

Mulhall-Orlando Public School Return to Learn Guidelines for 2021-2022

We are very excited about starting school in August as we normally have in past years. Masks/face coverings will not be required within school buildings. Our district will conduct school according to OSDE and CDC guidelines. Our goal is to provide a normal, safe environment that will include a rich educational experience, with opportunities for social interaction and extracurricular activities.

When is the first day of school for students?

School will begin on August 13.

Will masks/face coverings be required?

At this time, masks/face coverings will not be required in buildings.

Will bus transportation be provided?

Yes, the district will provide bus transportation as we normally do. Based on a current federal order, everyone will be required to properly wear a mask/face covering when riding the bus. This order is in effect until September 13, 2021.

Enrollment

Enrollment forms are online at www.m-ops.org, and can be emailed to lboyd@m-ops.org or sgorrell@m-ops.org, dropped off at the school offices, or mailed to the school. If online enrollment is not an option, you are welcome to call the offices at 405-649-2000 to arrange a time to pick up an enrollment packet.

Will we have an open house?

Yes, we will have open house at the elementary as usual. This will be held on Tuesday, August 10th from 4:00-6:00 PM.

Cleaning and sanitizing.

Sanitation and cleanliness will continue be a priority for our district. We will be disinfecting frequently touched surfaces (doorknobs, light switches, etc.) throughout the day. Our district will continue to use an electrostatic sanitizing sprayer. Students and staff will have access to hand sanitizer throughout the buildings and in the classrooms.

As stated above, we will start the school year as we normally have in previous years. If COVID cases begin to increase in our district, we will contact the Logan County Health Department for guidance, while following OSDE and CDC guidelines. If changes due to COVID are required, our district will refer to our COVID plan that we already have in place from last year. Students and staff will follow state and local health department guidance as required by Oklahoma State Law 70 O.S. § 1210.190 which includes a requirement for the governor to declare a state of emergency.

Return to Learn Plan 2.0

Return to Learn Plan-Part 2: Plan to Align with Safety Recommendations established by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC):

Students and staff will follow state and local health department guidance as required by Oklahoma State Law 70 O.S. § 1210.190 which includes a requirement for the governor to declare a state of emergency.

Modifying Facilities for Social Distancing if needed: When needed, facilities will be marked to show the recommended social distance in seating and standing whenever recommended throughout the Mulhall-Orlando School District. In classrooms, students are seated spaced apart for social distancing

Hand washing and Respiratory Etiquette: Students are taught and reminded in the classroom about the health benefits of proper and frequent hand washing as well as respiratory etiquette of covering the mouth during coughs and sneezes. Signs are posted with these reminders. Hand sanitizer is available in classrooms, offices, cafeteria, and areas the students or patrons may pass.

Cleaning and Maintaining Healthy Facilities including Improving Ventilation: Mulhall-Orlando Schools uses industrial misting and fogging equipment to sanitize classrooms, common areas, and buses.

Contract Tracing Combined with Isolation and Quarantine if needed: Collaborating with State and Local Health Departments: The superintendent has attended training zoom calls with the Oklahoma State Health Department to be informed of the status of infections, testing, vaccines, and CDC guidelines for prevention habits, isolation, and quarantine in order to keep our students and staff as safe as possible and to maintain in-person learning for Mulhall-Orlando students. Students and staff who are fully vaccinated are not required to quarantine if they are traced to a positive exposure. We have two trained contact tracers for COVID-19 on staff and are prepared to initiate quarantine notices if necessary.

Diagnostic/Screening Testing if needed: Logan County Health Department offers free COVID testing to all Mulhall-Orlando students, staffs, and families. Appointments may be scheduled by contacting Logan County Health Department at 405-282-3485. Logan County Health Department will also offer COVID support to our employees for screening and vaccinations.

Vaccination Efforts for School Communities if needed: Foster Corner Drug offered two on-site vaccination clinics at Mulhall-Orlando Public schools in March and April. Foster Corner Drug also had vaccination clinics each Saturday in neighboring towns for any staff and families to attend. Logan County Health Department also offers ongoing screening and vaccination appointments for staff and family members.

Appropriate accommodations for students with Disabilities with Respect for Health and Safety Policies if needed: At times if school is moved to remote learning due to COVID, students with disabilities will be offered the option to learn in person in classrooms that have been deep cleaned and sanitized. ESSER COVID Relief funds have been used to purchase adaptive technology for students with disabilities to use when they are required to engage in remote learning due to quarantine, deep cleaning, or inclement weather.

Coordination with State and Local Health Officials: The Logan County Health Department and the Oklahoma Department of Health will continue to support Mulhall-Orlando Public Schools with information about outbreaks, COVID screening test and vaccination clinics. Mulhall-Orlando Public Schools will remain in close contact with the Oklahoma State Department of Education, the Oklahoma Department of Health, and the Logan County Health Department concerning the level of outbreaks and safety protocols enacted in our state and local area.