“A Day in the Life of an OPMS Student”
Before Each School Day

In alignment with recommendations from the NYSDOH, CDC, ECDOH and NYSED.

Staff and Student Screening per ECDOH

• Staff will complete a daily health questionnaire prior to arrival at school

• Parents/guardians will be expected to screen their child and complete a daily health questionnaire before sending him/her to school to avoid exposure to others on bus and at arrival
Masks/Face Coverings

• Masks will be worn at all times. This includes:
  • While riding the bus, entering the building, in our hallways, in our restrooms, and while in the dining hall when not eating.

• Mask breaks will occur throughout the school day, only with adult permission.
  • Staff will develop routines and procedures for mask breaks that will be shared with their students.
  • During a mask break, staff and students will maintain 6 feet social distancing.

• ECDOH prohibits the use of gaiters, bandanas and clear face shields.
  • Note: some exceptions for individuals with special needs/medical needs
On the Bus

• Buses will be at a typical capacity and students will have assigned seats.
• Masks must be worn at all times while entering, riding, and exiting the bus.
• All other expectations still apply;
  • No loud music, stay seated, etc.
Bus Arrival

• Vehicles may not park in the South Lincoln loop between 7:30-8:30 am.
• Approximately 25 buses will drop off in the South Lincoln front loop.
• Students will use the main entrance as well as the entrance by the Life and Careers rooms.
• During arrival, students MUST wear masks while on the buses and while in the building except during a designated mask break.
• Entering at 2 sites will allow students space to distance.
Parent Drop-Off of Students in the am:

See next Slide for more information.
Morning Drop Off Guidelines

- Please follow the direction of the staff that will be assisting with drop-off.
- Drop off will begin at 7:45 a.m. Homeroom begins at 8:00 a.m.
- Parents/Guardians will pull into the OMPS back parking lot, using the 20A entrance.
- Turn left at the southwest corner of the building (gym corner). Students will exit the vehicle and safely walk to the loading ramp entrance doors to enter the building.
- After the student has exited the car, being mindful of other students and traffic, parents may proceed to exit the parking lot on South Lincoln.
- Exiting on South Lincoln is a RIGHT TURN ONLY
Late Arrivals (after 8:00 a.m.)

- Please use the front loop for drop off, unless the loop is still occupied by buses. In that event, please drop off according to earlier parent drop off slide.
- Please use main entrance doors.
- Students should check in at the attendance desk located outside of the nurse’s office.
- If arriving after 8:10 a.m., students should enter the attendance/nurse’s office to check in with Mrs. Smith to get a late pass.
Breakfast Procedures

• Breakfast will still be available for students prior to the start of classes.
• Payments will only be accepted using “My School Bucks.” Information available later in the presentation.
• Upon entering the building, students eating breakfast should immediately report to the dining hall for breakfast.
• Students must wear a mask in the dining hall except when seated.
• Students will be directed to leave the dining hall once they finish eating, not later than the conclusion of homeroom at 8:09 a.m.
• First period class begins at 8:15 a.m.
Classroom Environment

- 3 feet of separation between students
- Classrooms cleaned nightly
Student Lockers

- All students will be assigned a locker this year and will not be allowed to carry backpacks between classes during the school day since we are using lockers this year.
- Students will have a staggered dismissal between classes to allow for social distancing at lockers.
- Students are asked not to congregate at lockers.
- Students are asked to quickly and quietly get supplies/items out of lockers and proceed to their next classroom.
- If your student needs a lock, they may be purchased in the main office for $12.25 for a pair of locks. Cash or Check payable to OPCSD.
Student Schedule

- Classes will be 38 minutes in length.
- There will be 6 minutes passing time between classes with a staggered dismissal from class.
- Lunch periods will be 23 minutes long.
- Students will eat in the cafeteria or the auxiliary gym.

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Athletics & Music

● Face coverings are required when not participating or practicing and strongly encouraged during play and/or practicing.
  ○ Close contact and “pausing” of teams will be determined in collaboration with the ECDOH
  ○ Further information will be provided, as needed, by the athletic department

● Music
  ○ 6’ of social distancing while performing (vocal/band)
  ○ 3’ of social distancing for Orchestra
  ○ Face-coverings are required when not performing
Outdoor Spaces

• We have designated multiple outdoor spaces for teachers to use.
• Outdoor use will be promoted to allow for mask breaks and fresh air.
• Please plan accordingly with a jacket, sunscreen, etc. for outdoor learning.
**Lunch**

- The cafeteria and the auxiliary gym will be used to allow students to socially distance.
- Students will keep their masks on until they have purchased lunch and are seated.
- When students are given permission to leave their seats to throw out garbage, they must wear their masks.
- Students will have assigned seats (to ensure accurate contact tracing if needed) for 10 weeks. Changes can be made at the end of the quarter.
Lunch (continued)

• All students eating stations will be cleaned between use.
• All food service transactions will be completed through *MySchoolBucks* (no cash purchases).
• USDA extended free breakfast and lunch for all students through 2021-2022 school year
• More food service information is available [here](#).
Hallways

- One side of the hallway will move in one direction and the other side in the opposite direction.
- Everyone is required to wear a mask while in the hallways.
- Students will be encouraged to maintain social distance in the hallways.
Parent Pick-up of Students after school
Parent Pick-Up In the Afternoon:

- The school day ends at 2:30 p.m.
- Parents will use the **front loop** off of South Lincoln Ave, forming two lines.
- To ensure student safety please drive slowly and follow the directions of school staff as they will be directing the flow of traffic.
After School

- After school academic assistance, extracurricular activities, and clubs will be resuming this year.
- Late busses will be available to students starting Monday September 20th.
  - These busses depart the Middle School at approximately 3:15pm and will run Monday through Thursday.
Limited Access to Visitors

• To reduce exposure and risk, visitor access will be allowed, but *limited* to meetings that cannot be conducted via video conferencing.
Overview of Guidance & Expectations for Safely Opening Schools

• OPCSD Safety Plan & Protocols - Safety Plan & Protocols- English
• CDC Guidance for schools (released early July 2021)
• NYSED Guidance (released August 23, 2021)
• NYSDOH Guidance for Schools (released September 2, 2021)
• Erie County Dept of Health reopening guidance (released August, 2021)
RETURNING TO SCHOOL AFTER ILLNESS

AFTER COVID-19 LIKE ILLNESS, REGARDLESS OF VACCINATION STATUS:

- A negative COVID-19 test must be provided OR
- A note from the student's medical care provider with an alternative diagnosis is provided OR
- 10 days since the onset of COVID-19 symptoms

AFTER COVID-19 DIAGNOSIS

- At least 10 days after symptom onset or 10 days from their first positive test if asymptomatic AND
- Fever-free for at least 24 consecutive hours without the use of fever-reducing medications AND
- COVID-19 symptoms are improving

CLOSE CONTACTS AND CONTACT TRACING

- Closer than 3 feet for more than 15 cumulative minutes over a 24-hour period is considered a close contact
- If there are two or more positive cases in a classroom during a 10-day period, all unvaccinated individuals in the class will quarantine

VACCINATED INDIVIDUALS

- Do not need to quarantine but should monitor for COVID-19 symptoms
Thank you for your partnership to support the health and safety of our students and the entire school community.