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Return to In Person Learning
Policies & Procedures
2021-2022

WHAT TO EXPECT WITH IN PERSON LEARNING

- **CLASSROOM**

- VES will be returning to pre--covid class schedules and class sizes of no more than 17 students per class.
- At this time there is no distance learning option available for the 2021-22 school year, this may be subject to change.

- **SOCIAL DISTANCING**

- Middle School students will enter and exit the building through the Middle School doors while High School students will enter and exit the building through the front door.
- Reminders to “social distance” will be frequent.
- This separation of High School and Middle School students will allow for easier contact tracing if the need arises.



- **ENHANCED CLEANING & HAND WASHING**

- Desks will be disinfected and cleaned between classes.
- Common areas will be disinfected and cleaned daily.
- Hand sanitizer will be located throughout the school.
- Reminders about frequent and thorough hand washing will be given throughout the day and posted throughout the school.



Voyageurs will obtain cleaning supplies through the most easily accessible resource at the time whether that is via an online store or local distributor.

- **FACE COVERINGS**



- Masks, or other face coverings as defined by MHD, will not be required per CDC guidelines.
- VES will not discourage masks for those that wish to wear them
- Face coverings, if worn, should be changed daily and washed nightly so that bacterial growth does not occur.
- Face coverings need to be worn correctly to ensure the effectiveness in stopping the spread of COVID-19 and other viruses.

WHAT PROCEDURES HAVE CHANGED TO KEEP EVERYONE SAFE?

- **Visitors**

- Visitors will not be allowed in the building past the office without prior permission.
- All persons that come into the building will have their temperature checked.

- **Water Fountains**

- Water fountains will not be available other than to fill water bottles.
- Students will be asked to supply their own water bottles and may fill the bottles at the water filling stations to carry with them to avoid the sharing of germs.



- **Classrooms**

- Student desks/tables will be arranged to allow as close to the 3-foot social distancing between students as space allows.

- **Office and Administration**

- VES will continuously monitor all guidelines from Minnesota departments of Health and Education as well as from the CDC for recommended procedures and precautions to keep everyone as safe as possible.
- In the event of an exposure, families will be directly contacted by VES staff.

- **Transportation**

- VES contracts with ISD #31 for bussing. Students are required to follow any behavior, health, and safety guidelines that the district requires.

Please feel free to take the survey that is linked below to let us know your thoughts on returning to in person learning.

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