



Preventing the Spread of COVID-19

2020-2021



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The following health and safety measures will be established and implemented based on the current community and/or school spread and other available information as provided by local and state health agencies. While COVID-19 is mostly spread through droplets generated by coughing, sneezing, and talking, disinfection of environmental surfaces such as furniture and fixtures is an important component of an effective infection control program. We must work together to successfully mitigate the spread of the coronavirus in our school district.



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Baldwin County Schools will utilize products with Influenza and COVID-19 kill claims. These products are dispensed using a dispensing unit such as conventional sprayers, foggers and electrostatic sprayers. Custodians will adhere to CDC guidelines on cleaning and using EPA approved cleaning chemicals to minimize the spread of COVID-19. **Some examples of the approved products being utilized include:**



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- ***Bioesque Botanical Disinfectant Solution (EPA #87742-1-92595)*** - One step and no wipe - Cleans and disinfects. Kills over 99.9% of bacteria, germs, influenza and COVID-19 viruses in 1 minute on hard nonporous surfaces and within 2 minutes on soft surfaces.
- ***Virex II 256 by Diversey (EPA #70627-24)*** - One step, no rinse and no wipe - Kills over 99% of bacteria, germs, influenza and COVID-19 viruses in 1 minute on hard nonporous surfaces.
- ***Morning Mist by Diversey (EPA #1839-169-70627)***



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- **Alpha HP by Diversey (EPA #70627-62)** - Spray and wipe for hard, nonporous surfaces (i.e. floors, walls, restrooms and desks) and effective for cleaning prior to fogging or electrostatically spraying
- **Virex Plus by Diversy**
- **(EPA #6836-349-70627)** - One step, no rinse and no wipe
- **Crew NA (EPA #6836-73-70627)** - For restroom use
- **Oxivir 1 by Diversey (EPA #70627-77)** - One step cleaner and wipe



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teachers and students are strongly encouraged to clean frequently touched surfaces and clear their areas at the end of each day to allow for more thorough cleaning each evening.

The school facility will be fogged/sprayed as needed or if we have a positive COVID case. In addition, school will be fogged upon any significant reduction in attendance due to any type of contagious sickness.



IN-PERSON INSTRUCTION EXPECTATIONS

- All staff and faculty are required to check their temperature before coming to school and entering classrooms.
- Required Temperature checks for all employees and students once they arrive at school.
- Faculty and Staff will be issued masks and/or PPE and are required to wear them.
- Students attending in-person instruction are required to wear masks.
- Students are discouraged from sharing books, materials, supplies, or equipment.



IN-PERSON INSTRUCTION EXPECTATIONS

- All employees and students will be expected to maintain 6 feet of physical distance.
- Desks and seating areas will be arranged in classrooms to maximize space between students. Students will also face the same direction as much as possible.
- Regular breaks to wash hands with soap for 20 seconds or using hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol throughout the school day.



HEALTH & SAFETY PROTOCOLS

Behavioral practices to ensure all stakeholders are safe:

- Practice social distancing at all times.
- Frequently wash hands or use of alcohol-based (at least 60% alcohol) hand sanitizer when soap and water are not available
- Wear face coverings (cloth or disposable)
- Cover your mouth when you cough
- Avoid touching eyes, nose and mouth
- Stay home when sick



IMPROVED BUS SAFETY

- **Masks required for drivers**
- **Masks required for students riding school buses**
- **Buses will be cleaned and disinfected after morning and afternoon routes**
- **Parents may choose to transport their child/children**



ENHANCED FACILITY CLEANING

- **Servpro fogging**
- **Improve routine cleaning and disinfecting of facilities by custodians**
- **Disinfecting wipes will be provided to teachers and office staff to use on high "touch points" throughout the day**
- **Custodians adhere to CDC guidelines on cleaning and using approved chemicals to fight the spread of COVID-19**
- **High traffic areas and "touch points" are continually sanitized with daily cleaning of all occupied areas**
- **Response protocols in place for facilities impacted by COVID-19**
- **Ventilation systems will be monitored for proper operation (i.e. ionization system)**



HEALTH & SAFETY PROCEDURES

THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURES WILL BE IMPLEMENTED TO CLEAN AND DISINFECT BUSES IN TRANSPORTATION:

- All buses will be deep cleaned and disinfected before the reopening of school
- Buses will be wiped down, fogged and/or sprayed after every morning and afternoon route (at least twice daily - handrails, seats, windows, emergency exit etc.)
- Buses will be disinfected by using an electrostatic sprayer and/or fogger utilizing an EPA approved disinfectant (i.e. Bioesque Solution)
- A sanitizing station will be mounted on each bus for students to use
- Students will load from back to front and unload from front to back with assigned seats



HEALTH AND SAFETY PROCEDURES

FOLLOW THE FIVE STEPS TO WASHING YOUR HANDS THE RIGHT WAY:

Washing your hands is easy, and it's one of the most effective ways to prevent the spread of germs.

1. Wet your hands with clean, running water (warm or cold)
2. Lather your hands by rubbing them together with the soap. Lather the backs of your hands, between your fingers, and under your nails
3. Scrub your hands for at least 20 seconds. Need a timer? ***Hum the "Happy Birthday" song from beginning to end twice.*** *In addition to restrooms, all BCSD Elementary Schools also have access to a water faucet and sink in every classroom for the frequent washing of hands with soap and water*
4. Rinse your hands well under clean, running water
5. Dry your hands using a clean towel or air dry them



INSTRUCTION & SCHOOL EXPECTATIONS

ADDITIONAL PREVENTATIVE MEASURES:

- **Temperature checks for all employees and students**
- **Restricted use of water fountains/encourage use of water bottles**
- **Hand sanitizing stations installed in high traffic areas in all schools**
- **Number of visitors within the school building will be restricted; must also adhere to temperature checks and PPE guidelines**
- **Masks, gloves, and hand sanitizer made available to all stakeholders**
- **Masks and/or appropriate face coverings will be required to be worn by all students, staff and visitors (exceptions/alternative measures can be made for students and staff with physician documented pre-existing conditions that would propose a health risk)**
- **Face masks/covering must not create a distraction or cause a disruption to the learning process and will be monitored by school staff and administration discretion**



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ADDITIONAL PREVENTATIVE MEASURES:

- Instructions on proper use of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) will be addressed by administration and teachers
- Desks spaced out to improve social distancing in classrooms (goal is 6 ft. distancing)
- Students will eat meals in classrooms
- Transitions throughout the school day will be minimized where practical and reasonable
- Physical barriers in select locations in school buildings to protect against the spread of the virus
- Appropriate signage will be posted throughout each school and department on proper handwashing, symptoms of COVID-19, and ways to prevent the spread of germs.



ADDITIONAL PREVENTATIVE MEASURES:

- Employees and students must remain home if they have a fever and/or exhibiting the following symptoms related to COVID-19. Employees are responsible for monitoring their health and following the BCSD safety and prevention protocols.
- BCSD Procedures and Department of Public Health Guidance
 - Fever
 - Cough
 - Shortness of Breath
 - Fatigue
 - Muscle or body aches
 - Headache
 - New loss of taste or smell
 - Sore throat
 - Congestion or runny nose
 - Nausea or vomiting
 - Diarrhea



INSTRUCTION & SCHOOL EXPECTATIONS

QUESTIONS?