

## Plan for North Central Elementary Opening 2020-2021 School Year

The start of this upcoming school year will look much different from years past due the Covid-19 virus. The elementary staff will do its very best to promote a positive, safe, and welcoming learning environment for our students. We will be implementing the following changes to our elementary routine to ensure better overall wellness and safety while maintaining a constructive learning environment for the school year.

Safety changes and precautions may include the following for the upcoming school year:

- Allowing students to enter/exit the building at designated areas in the building
- Restrict parent access to the building during student drop-off and pickup times during the school day
- Guest must enter the office entrance and be wearing a face mask
- No field trips until further notice
- No building wide assemblies until further notice
- Limit student hallway movement
- Specials (Art, Music, P.E.) may take place in the classroom
- Plexiglas dividers in classroom and lunchroom for seating
- Hand Sanitizer stations installed in each classroom
- Electric hand dryers installed in each bathroom
- Sanitizing materials available in each classroom
- Increased cleaning and sanitizing throughout the school day
- Hand washing before and after recess time
- Periodic student temperature checks throughout the school day
- Increased opportunities for students to wash and/or sanitize hands throughout the school day
- Promote students wearing face masks and/or shields during the school day
- Require staff members to wear masks and/or shields during the school day
- Remove some materials and resources within each classroom to increase social distancing
- Students exhibiting fever or other typical illness related symptoms will be sent home immediately

All of these safety related ideas and precautions are subject to change throughout the school year while we put more emphasis on overall student, staff, and community wellness.

Curriculum changes may include the following for the upcoming school year:

- Promote more digital learning opportunities in the classroom for students
- Offer more technology lessons for our students
- Promote increased digital communication opportunities among students, parents, and staff
- Teachers may take their classes outside for learning when the weather allows
- Limit the amount of switching of classes for grades 3<sup>rd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup>
- Limit the amount of take home assignments and promote more in class work completion
- Include instructional time for the review and re-teaching of skills to promote foundational learning
- Allow families to research our schools digital learning platform, NOVA, for their children in grades K – 6<sup>th</sup>

The staff will do its very best to challenge our students academically while maintaining a strong emphasis on overall student wellness.

Thank you and be safe...Mr. Morr