

Marion County R-2 School District
Safe Return to In-Person Instruction and
Continuity of Services Plan
2022-2023

A. Universal and correct wearing of masks

The Marion County R-2 School District will educate students/staff on proper mask wearing techniques. Students and staff will be allowed to wear masks, masks may be recommended based on communication with the County Health Department and Local Board of Education.

B. Physical distancing (e.g., including use of cohorts/podding)

Students may be asked to practice social distancing when needed as outlined in periodic communication with the County Health Department and Local Board of Education.

C. Handwashing and respiratory etiquette

Students and Staff will be asked to always practice safe personal hygiene measures. Education on proper handwashing and respiratory etiquette will be taught and reminded frequently throughout the school year. Students and Staff will be encouraged to self-monitor and assess each day for COVID like symptoms. If symptoms are evident, the school district requires students and staff to remain at home, return to school is possible after 24 hours symptom free.

D. Cleaning and maintaining healthy facilities, including improving ventilation

The Marion County R-2 School District will collaborate with local cleaning and hygiene vendors to review and improve daily proactive cleaning and internal ventilation.

E. Contact tracing in combination with isolation and quarantine, in collaboration with the State, local, territorial, or Tribal health departments

The Marion County R-2 School District will provide names of individuals who are exposed to the health department upon their request only.

F. Diagnostic and screening testing

The Marion County R-2 School District will implement body temperature checks if or when County data reflects need. Students experiencing symptoms will be sent home and encouraged to consult with a doctor. The District is not offering COVID Testing at this time.

G. Efforts to provide vaccinations to educators, other staff, and students, if Eligible

*The Marion County R-2 School District has and will continue to communicate with staff and students on availability of local vaccination options. Vaccinations are **NOT** mandated at this time.*

H. Appropriate accommodations for children with disabilities with respect to the health and safety policies

Accommodations as necessary or as mandated by a students Individual Education Plan. Students with disabilities will be assessed on a case by case basis and plans will be made accordingly with administration, healthcare providers and parents/guardians.

***The Marion County R-2 School District reserves the right to change any and all accommodations or action plans to ensure the safety of our students and staff. This plan will be periodically reviewed, and if necessary, revised with input from students; families; school and district administrators (including special education administrators); and teachers, principals, school leaders, other educators, school staff, and their unions.**

This plan is available in other languages or can be read to stakeholders at their request by contacting the school at 573-439-5913.