



CORSICA STICKNEY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 21-3

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Welcome to the 20-21 School Year

Parents/Students we like to welcome everyone back with a 1st day of school planned for Tuesday, August 18, 2020. We are living in a different era of education and virus infections. We also have found planning for what use to be normal activities takes on a new process and is very difficult to have consistency because the situation changes continually. Our objective is to balance health and well-being with the best education process for students/parents/staff.

This year we are asking parents to check with your student in regard to symptoms of covid-19 before sending your student to school. In your school packet you will receive a symptom check list. This is for you to use at home you do not need to return it. We also request if a student demonstrates any of the corona-virus symptoms or is ill please consult with your physician/clinic for current advice. Please don't send them to school being ill. We will attempt to keep the school environment free of the virus so we can have normal classroom attendance as much as possible.

We will do temperature/symptom checks of all people in our building during the school year and we will need to check those students riding regular bus routes as well. If students are running a temperature they should not get on the bus. The webpage will also have information links for you to explore.

At this time we have only 3 basic defenses against the virus. One is to attempt to social distance as best we can and in school we will attempt to do this, but at times this is not possible to get the suggested 6 ft. distance. We encourage masks when it is situationally appropriate. One of the most appropriate times is the shuttle bus between Corsica and Stickney and we will require you to wear a mask on the shuttle bus or if you choose for your student to not ride this bus that is also appropriate. If you have to cough or sneeze you should cover your mouth or nose with your elbow/tissue. The other defense is to wash hands frequently or use hand sanitizer. There will be hand sanitizer located at the entrance of buildings and in each classroom. Upon entering buildings it would be good to wash or sanitize hands. We not only have to protect our students, but must protect our staff as well.

The DOH/CDC/DOE all have said we must be flexible because what we have to do for educational setting is dependent upon the number of virus cases. We may have in person as per normal educational routine operations all the way to returning to complete e-learning. The school district now has the capability of supplying each student grades 1-12 with a laptop computer. The number of virus cases will impact how we deliver education to students—We hope to be in our classrooms, but there is no way to rule out moving along a continuum of how education is delivered due to the volume of virus cases.

We ask all to be patient and cooperative as we go about the business of educating students while maintaining a healthy environment for all. Again, we hope to give students as much of a full educational experience as safely as possible for all.

Thank you.

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