Benton Consolidated High School

Learning Continuity Plan for SY 2023-2024

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School Day

- School will be in session for a full day, Monday through Friday, with doors open at 7:30 a.m., classes starting at 8:05 a.m., and dismissal at 2:50 p.m.
- Students will be dismissed at 1:50 p.m. through Friday, August 18.
- Locker rooms, gyms, and weight room will be utilized and students will change clothes for PE.
- Students will eat breakfast and lunch in the cafeteria. Seniors will have open campus lunch.
- Proper cleaning/disinfection practices will continue to be utilized by the custodial staff, focusing on "high touch" surfaces. HVAC air filtration will be monitored, with filters replaced as needed.
- Parents/students/staff must self-certify by conducting symptom screenings daily, prior to entering the school building. Students and staff should stay home when they have signs of infectious illness and contact their healthcare provider for testing and care.
- Social distancing will be employed to the greatest extent possible.
- Masks are recommended for students and staff in communities with high COVID-19 levels.
- Remote learning will only be offered to students under isolation or quarantine due to COVID-19.

Students

- Busing will continue to be offered by BCHS for students that live more than 1.5 miles from school. Masks are recommended for students riding the bus in communities with high COVID-19 levels.
- Good hand hygiene will be strongly encouraged. Hand sanitizer will continue to be available in various locations throughout the building, and soap dispensers will be regularly checked in all restrooms to ensure it is readily available.
- Hands-free water fountains have been installed throughout the building and will be utilized to reduce contact with "high touch" surfaces.
- Students will be charged for school meals unless approved as free or reduced.
- Tutoring will be available to all students in the library after school. (TBD–before school)
- Chronic absenteeism will be referred to the ROE Attendance Specialist and/or the Franklin County States Attorney as appropriate.
- All medical records, physicals, dental exams, and vision exams should be completed for students as indicated by law.

School Staff

- PLC/Professional Development time will be scheduled every Wednesday, utilizing an early dismissal schedule for students. (1:50)

Other

- Visitors must self-certify they are free of infectious illness symptoms before entering the building.
- Athletic and extracurricular programs including band and chorus will run as normal with admission charged at sporting events as usual. No limitations on maximum spectators.
- Masks are recommended indoors for all visitors and athletic/extracurricular event attendees in communities with high COVID-19 levels.
- The district will closely monitor illnesses in the school, county, and surrounding area. If community spread of a communicable illness becomes an issue the district will adjust educational and athletic programming as necessary.

- The district will ensure the continuity of services that address the academic needs of students as well as the social, emotional, and mental health needs of students and staff through research-based strategies provided by certified staff.
- The district will continue to seek out recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) on prevention and mitigation strategies for the health and wellness of our students and staff through open communication between the local CDC office and the superintendent.
- The district will provide time for public input at each monthly board meeting where community members may provide input on the Learning Continuity Plan.