



NSU Middle Lab School School Level Strong Start Plan

Our primary goal is to ensure the safety of all students, faculty and staff at NSU Middle Lab School. 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

- Class size will not exceed 25 students or a partition will separate the room into two groups of 25 or fewer students. All adults and all students must wear a mask at all times. Students will be seated with proper spacing or will sit behind sneeze guards in classrooms.

Face Coverings

- Face Covering must be worn at all times by all adults and students in grades 6 - 8 on campus. Adults and students are responsible for providing their own face covering.

Temperature Checks

- A thermal camera will be mounted at the front door entrance.
- All students will have temperature checks.
- Students with a temperature of 100.4 or higher will be held in the "sick room." Room 165 and room 166.
- Employees temperature checks will be taken at clock in and recorded on sign-in sheet.

Sick Room

- Room 165 and 166 will be used as a sick rooms.
- A teacher will monitor the sick rooms from the hall.
- The room will not be used as a pass through for students or employees
- Student Privacy will be maintained.

Arrival (carline) 7:20 a.m. – 7:40 a.m.

- Students will hand sanitize when entering the building, passing through a thermal scanner.
- Any student will a temperature 100.4 or higher will be escorted to the sick room.
- Doors will be propped open to limit contact exposure.
- Students will walk to their classroom.
- Students may eat breakfast upon entry following temperature scan.

Arrival (bus)

- Students will exit their bus and enter building.
- Students will hand sanitize when entering the building, passing through a thermal scanner.
- Any student will a temperature 100.4 or higher will be escorted to the sick room.
- Doors will be propped open to limit contact exposure.
- Students may eat breakfast upon entry following temperature scan.
- Students will walk to the gym before 7:20 a.m. and to their first period classroom after 7:20 a.m.

Dismissal (bus and car)

- Bus riders will follow the one-way hallway movement pattern to the front entrance side walk. All students waiting on bus pickup will sit on walkway benches observing proper spacing.
- Students will wear a mask during bus pickup and on the bus ride home.
- Car riders will follow the one-way hallway movement pattern to the parking lot.
- Students will be spaced properly around the hillside.
- Students will wear a mask during car rider pickup.
- Car line pickup procedures will remain consistent with those of past school years.

Partitions

- Partitions measuring 8 feet tall and 8 feet wide will be used in situations where more than 25 students gather.

Hand Sanitizing / Hand Washing

- 25 Stations are placed in high frequency areas as well as inside each classroom.
- Students will sanitize before exiting a classroom.
- Students will sanitize prior to entering the cafeteria for breakfast.
- Students will wash with soap and water prior to leaving the restroom.
- Hand sanitizer stations will be mounted in each classroom as well as each restroom area

Classroom Cleaning

- Classroom surfaces will be disinfected daily by the classroom teacher during each transition.
- Teachers will use a microfiber towel and a spray bottle approved disinfectant (Virex).
- Teachers will complete a daily checklist for disinfecting procedures, which will be submitted weekly to Principal.

- Disinfectant solution (Virex), spray bottle and microfiber towels will be provided to the teacher by the school (Red River Sanitors/NSU).

Water Stations

- Water fountains will be disconnected and water bottle filling stations (4) will be installed.
- Students are encouraged to bring a water bottle to leave a school.

Hallway/Restroom Cleaning

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

Lunch

- Students will sanitize prior to making their milk selection.
- Lunch will be served in the classroom during the mid-day period Demon 30.
- Lunchroom Servers will fill a bag/plate with student's milk of choice, silverware, and condiments and carry to the classroom for the students.
- Admin will provide large trash cans at the end of each hallway for tray disposal.
- A staggered lunch schedule will be followed.

Restroom Procedures

- Teachers will adhere to the strict restroom schedule.
- Limit single student trips to restroom to the greatest extent possible.
- Students will use 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.
- Students will have designated play spaces separated from other static groups.

Electives and Physical Education

Music and Art will occur daily. Students will wear a mask and distancing will be required.

Physical Education will occur daily. No dress in/out required. Spacing, Partition, and Masks will be observed.

Office

- Parents will not be allowed to enter the school building after the week of August 31st.
- If a student is tardy, parents will walk them to the door and sign them in on the clipboard that will be placed on a cart outside of the front doors.
- If parents need to drop off belongings left at home, they will place them on a cart outside the front doors. All items must be labeled.

Centers/Stations/Classroom Materials

- Students should will be provided with a materials pouch. Students will use his/her materials in every class. No sharing of learning materials will be allowed.
- Sanitizing spray will be provided to properly clean surface areas.

Professional Development

- See the Natchitoches 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 suspects a student is displaying symptoms of Covid-19 contact Ben LaGrone, Kate White, Tracy Armstrong, or Nurse Jordan, RN.
- **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.**
- Mr. LaGrone, Mrs. White, Mrs. Armstrong, or Nurse Jordan will contact Linda Page for further instructions.
- DO NOT BRING THE STUDENT TO THE OFFICE, STAY WHERE YOU ARE AND CONTACT MR. LAGRONE, MRS. WHITE, MRS. ARMSTRONG, OR NURSE JORDAN.

WE WILL COME TO YOU.

- Decisions on sending teachers home, students' home, closing classrooms, and/or the school will come directly from Mrs. Page and 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