pick up a grab-and-go breakfast.
- Students will walk to their classroom door and sit in the hallway (with static groups separated by partitions).
- Masks will be worn while in the hallway, with the exception of students eating their breakfast.

Dismissal (carline) – see map

- Partitions will be used to separate classroom static groups of students.
- Rooms near the carline dismissal area will also be used to separate classroom static groups in lieu of partitions when possible.
- Car tags will be used to more easily identify/locate students at dismissal.

Dismissal (bus) – see map

- Partitions will be used in the gym and front hallway to separate classroom static groups of students.
- Rooms near the bus dismissal area will also be used to separate classroom static groups in lieu of partitions when possible.
- Bus tags will be used to more easily identify/locate students at dismissal.

Partitions

- Partitions measuring 5 feet tall and 5 feet wide made with PVC pipe and plastic covering will be used during different times of the day (arrival and dismissal) to separate static classroom groups.

Hand Sanitizing/Hand Washing

- Stations will be placed in high frequency areas (see map), at main entrances, as well as inside each classroom.
- Students will sanitize when entering and before exiting a classroom.
- Classroom sinks/restrooms will be utilized to the best extent possible as washing/restroom stations.
- Students will sanitize picking up a grab-and-go breakfast, and upon entrance to the cafeteria when picking up lunches.
- Students will wash with soap and water prior to leaving the restroom.
- Teachers will have hand sanitizer dispensers and hand sanitizer provided and installed inside each classroom by the school.

Classroom Cleaning

- Classroom surfaces will be disinfected twice daily by the classroom teacher.
- Teachers will use a microfiber towel and a spray bottle approved disinfectant (provided by the school).
- Laundered microfiber towels (2) will be picked up at clock in; dirty microfiber towels will be left outside the classroom with trashcans in the evening.
- Teachers will complete a daily checklist for disinfecting procedures, which will be submitted weekly to Dr. Solice.
- Disinfectant solution, spray bottle, and microfiber towels will be provided to the teacher by the school.

Water Stations

- Water fountains will be disconnected and water bottle filling stations will be installed.
- Students are encouraged to bring a water bottle for such use.
- Drinking out of water fountains will be strictly prohibited.

Hallway/Restroom Cleaning

- Custodial staff will disinfect high frequency hallway and restroom areas.
- Custodians will complete a daily checklist for disinfecting procedures, which will be submitted weekly to Dr. Solice.

Breakfast/Lunch

- Breakfast will be served in grab-and-go bags. The breakfast stations will be located just inside the school doors at both the carline drop off and the bus drop off.
- Students will sanitize prior to making their breakfast and milk selection.
- Lunch will be served in a traditional manner with the exception of the use of To-Go plates.
- Students will exit the serving line and return to the classroom to eat their meal.
- Assistance will be provided by duty personnel in gathering students' milk, silverware, and condiments.
- Admin will provide large trashcans at the end of each hallway for tray disposal.
- Teachers will follow a strict schedule to enter and exit the cafeteria in a timely manner.

Restroom Procedures

- Teachers will adhere to a strict restroom schedule.
- Limit single student trips to restroom to the greatest extent possible.
- A single static group may enter the restroom at a time.
- Students will wash hands with soap and water prior to exiting.

Recess

- Students will have recess on a daily basis dependent on weather according to the master schedule.
- Students will not use playground equipment or other commonly shared/community property.
- Students will have designated play spaces separated from other static groups (see map).

Electives/Specials

- Students, within their static groups, will attend one of the three offered electives each day. Students will line up/dismiss from electives 5-10 minutes early each day to allow time for proper cleaning. Specials teachers will pick up and drop off their students from class each day.
- **PE**
 - Coaches' Beaudion and Danna will divide two static groups in the gym, with one static group on each side.
 - Only non-contact games will be played.
 - Partitions will be used down the middle of the gym to separate static groups.
 - Foggers with non-toxic disinfectant chemicals will be used to properly clean the gym.
- **Computers**
 - Mrs. Rodriguez will be provided with ample cleaning supplies to properly disinfect and clean technology between use from one static group to the next.
- **Art**
 - Mrs. Marr will be provided with ample cleaning supplies to properly disinfect and clean surfaces between use from one static group to the next.
 - Students will have their own art materials inside of a labeled Ziplock bag.

Office

- Parents/Visitors will not be allowed to enter the school building without a pre-scheduled appointment.
 - A formal COVID screening process will take place for scheduled appointments.
- The school secretary will handle late check-ins and early checkouts through the office window labeled "Window Service."

Centers/Stations

- Students should work from "buckets or tubs" with tubs changing daily or weekly. Materials must be sanitized between students.
- Students should not rotate centers with the use of a management board.
- Sanitizing spray will be provided to properly clean materials.

Professional Development

- See the Natchitoches Parish Strong Start Plan for more guidance on COVID-19 PD.
- This PD will occur the week of August 24th; sign in sheets will be provided.

Suspected STUDENT COVID-19 Procedures

- If a faculty or staff member suspects a student is displaying symptoms of COVID-19, they must contact Dr. Solice, Mrs. Williams, Mr. Martin or Mrs. Hall immediately.
- **Other faculty and staff members OR central office should NOT be contacted. Administration will contact the parent. Not adhering to these guidelines is a violation of HIPPA.**
- Dr. Solice, Mrs. Williams, Mr. Martin or Mrs. Hall will contact Linda Page, NPSB HR Director, for further instructions and guidance.
- DO NOT BRING THE STUDENT TO THE OFFICE; STAY WHERE YOU ARE AND CONTACT SOLICE, WILLIAMS, MARTIN, OR HALL.
- Decisions on sending teachers home, students' home, closing classrooms, and/or the school will come directly from Mrs. Page or Mr. Eloi using the guidance of the Department of Health and Hospitals.

Suspected Faculty or Staff COVID-19 Procedures

- See district strong start plan

Leave Policy for COVID-19 Related Absences

- See district strong start plan

Personal Hygiene/Health

- Do not send students to school who are not feeling well or are displaying COVID-19-like symptoms.
- Maintain good personal hygiene/cleanliness.
- Teach students the importance of such.
- Teach students how to communicate how they're feeling in a better effort to help teachers and other school staff monitor symptoms.

A/B-Day Schedule

- Although students in Grades 3 & 4 will report to school five days per week, we will operate on an A/B-Day schedule.
- On Mondays, Wednesdays, and every other Fridays, students will attend class all day with either their ELA/Social Studies teacher OR their Math/Science teachers.

- On Tuesdays, Thursdays, and every other Fridays, students will attend class all day with the other teacher.
- Students will still have specials and recess daily.

Concessions

- We will still have concessions on Thursdays and Fridays.
- A representative will collect and deliver orders to classrooms.