

KAMIAH JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT #304
Safe Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Services
www.Kamiah.org/covid19-school-updates

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Introduction

Schools are an important part of the infrastructure of communities. Kamiah Joint School District is committed to providing a safe and supportive environment for students that supports social and emotional development, and provides access to services and improves life outcomes. Although COVID-19 outbreaks have occurred in school settings, multiple studies have shown that transmission rates within the school setting, when multiple prevention strategies are in place, are typically lower than community transmission levels.

Kamiah Joint School District is committed to working with the local public health department to determine necessary protocols and prevention strategies. School Administrators consider multiple factors when they make decisions about implementing prevention strategies against COVID-19. Kamiah Joint School District #304 has created a Covid 19 Committee that recommends protocols to the Kamiah Joint School District Board of Trustees that the district follows to ensure the safety of staff and students.

Mitigation Strategies (Table 1)

Vaccination

Vaccination is currently the leading public health prevention strategy to prevent COVID-19. People who are fully vaccinated against COVID-19 are at a lower risk of symptomatic or severe infection. Evidence suggests that people who are fully vaccinated against COVID-19 are less likely to have an asymptomatic infection, or transmit COVID-19 to others, than people who are not fully vaccinated. For additional information regarding vaccination clinics, or for other related additional information, contact:

- North Central Health District at (208) 799-3100 or access the website at: www.idahopublichealth.com
- Nimiipuu Health at (208) 843-2271 or access the website at: www.nimiipuuhealth.org

Existing laws and regulations require certain vaccinations for children attending school. COVID is not a required vaccine by law in Idaho. Parents are encouraged to provide documentation of students' COVID vaccination status to enable quicker identification of non-vaccinated students, who may need to be quarantined if they are exposed to someone who has tested positive with COVID-19.

The protocol to collect, secure, use and disclose information will comply with relevant statutory and regulatory requirements, including Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) statutory and regulatory requirements. Immunization exemptions are allowed, in accordance with Idaho Code 39-4802, and include medical, religious, and 'other' exemptions. Parents/guardians may check the 'Religious/other' exemption provided on the immunization requirements form, or may include a signed written statement regarding religious/other exemptions.

Optional Universal and Correct Wearing of Masks

When individuals who are not vaccinated wear masks consistently and correctly they may protect others as well as themselves. Consistent and correct mask use is especially important in crowded settings, when physical distancing cannot be maintained. Mask use is optional for all students and staff, unless the Kamiah Joint School District #304 Board of Trustees determines a mask mandate is necessary.

- Indoors. Mask use is recommended by the CDC for those who are not fully vaccinated, including students, teachers and staff. Children under 2 years of age should not wear a mask.
- Outdoors. In general, people do not need to wear masks when outdoors. However, CDC recommends people who are not fully vaccinated to wear masks when in a crowded outdoor

setting, or during activities that involve sustained close contact with others who have not been fully vaccinated.

When masks are worn by teachers, staff, or students, the masks should meet one of the following criteria:

- [CDC Mask Recommendations](#)
- [ASTM International Standard Specification for Barrier Face Coverings NIOSH](#)
- [Workplace Performance and Performance Plus Masks](#)

****Kamiah Joint School District will be supportive of people who are/are not fully vaccinated, and choose to wear a mask, as a personal choice, or because they have a medical condition that may weaken their immune system.***

Modifying Facilities

Staff and families of students will be made aware of any situations where students and/or staff have been exposed at school. If there is a confirmed case of COVID-19 within the school district, parents and students will be notified and given safety/ health recommendations or guidelines to follow. If necessary, classrooms may be rearranged, or moved to a different area, to allow for different physical distancing.

Kamiah Joint Schools may implement the use of Cohorting when working in small groups. The use of Cohorting can limit the spread of COVID-19 between cohorts, but should not replace other prevention measures within each group. Cohorting means keeping people together in a small group and having each group stay together throughout an entire day. Cohorting can be used to limit the number of students, teachers, and staff who come in contact with each other, especially when it is challenging to maintain physical distancing.

Physical Distancing: Based on studies from 2020-2021, the CDC recommends, if possible, schools maintain at least 3 feet of physical distance between students within the classroom, combined with indoor mask wearing by people who are not fully vaccinated, to reduce transmission risk.

Handwashing and Health Etiquette

Staff and students will be encouraged to practice handwashing and respiratory etiquette (covering coughs and sneezes) to keep from getting and spreading infectious illnesses, including COVID-19.

- Hand sanitizer will also be available for students to utilize.
- Students will be encouraged to wash hands with soap and water for at least 20 sec.
- Teaching healthy habits such as covering mouth and nose appropriately.

Cleaning and Maintaining Healthy Facilities

- Standard cleaning procedures will be done daily.
- Bathrooms cleaned daily.
- Desks and chairs wiped down daily.
- Handrails, door knobs, light switches, telephones, sinks, drinking fountains, countertops wiped down daily.
- Lunchroom tables will be cleaned prior and after each meal service.
- Classrooms will be vacuumed daily.
- Computer labs / keyboards will be disinfected after use.

- Trash will be removed daily from the classroom / building.
- Cafeteria will be cleaned as required on a daily basis.
- Food service staff will wear gloves and masks and other PPE if necessary.
- Hand sanitizer, soap/paper towels and tissues will be made available to all employees/students.
- Plastic gloves will be made available to all employees.
- Gymnasiums and locker rooms will be cleaned daily.

Transportation

The following procedures will be in place throughout the school year regarding the cleaning and sanitizing of buses used for student transportation.

- Cleaning of seats will be done following every route or event.
- Students will be asked to sit with family members when possible. Assigned seats may be given.
- Hand sanitizer will be made available on buses for student/driver use.

Contact Tracing

Kamiah Joint School District will continue to collaborate with state and local health departments to confidentially provide information about people diagnosed with, or exposed to, COVID-19. This allows the district to identify which students, teachers, and staff with positive test results should isolate and /or quarantine. School officials will notify, to the extent allowable by law, teachers, staff, and families of students, who were close contacts, as soon as possible (within the same day if possible) after the district is notified that someone within the school has tested positive.

School officials will work with North Central District Health officials to begin identifying anyone (contact tracing) who may have been in close contact with a confirmed COVID19 case. Close contact is less than 6 feet for more than 15 minutes.

- Once the district learns of a positive Covid case, Kamiah School District will immediately contact trace to determine all students and staff who have been possibly exposed. Kamiah School Administration will notify all families of the possible exposure. Kamiah School District will provide parents the following options to safeguard their student during the quarantine period; family initiated quarantining, or optional masks during face-to-face instruction during the 14 day quarantine period.

Diagnostic and Screening Testing

Screening testing identifies infected people, including those with or without symptoms. In K-12 schools, screening can help promptly identify and isolate cases, quarantine those who may have been exposed to COVID-19 and are not fully vaccinated, and identify clusters to reduce the risk to in person education.

Kamiah School District will not be screening students or staff through mandatory testing. Kamiah staff will conduct daily preventative monitoring of all students and staff with no-touch digital thermometers at the entrance to school or classrooms daily.

Students, teachers, and staff who have symptoms of infectious illness, such as influenza (flu) or COVID- 19, will be encouraged to speak to their healthcare provider for possible testing and care.

Accommodations for Children with Disabilities

Staff and Students of at-risk students will be encouraged to speak to a health care provider about safety protocols that are being recommended for them in a school environment. The Kamiah Joint School District #304 will comply with any accommodations written in IEP's or 504 plans regarding Covid preventative measures or procedures.

Attendance and Absenteeism

Kamiah Joint School District will monitor student and staff attendance on a daily basis. Students and staff will be encouraged to stay home when sick, especially if they have any cold or flu like symptoms. Students will also be sent home if they are running a fever (100.4), or display any signs of cold or flu like symptoms. Students and staff may return to school after 24 hours with no fever, no cough and no signs of illness are evident.

If the district has confirmed cases, schools will collaborate with the local health department to determine school guidelines. If school is in session, staff may take personal, sick or vacation leave, unless there are other state or federal protocols in place.

If parents are uncomfortable sending students back to school, they are encouraged to speak to Administration about possible options for online instruction. Please contact the building principal for additional information.

Visitors

Kamiah Joint School District will be limiting non-essential visitors, volunteers, and activities involving external groups or organizations with people, when there is high Covid-19 community transmission. All visitors are required to be checked in and registered at the building office before entering the building.

Communication Plan

Kamiah Joint School District has created a COVID Committee which will meet a minimum of every 6 months to review current protocols and the district "Safe Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Services".

Covid-19 updates will be provided to the local school board and school staff when there are confirmed cases within the school community. No individual or personal information will be released to the community as a whole.

Narrative Information Required in District Plan (Table 2)

How the LEA (Local Education Agency) is addressing, and plans to address, students' academic needs?

Kamiah School district (LEA) will offer in-person instruction for students during the 2021/2022 school year. If parents are uncomfortable sending students to school, parents may contact District Administration to determine what options are available for their child(ren). Online services will be provided by Idaho Digital Learning Alliance (IDLA) for the 2021/2022 school year.

Online students must be signed up for a minimum of a semester at a time. Attendance will be counted based on the student's academic progress in the online program. District assessments will be offered to students on days when school is not in full session (PD days)

How the LEA (Local Education Agency) is addressing, and plans to address, students' social,

emotional, mental health, and other needs?

Kamiah Joint District (LEA) has a district wide focus on social emotional learning. The Kamiah Joint School District focuses on the social well-being and healthy connections between peers and adults. Communications between schools, families and community is important. The Kamiah Joint School District has placed an emphasis on building lines of communication between the school district and homes of our students. During the 2020/21 school year the district purchased additional K-12 technology to allow teachers to provide direct instruction with students, regardless of the student’s location.

Beginning in 2021/22, Kamiah Joint School District has hired a full time Social-Emotional Counselor to work with students in grades K-8 who may have social, emotional, mental health, or other needs due to the pandemic. The school district has also increased special services staff to assist students with special needs, and to address learning loss from the pandemic.

How the LEA is addressing, and plans to address, their staff’s social, emotional, mental health, and other needs?

Kamiah Joint District has a district wide focus on social emotional health of its staff. The Kamiah Joint School District focuses on the social well-being and healthy connections of all staff members. Staff experiencing social, emotional, mental health, or other needs will be encouraged to seek help from their primary care provider. All information associated with these items will be confidential and not shared with other staff, students, or parents. Beginning in 2021/22, Kamiah Joint School District will employ additional support/training options through SafeSchools, to assist staff who may be experiencing social, emotional, mental health, or other needs due to the pandemic.

The process and timeline for review and revision of the plan will take place no less than every 6 months through September 30, 2023.

Time line	Activity	Persons
July 27, 2021	Initial Plan Review Meeting	Covid Committee
July 29, 2021-August 12, 2021	Public Input Collected posted on www.kamiah.org	Patrons, Students, Staff
August 10th, 2021	Community Meeting - Zoom	Community Members
October 18, 2021	Board Meeting Plan Revision	Board Members
Jan 10, 2022	Mid-Year Plan Review	Covid Committee
Jan 12, 2022	Submit any changes to Board of Education for review.	Supt. Merrill
May 9, 2022	Plan Review – Planning for 2022/23 school year.	Covid Committee
May 11, 2022	Submit any changes to Board of Education for review	Supt. Merrill
November 8, 2022	Mid-Year Plan Review	Covid Committee
November 10, 2022	Submit any changes to Board of Education for review	Supt. Merrill
May 9, 2023	Plan Review – Planning for 2023/24 school year.	Covid Committee
May 11, 2023	Submit any changes to Board of Education for review	Supt. Merrill

Lea's need to support and/or technical assistance related to implementing strategies identified in Table 1/ Mitigation Strategies and Table 2/ Narrative Information if applicable.

Kamahia Joint School District #304 will continue to provide support to staff and students regarding the use of 1:1 device within the district, and for those who are participating in online learning. Professional development is planned for the staff regarding the use of programs, security options, and supporting students in an online environment.

COVID-19 Committee Members

Dr. Benjamin Merrill – Superintendent
Mr. Bill McFall - Principal
Mrs. Christine Cearley - Principal
Mrs. Shannon Engledow – Head Teacher, Parent
Mr. Henry Bailey – Facilities Director
Ms. Sherry Daeges – Head Janitor
Mr. Pat Foy – Transportation Director
Mrs. Jenna Boggan – Technology Director
Mrs. Jeannette Wilcox – Counselor, Parent
Mrs. Cheyenne Hudson – High School Teacher
Miss. Kilee Wilson – Middle School Teacher
Mrs. Carrie Bain – Elementary School Teacher
Mrs. Cheryl Morris – Special Education Teacher, Parent
Mrs. Teresa Oatman – Johnson O'Malley Director
Ms. Misty Perry – Parent, PTO President
Mrs. Lisa Jenner – Community Member
Mrs. Darra Snyder – Parent, Teacher, School Nurse

Return to In-Person Learning Continuum

Category Level*	Level 1 Normal w/ Precautions	Level 2 Added Precautions	Level 3 School-at-Home
Conditions	Minimal Spread	Moderate Spread	Substantial Spread
School Schedule	Regular School Schedule M/T/W/Th	Regular School Schedule M/T/W/Th	Online School Schedule M/T/W/Th
Determined	Determined by Kamiah School District Board of Trustees with guidance from Local Health District Supporting Full-Time Attendance	Determined by Kamiah School District Board of Trustees with guidance from Local Health District Supporting Full-Time Attendance	Determined by Kamiah School District Board of Trustees with guidance from Local Health District Supporting Fully Online Attendance
Health Screening	-Parents are encouraged to check their children for symptoms of Covid-19 before and after school. -Employees and Students will be screened upon arriving at school using a no-contact thermometer.	-Parents are encouraged to check their children for symptoms of Covid-19 before and after school. -Employees and Students will be screened upon arriving at school using a no-contact thermometer.	-Parents encouraged to continue to check their children for symptoms of Covid-19.
Delivery of Instruction	-On-site, in person Monday-Thursday.	-On-site, in person Monday-Thursday. -Online options for excused students.	-Online instruction provided for students to complete at home based on connectivity and preference.
Special Education	-Services provided on site according to IEP's.	-Services provided on site according to IEP's. -Services provided remotely through technology, as possible, for students not at school.	-Services provided remotely through technology, as possible.
Employee Duties	-On-site, in person every school day.	-On-site, in person every school day.	-Employees work from home, as possible. -Limited number of employees working on-site, as needed.
Food Service	-Meals served to students on-site	-Meals served to students on-site with adjustments to meal times / locations to allow for social distancing.	-Meals provided for pick up / delivered for all students.
Transportation	-Social distancing on buses, as much as possible. -Hand sanitizer on buses.	-Social distancing on buses, as much as possible. -Hand sanitizer on buses.	--No student transportation -Masks required for staff.
Visitors to Schools	-Allowed for those not showing symptoms.	-Limited number of visitors at schools at one time.	-No visitors or students at school.
Co-Curricular & Extracurricular Activities	-Follow IHSAA recommended guidelines for participation.	-Follow IHSAA recommended guidelines for participation.	-All extra-curricular and co-curricular practices, meetings, and competitions cancelled.
Building Use by Outside Groups	-Administrator approval.	-No outside organization use of buildings unless approved by the Board of Trustees.	-No outside organization use of buildings.
District & School Offices	-District & school office staff working on-site, regular hours.	-District & school office staff working on-site, regular hours.	-District & school office staff working from home as possible.

*Decisions regarding the level at which schools will be operating will be made in consultation with North Central District Health.

DISTRICT PROTOCOL

1. School will reopen in the fall following health and safety guidance from Kamiah School Board Trustees and with input from North Central District Health.
2. Kamiah Schools will operate in the fall with in-person instruction unless health and safety guidelines change.
3. Kamiah Schools will operate under a plan that allows movement along an operational continuum if health and safety guidelines change.
4. Kamiah Schools will communicate regularly with families and staff, and emphasize the importance of staying home when sick, physical distancing and hand hygiene.
5. Kamiah School Board will review the plan on a monthly basis, making adjustments as necessary.
6. Kamiah Schools will ensure staff are trained in safety protocols, including PPE, cleaning protocols, and safe physical distancing.

COMMUNICATION PROTOCOL

Communication Strategies: Kamiah School District Administration will provide ongoing notifications to the Kamiah School Board, Parents, and Staff of the status of the Return To In-Person Instruction plan and protocols. Notification of confirmed cases will be made to the Kamiah School Board, Parents, and Staff as soon as possible. Notification of any staff, students, parents who have been exposed will be completed in conjunction with North Central District Health officials.

In the case of a positive case within the school, a change in levels, or a school closure Kamiah Schools will notify all parents/guardians and staff through multiple communication tools.

1. Kamiah Schools will educate students and parents about good hygiene, physical distancing, symptoms of Covid-19, and when to stay home due to illness.
2. Kamiah Schools will communicate with parents and students the type of blended learning that will be available for their students in Level 2 and 3.
3. Signs will be posted in highly visible locations (school entrances, bathrooms, etc.) that promote everyday protective measures.
4. Communication will occur through the following mediums:
 - a. Blackboard Connect (phone)
 - b. Kamiah.org (Covid19 School Updates Tab)
 - c. Direct Email
 - d. Direct Phone Calls
 - e. District Social Media Sites
 - f. School Newsletters
 - g. Local Print News Sources
5. Kamiah Schools centralized communication team will disseminate information of district/school-wide information. Direct all questions to (208) 935-2991 or info@kamiah.org

SCHOOL CONFIRMED CASE PROTOCOL

Responding to a confirmed case of COVID19: An important part of limiting the spread of COVID-19 in our community is identifying those who may be sick, infected or who have been exposed and requires all of us working together to keep the virus in check. A confirmed case or contact within a school may require different procedures based on the individual case dynamics in consultation with North Central District Public Health officials. KJSD is ready to respond to cases within the school community regardless of the level of community spread. The response to an infected individual in the building will be addressed on a case-by-case basis and KJSD will consult with North Central District Public Health District officials to identify the best course of action.

1. Students with identified symptoms will be safely isolated from other students until a responsible person can pick up the identified person.
2. The Building Principal or designee will contact a parent or guardian to arrange pickup.
3. School officials will work with North Central District Health officials to begin identifying anyone (contact tracing) who may have been in close contact with a confirmed COVID19 case. Close contact is less than 6 feet for more than 15 minutes.
 - a. Once the district learns of a positive Covid case, Kamiah School District will immediately contact trace to determine all students and staff who have been possibly exposed. Kamiah School Administration will notify all families of the possible exposure. Kamiah School District will provide parents the following options to safeguard their student during the quarantine period; family initiated quarantining, or optional masks during face-to-face instruction during the 14 day quarantine period.
4. Local health officials' recommendations for the scope and duration of school dismissals will be made on a case-by-case basis and may include:
 - a. Excluding positive, suspected, and close contacts from school as they follow isolation or self-quarantine instructions until they can safely return.
 - b. Short dismissal may be 1-2 days for students and/or staff.
 - c. Extended School dismissal.
 - d. During school dismissals, extracurricular group activities, school-based afterschool programs, and large events will be canceled and rescheduled.
5. During school dismissals, school facilities will be thoroughly disinfected according to CDC and local public health official's guidance.

If your child has tested positive for COVID-19 we ask that you do not send your child or siblings to school. Please notify your school administrator of the positive test. Follow guidelines from your health provider and local health officials regarding isolation and contact tracing.

FACILITIES, PPE, & SANITATION PROTOCOL

Cleaning and Sanitation Protocol: Following CDC Guidance, frequently touched surfaces and objects will be routinely cleaned as part of our regular cleaning procedures. Standard daily cleaning procedures will include:

1. Bathrooms
2. Desks and chairs wiped down daily (or between class transitions as appropriate).
3. Handrails, door knobs, light switches, telephones, sinks, drinking fountains, and countertops wiped down daily.
4. Lunchroom tables will be cleaned prior and after each meal service (between student group transitions).
5. Classrooms will be vacuumed daily.
6. Trash will be removed daily from the classroom/ building.
7. Cafeteria will be cleaned as required on a daily basis.
8. Food service staff will wear gloves and masks when handing out food to students.
9. Hand sanitizers, soap/paper towels and tissues will be made available to all employees /students.
10. Protective gloves will be made available to all employees.
11. Gymnasiums and locker rooms will be cleaned daily. Gym locker rooms will be locked when not in use.
12. Any areas where an employee or students with probable or confirmed COVID-19 illness has utilized will be cleaned and sanitized.
13. Frequently touched fixtures in common areas will be cleaned and sanitized multiple times throughout the day.

Personal Protective Equipment Protocol:

Level 1

- a. Students and Staff will receive training and routines for equipment and safety. Hand sanitizer in every room. Direct students to wash hands, use hand sanitizer, and not touch their face.
- b. Use of sneeze guards at appropriate locations as requested.
- c. No-touch thermometers in each classroom
- d. No-touch hand sanitizer in each bus and building.
- e. Any person exhibiting mild symptoms must wear a mask until leaving campus.
- f. Use of sneeze guards at appropriate locations.
- g. Health isolation room in each building.

Level 2

- a. Students and Staff will receive training and routines for equipment and safety. Hand sanitizer in every room. Direct students to wash hands, use hand sanitizer, and not touch their face.
- b. Use of sneeze guards at appropriate locations.
- c. No-touch thermometers in each classroom.
- d. No-touch hand sanitizer in each bus and building.
- e. Face Masks / Face shields required when working in groups and when physical distancing is not possible.
- f. Any person exhibiting mild symptoms must wear a mask until leaving campus.
- g. Use of sneeze guards at appropriate locations.
- h. Health isolation room in each building.

- i. All visitors required to wear a Face Mask / Face Shield and appointments are required.

Level 3

- a. School Facilities closed unless by appointment and school or district administrator scheduled.
- b. Face Masks / Face shields required for all staff and students when on campus and on district transportation.

FOOD SERVICE PROTOCOL

OPERATION PROCEDURES:

Level 1

- a. Direct students to hand washing before and after meal service.
- b. Usual meal services in usual locations; no self-service. Ala Carte Sales items will be handled by staff.
- c. Spreading out food serving stations to reduce the number of students in one area.
- d. Face Masks / Face Shields required for all staff when delivering food.
- e. Physical distance practices in kitchens and workspaces when appropriate.
- f. Signs will be posted in highly visible locations (school entrances, bathrooms, etc.) that promote everyday protective measures. Signs from the CDC can be found here:
- g. No-contact hand sanitizer station at start of service lines for customers.
- h. Face Masks / Face Shields allowed by students and staff.

Level 2

- a. Direct students to hand washing before and after meal service.
- b. Usual meal services in usual locations; no self-service. Ala Carte Sales items will be handled by staff.
- c. Spreading out food serving stations to reduce the number of students in one area.
- d. Face Masks / Face Shields required for all staff when delivering food.
- e. Physical distance practices in kitchens and workspaces when appropriate.
- f. Signs will be posted in highly visible locations (school entrances, bathrooms, etc.) that promote everyday protective measures. Signs from the CDC can be found here:
- g. No-contact hand sanitizer station at start of service lines for customers.
- h. Face Masks / Face Shields allowed by students and staff.
- i. Breakfast served in the classrooms.

Level 3

- a. Required face masks / face shields in kitchens and workspaces.
- b. Meals delivered and/or available for drive-through.

TRANSPORTATION PROTOCOL

OPERATION PROCEDURES:

Level 1

- a. Establish and maintain hand hygiene stations at entry and exit to the transportation building.

- b. Students use sanitation stations located on the school campus after exiting the bus and before boarding the bus.
- c. Disinfectant wipes and spray available for all staff.
- d. Use of thermometers to check staff temperature before work each day, along with a verbal check of conditions.

School Bus Requirements:

- a. Integrate good hygiene practices into driver instruction and bus expectations.
- b. Post hygiene signs in buses.
- c. Avoid food on the bus.
- d. Bus drivers/attendants to daily sanitize highly touched surfaces and passenger compartment twice daily
- e. Seating - account for social distancing where possible. Seat siblings together.
- f. Operate buses with windows open, where possible.
- g. Allow additional afternoon loading time at the schools to provide for hand sanitization in the school building prior to loading.

Level 2

PPE Requirements

- a. Mandatory Face Mask / Face Shield for students & staff
- b. Any person with symptoms will not be allowed to ride buses
- c. Establish and maintain hand hygiene stations at entry and exit to the transportation building.
- d. Students use sanitation stations located on the school campus after exiting the bus and before boarding the bus.
- e. Disinfectant wipes and spray available for all staff.
- f. Use of thermometers to check staff temperature before work each day, along with a verbal check of conditions.

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- e. Seating - account for social distancing where possible. Seat siblings together.
- f. Load the bus from rear seats to front seats and unload front seats to rear seats, where possible.
- g. Operate buses with windows open, where possible.
- h. Allow additional afternoon loading time at the schools to provide for hand sanitization in the school building prior to loading.

Level 3 (Meal Delivery, No Pickup)

Personal Protective Equipment

- Masks/Face Shield mandatory for driver & lunch delivery staff (exceptions for underlying health issues)
 - Lunch delivery staff will wear gloves
- a. Establish and maintain hand hygiene stations at entry and exit to the transportation building.
 - b. Disinfectant wipes and spray available for all staff.
 - c. Use of thermometers to check staff temperature before work each day, along with a verbal check of conditions.

School Bus Requirements:

- a. Integrate good hygiene practices into driver instruction and bus expectations.
- b. Bus drivers / attendants daily sanitize highly touched surfaces and passenger compartments.
- c. Operate buses with windows open, where possible.

TECHNOLOGY PROTOCOL

OPERATION PROCEDURES:

Level 1

- a. Staff and students will use classroom and assigned learning devices.
- b. Train staff and students on available technology, learner management system, and synchronous communication tools.
- c. 1:1 devices will be sanitized between each unique user.
- d. Lab seating will be appropriate for social distance guidelines

Level 2

- a. Staff and students will use assigned learning 1:1 devices.
- b. Train staff and students on available technology, learner management system, and synchronous communication tools.
- c. 1:1 devices will be sanitized between each unique user.
- d. Lab seating will be appropriate for social distance guidelines

Level 3

- a. 1:1 devices will be sent home with students for online learning.

KAMIAH ELEMENTARY / MIDDLE / HIGH SCHOOL PROTOCOL

OPERATION PROCEDURES:

1. Classroom Strategies

- a. Staff and students trained in the areas of physical distancing, handwashing, respiratory etiquette, and mask use to mitigate exposure.
- b. Sanitize desks, keyboards, and screens
- c. Schedule desk sanitation during the school day at appropriate transitions.
- d. Custodial staff routinely clean highly touched surfaces in the evenings.

- e. Desks- arrange to account for physical distancing
- f. Integrate good hygiene practices into instruction and classroom expectations
- g. Eliminate the use of student provided supplies.
- h. Keep student belongings separate.
- i. Avoid sharing supplies.
- j. Avoid sharing electronic devices, toys, books, and other games or learning aids.
- k. Avoid outside food in the classroom.
- l. Students and staff use personal water bottles and water bottle filling stations vs. hallway/classroom drinking fountains.

2. Office Strategies and Other Non-Instructional Spaces

- a. Maintain 6 ft. distance when possible
- b. Sneeze guards placed at counters where the public or guests to the school may stand or approach.
- c. Sanitize surface areas regularly and frequently.
- d. Hand sanitizer at each workstation.
- e. Restrooms - Staff use separate restrooms than children.
- f. Employee Break Room - Custodians routinely sanitize surface areas.

3. Visitors

- a. Post signage at entry points to school and in highly visible areas.
- b. Limit visitors to parents, by appointment, and critically important visitors on campus.
- c. Doors locked during school hours.
- d. Develop a visitation procedure for appointments. Example: call the office upon arrival from the car vs. walking into the main office.
- e. Develop parent pick-up & drop-off procedure.

CO-CURRICULAR / EXTRA-CURRICULAR PROTOCOL

Co-Curricular and Extra-Curricular Event

- 1. Follow established IDHSAA & District Guidelines.

Practice Procedure

- 1. Locker Rooms/Practice Facilities:
 - a. Individual lockers are not to be shared.
- 1. Indoor/Outdoor Practice:
 - a. Appropriate physical distancing should be observed when possible.
- 1. Equipment
 - a. All athletic equipment should be cleaned intermittently.
 - b. There should be no shared towels, water bottles, clothing, or shoes between athletes.
 - c. Individual/team equipment, towels and clothing should be washed and cleaned after every workout.
 - d. When equipment is shared; handwashing should be enforced.

1. Health and Safety Measures (for all conditioning, practice & contests regardless of category):
 - a. All coaches and students should be screened for signs/symptoms of COVID-19 prior to a workout. Screening may include a temperature check.
 - b. Any person with symptoms of COVID-19 should NOT be allowed to participate and should contact his or her primary care provider or other appropriate health care provider.
 - c. Athletes/coaches should wash their hands with soap and water or use hand sanitizer after touching frequently used items or surfaces.

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Attendance Procedure for students absent during periods of remote learning

During school-initiated temporary remote learning, daily student attendance will be determined through the participation of learning by engaging in and completing digital or paper learning activities in each assigned content area.

- a. K-6 school-initiated temporary remote learning attendance will be assessed by the completion of digital or paper learning activities. K-6 teachers will determine the appropriate amount of work to be completed to be considered actively participating in learning. Staff will provide daily parent contact utilizing a school phone call, email, zoom, or dojo message to offer assistance for students to complete learning activities.
- b. 7-12 school-initiated temporary remote learning attendance will be assessed by the completion of digital or paper learning activities. 7-12 teachers will determine the appropriate amount of work to be completed to be considered actively participating in learning. Staff will provide students the opportunity to connect through email, google classroom, zoom, school phone call for support with the learning activities. If teachers become aware that students are not participating in learning, parents will be contacted.

Missing assignments & make up for school-initiated temporary remote learning & family-initiated quarantining:

During school-initiated temporary remote learning, make-up work will be based on current policy allowing 1 day to return make-up work for each day of closure. Once students provide completed work to teachers, student attendance will be changed from absent to present.

During family-initiated quarantining, the time will be considered as a pre-arranged absence and all work will be due the day upon returning to school. Upon returning, student absences will be changed from absent to present when completed work is provided to teachers.

Self-Quarantine days allowed during periods of face-to-face instruction:

When school is providing face-to-face instruction, students will be allowed to self-quarantine due to direct exposure or from a positive family member for a maximum of 8 school days per semester. Additional requests to self-quarantine will be approved on a case-by-case basis by the district superintendent.

Retention/Promotion as it relates to Covid absences or academic performance:

K-12 Promotion / Retention will be based on the Kamiah School Board Policy 3050. Kamiah School Board Policy 3050 will be reviewed to make necessary changes to support students who are at risk of being retained due to excessive absences and failed grades.

Determining adequate student progress at home:

K-12 teachers will determine the appropriate amount of work to be completed to be considered actively participating in learning when determining daily attendance.

Threshold of absent students before moving fully online: head lice outbreak, noro-virus, covid, etc...

Whenever the percentage of daily absences exceeds 30% or more of students at a specific site due to communicable health related issues, the district would move to fully remote learning for a period of time determined by the Superintendent with guidance from the North Central District Health.

Teacher responsibilities

Teachers will provide Face-to-Face instruction during periods of in-person learning. If students are self-quarantining during periods of face-to-face instruction, teachers will follow procedures for pre-arranged absences.

Contact Tracing & Quarantining

Once the district learns of a positive covid case Kamiah School District will immediately contact trace to determine all students and staff who have been possibly exposed. Kamiah school administration will notify all families of the possible exposure. Kamiah School District will provide parents the following options to safeguard their student during the quarantine period; family-initiated quarantining, or optional masks during face-to-face instruction during the 14 day quarantine period.

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Threshold of absent students before moving fully online due to contagious or infectious diseases:

When the percentage of daily absences exceeds 30% or more students at a specific site due to contagious or infectious diseases, the district may move to fully remote learning for a period of time to be determined by the Superintendent with guidance from Idaho North Central District Public Health (<https://idahopublichealth.com/>)

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Determining adequate student progress at home:

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Missing assignments and make up for school initiated temporary remote learning

During school initiated temporary remote learning, make up work will be based on current policy, allowing 1 day to return make up work for each day of closure. Once students provide completed work to teachers, student attendance will be changed to present.

Retention/Promotion as it relates to absences or academic performance:

K-12 Promotion/Retention will be based on Kamiah School Board Policy 3050

Further Guidance

For further guidance on vaccinations, testing options, and quarantining please visit <https://idahopublichealth.com/>

Idaho North Central District Public Health may also be reached by phone at: 208-799-3100

***Quarantining will only be recognized by the district if recommended by a medical professional and written documentation is provided.**