

Three Peaks Elementary

CoVid-19 School Plan



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Three Peaks Elementary has designed the following plan under the direction of the ICSD reopening plan, the USBE School Reopening Handbook Plan and the CoVid-19 School Manual. A copy of the plan can be found at <https://irondistrict.org/> or at <https://schools.utah.gov/coronavirus> Please contact the office at Three Peaks Elementary for additional questions or concerns.

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What Do Parents Need to Do?

Before sending your child to school each day, please check to see if they have any of the following symptoms. Students with any of these symptoms should **not** be sent to school.

- Fever 100.4 or above, cough, trouble breathing, sore throat, sudden change of taste or smell, muscle aches or pains.



Students with symptoms at school will be directed discretely to the Yellow Room and parents/guardians will be contacted to pick up their child so they can take their child home (not optional) and seek medical testing/treatment, if desired.

Students can return to school after they are fever-free for 24 hours without the use of fever reducing medication, with symptoms improving, **and** after it has been at least 10 days since they first showed symptoms. Students that desire to return to school before that time may present a negative CoVid-19 test result, however, this is not required.



Three Peaks Elementary wants to encourage parents to visit the school **ONLY** for matters that can't be done via technology. All birthday treats must be "store purchased" and need to be dropped off at the office or sent to school with the student. All visitors and volunteers will be required to have a temperature check, complete a symptom checklist (if staying longer than 15 minutes), and wear a face mask upon entry into the school building.

Parents will also need to help their child/children clean their face masks on a regular basis.

Medical Rooms

Three Peaks Elementary will have three medical spaces in the building. First, in the office we will have a place for students that are hurt or sick with Non-CoVid-19 related symptoms. Second, a well space will be available for students with medical needs such as insulin or medication at school. Third, a separate room for students with symptoms related to CoVid-19. If it is determined that a student needs to visit this room, parents will be notified immediately and will be required to pick up their child.

Student Drop Off & Breakfast

Student Drop Off

Students can be dropped off at the front of the school anytime after 8:30 in the morning. All students will enter the school through their exterior classroom doors with the exception of Mrs. Rice, Mrs. Stratton, Kindergarten students, and the 4th and 5th grade students. These students will enter through the front door and follow hallway traffic signs to proceed to class. Classroom doors will be identified by the teacher's last name. Students that ride the bus in the morning will exit the bus and go directly to the exterior door of their classroom (with the above exceptions). After 9:00 am, students who are late will enter through the main entrance to pick up a late slip and then proceed to class. The main entrance doors will be locked at 9:30 am for the remainder of the day for the safety of our students, teachers, staff, parents, and volunteers. A doorbell will be available to notify the office staff to open the door or visitors may call the school (435-586-8871).

Breakfast

The following procedures will be in place to ensure the safety of breakfast students: Enter from the classroom exterior doors (with the exceptions listed above) that will be propped open or unlocked. Students will be served by grade level section and will be seated six feet apart. When students are finished, they will go straight to their classroom through the hallway.

Classrooms



Physical distancing is challenging in a school where classroom walls cannot be moved. In addition to providing as much physical distancing as possible, students and staff will be required to wear face masks, in accordance with the state public health order.

Classroom Organization

All students will have their own desk space and each classroom will be organized in a way that minimizes exposure. Teachers will have students face the same direction rather than facing toward one another and remove reading corners, etc. to optimize space.

Water Bottles

Students will be encouraged to bring their own water bottles to school each day. They will need to be take them home so they can be washed on a regular basis. Students that lose their water bottle will have access to a drinking fountain. Please label the water bottles.

Student Devices

Iron County School District is putting a plan in place that will give each student individual access to a Chromebook for all students (1st-5th). This will eliminate the need for the sharing of devices. Kindergarten students will be given limited access to iPads at the school to support them in their blended learning experience.

Student Supplies

All students will have their own set of classroom supplies and the sharing of supplies will be discouraged and reduced where possible. All equipment (balls, jump ropes, etc.) will be disinfected frequently.

Staying Clean

Hands will be sanitized with hand sanitizer or washed with soap and water when entering and leaving the classroom. Desks and chairs will be sanitized at lunchtime and again at the end of each day. High touch surfaces in the classroom will be cleaned regularly by the custodial crew.

Recess

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Recess will be staggered to minimize congestion. Teachers and aides will provide structured recess activities whenever possible. Students will be encouraged to wash or sanitize their hands before and after recesses. Safety and physical distancing requirements will also be encouraged during recess.

Equipment

Each classroom will be given extra recess equipment to eliminate the need to share equipment between classes. All used equipment (balls, weights, jump ropes etc.) will be disinfected frequently. Please do not send your child with equipment from home, the school will provide any needed equipment.

Masks

According to the CDC, the CoVid-19 virus spreads mainly among people who are in close contact with one another, usually within about 6 feet, so the use of cloth face masks is important in settings where people are close to each other or where physical distancing is difficult to maintain. All students will be required to wear a mask to school each day per the State mandate. Face shields or other similar devices will only be allowed for activities that require the face to be seen



(phonics lesson, a student who is deaf/hard of hearing needing to read lips). Face shields are absolutely not a substitute for wearing a mask. ICSD will be providing two free masks to every student. If students forget to wear or bring a mask to school, an additional one will be provided to them. Students will be able to remove their mask when they eat and go outside for recess as long as social distancing is followed. Three Peaks Elementary will encourage, teach, and support students as they learn and apply the use of masks to everyday school life. Students will not receive any type of punitive consequence for mask challenges. However, due to the State mandate, the following procedure will be in place:

If a student fails to bring a mask or loses their mask:

1st incident: The school provides a mask.

2nd incident: The school provides a mask.

All future incidents: The school will contact the parent-guardian to bring a mask or take the student home.

If a student defiantly refuses to wear a mask:

1st incident: The school will contact the parent/guardian for assistance. If the student continues to refuse, they will be sent home.

2nd incident: The student will be sent home.

3rd incident: The student will be sent home and the school resource officer (Iron County Sheriff Department) or school administrator will explain to the parent/guardian that wearing a mask is mandatory.

4th incident: The student will be removed from the face-to-face learning environment for the remainder of the term. Parents may enroll them in an online school option or homeschool.

Transitions

Three Peaks Elementary teachers and faculty will be minimizing the use of hallways throughout the day. When hallways are used, students will travel on the right side in a single file line while keeping distance. Signage has been placed in the hallways to encourage correct travel and hand sanitizer will be available in all high traffic areas and at entrances and exits to the building.

Restrooms

Each classroom will be assigned a bathroom for structured and regular bathroom breaks. Structured bathroom breaks will be scheduled to minimize congestion and signage will be used to promote good hygiene. Hand sanitizer or hand washing will take place after all structured bathroom breaks.

Bathroom high touch points (e.g., faucets, paper towel dispensers, door handles) will be cleaned multiple times throughout the day. Custodians will monitor



facilities frequently to ensure that soap is available in all restrooms.

Lunch

Students will be eating lunch in the cafeteria. Our lunchtimes have been extended to stagger grade level times. Students will be spaced apart and sit in an assigned spot each day. They will wear face masks into the cafeteria, sanitize their hands before eating, and remove their face mask once they are seated. We have increased the number of tables to accommodate safe social distancing during lunch. All tables will be sanitized between each grade levels scheduled lunch time.

The Share Table has been eliminated due to Covid concerns.

Eating lunch with your child.

Due to safety protocols parents and guardians are discouraged from eating lunch with their students. Tables with social distancing for the students will prevent any extra seating for visitors. A preferred alternative activity would be taking your child out to lunch.

Cleanliness

All Child Nutrition Program staff and student workers will wear face masks in addition to gloves, disposable aprons, and hair restraints. Hand sanitizer stations will be placed in the cafeteria. Students will be encouraged to wash their hands or use hand sanitizer before and after eating.

Large Group Gatherings

This year all of our large group gatherings will be put on hold until it is safe to resume. The following are considered large group gatherings; choir, drama productions, grade level performances, assemblies, PTA activities, Title I Parent Meetings, STEAM night and other school-wide activities.

Grade Level Assemblies

Grade level assemblies give students and classes opportunities to demonstrate learning. Grade level teachers will plan assemblies that can be shared virtually and will be classroom based.



Special Classes

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All special classes will follow social distancing and school safety protocols. These specials include; Art, Music, PE, Computers, Social Emotional Learning, and Drama. PE will be held outside when possible. Equipment will be sanitized. Inside PE activities will be modified. Computers will be in the classroom with students on their own device, with the exception of Kindergarten students because of the lack of classroom devices. These students will go to the Computer lab for class and all computers will be sanitized before use.

Library/Take Home Library

Students will be visiting the library each week. They will be spaced six feet apart on the rug. Students will look for books in small groups. Books will be checked out using a touch-less system. Returned books will be set aside for a week before being placed back into circulation. Our leveled library will still be sending books home. The books will come home in larger quantities, with less frequency because returned books will need to be set aside for a week as well.

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Students in the self-contained classroom will “push in” to the general classroom for specials or other curriculum as per their IEP. Mild/Moderate special education students will be receiving their services in small groups using social distancing and wearing face masks.

Social Emotional

Due to the CoVid-19 pandemic and subsequent school dismissal, many students will have a need for increased social emotional support. Our school’s counselor will continue to meet with students in small groups and teach lessons in each classroom. Once a school therapist is hired for Three Peaks Elementary, we will be able to provide additional small group and one-on-one sessions for students.

End of the Day Procedures

Student Dismissal

At the end of the day, classes will be dismissed by grade level and will follow a timed release schedule (releasing grades every 2 minutes starting at 3:24). Teachers will walk with their students and drop them off at the bus area, and pick up zones.

Busing Transportation

Since physical distancing measures cannot be maintained while transporting students, all individuals on the bus will be required to wear face masks, as mandated by Utah Gov. Gary Herbert, in accordance with the most recent state public health order.

For regular to and from school bus routes, seating assignments will be made and adjusted as necessary by the bus driver to assist in contact tracing should the need arise. Students will be expected to remain in their assigned seats while being transported.



When multiple members of a single household ride the same bus, an effort will be made to seat them proximate to each other. Field trip organizers and chaperones will be responsible for maintaining school CoVid-19 conventions and managing their students' behaviors when utilizing district school bus transportation services. When practical, the seat immediately behind the driver will be left vacant to honor social distancing efforts.

Exceptions will be made according to State Health Department and ADA guidelines. Students are responsible for having and maintaining their own face masks, but we will have disposable masks available for those who forget them. Students will not be denied transportation for failure to wear a face mask. If they forget, one will be provided for them. A student's parent/guardian will be notified and reminded of the requirement if a pattern of non-compliance with the face mask requirement emerges.

When buses are vacated of passengers, e.g., arrival at school, arrival at a field trip destination, end of day etc., drivers will mist the bus with a disinfectant spray. Disinfectant wipes will also be kept on the bus to wipe handrails and other high touch areas on a regular basis.

Cleaning & Disinfecting

Three Peaks Elementary will implement a multi-step cleaning protocol in our school to include daily disinfection of touch-points — drinking fountains, handrails, door handles, sinks, toilets, partition walls, and locks. Other daily disinfection will include



bathroom floors, student desks and chairs, computer mice and keyboards. Buildings will be electrostatically sprayed using a powerful hypochlorous acid that carries an EPA kill claim for CoVid-19 and other viruses.

ISCD COVID-19 Procedures

(Please note: The following guidelines are in accordance with what we know about COVID as of August 13, 2020. These guidelines can change at any time. We will keep you informed if any changes to the following occur based on new information.)

If a child or an adult show symptoms:

1. They are referred to the office to be screened by the school nurse or health room aide.
2. If the symptoms are consistent with COVID, the ill person will be sent home.

Once home:

1. Option 1: Visit a physician.
 - a. Go to a doctor to be evaluated. If the doctor finds and will sign a letter stating that this is not COVID, the child can return to school once the symptoms are resolved and upon approval by the school nurse.
 - b. If the doctor finds that the child has COVID, see below*
2. Option 2: Have the child tested.
 - a. Have the child tested at a testing site.
 - b. If positive, see below*
 - c. If negative, the child can return to school once the symptoms are resolved and has received approval by the school nurse.
3. Option 3: No testing, no physician:
 - a. Before returning to school, the child must meet all four of the following:
 - i. 10 calendar days have passed since symptoms first appeared.
 - ii. No fever for at least 24 hours without the use of medication.
 - iii. Other symptoms have improved.
 - iv. Approval of the school nurse.

*If a child tests positive for COVID, the following criteria must be met before he child can return to school:

- ~10 calendar days have passed since symptoms first appeared.
- ~No fever for at least 24 hours without the use of medication.
- ~Other symptoms have improved.
- ~Approval of the school nurse.



If a child has had significant exposure (was less than 6 feet from the person with a positive COVID test for 15 minutes or greater) to a confirmed case of COVID:

- ~The child must be quarantined for 14 days without exposure to others and closely monitored for COVID symptoms.
- ~If symptoms occur, see three options listed above.

~Please note an immediate COVID test near the beginning of the quarantine period when a child has no symptoms is not valid since the test results may not be conclusive due to the incubation period of the virus. An individual should only be tested if they are having symptoms.

~The child can return to school upon approval of the school nurse.