

MALVERNE SCHOOL DISTRICT

2021-22 COVID-19 UPDATE



Stay Safe. Stay Healthy. Stay Strong.
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HOW WE ARE MAINTAINING SAFETY WITHIN OUR SCHOOLS

Masks optional
indoor/outdoor

Mask optional on
buses

In-person instruction
only

Students continue to
follow normal school
starting times and
schedules

Student/Staff online
COVID reporting
form

Daily temperature
checks and parent
consent form at
start of school year

Barriers
available when
needed

Virtual
Meetings (PTA,
Parent Teacher
Conferences, BOE)

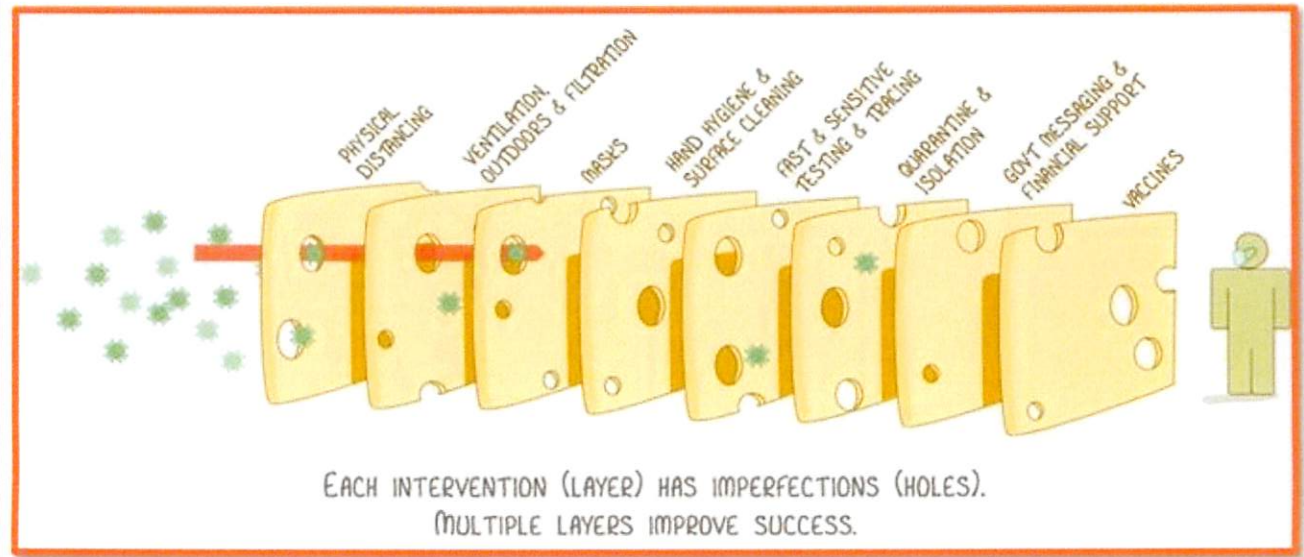
Virtual learning
support for COVID
positive students

Distribution of
testing kits K-12

Weekly
testing available
for community

Ongoing
Cleaning/disinfection
measures

KEEPING OUR SCHOOLS OPEN



CDC Recommended Layers of Safety:

- Promoting vaccination;
- Consistent and correct use of masks;
- Physical distancing;
- Screening testing to quickly identify cases;
- Improved ventilation;
- Proper handwashing and respiratory etiquette;
- Staying home when sick and getting tested;
- Contact tracing in combination with isolation and quarantine;
- Routine cleaning with disinfection

- Masks are now optional indoors and outdoors
- Parents in grades K-5 have access to online form requesting that their child remain masked
- Ongoing classroom discussions about respecting the choices of others



MASKS

COMMUNICATION & DIALOGUE

- Reopening Committee Meetings
- Building faculty/staff meetings
- PTA Meetings
- Superintendent's Advisory Council (SAC)
- Central Council Meetings
- Leadership Discussions
- Thought Exchange
- Superintendent's Weekly Letters
- Principal Newsletters
- District Website COVID-19 Tab
- NYSED Communication
- DOH Partnership
- Governor Updates



VISITOR GUIDELINES

During school hours (Picture Day, Concerts, Book fairs etc.)

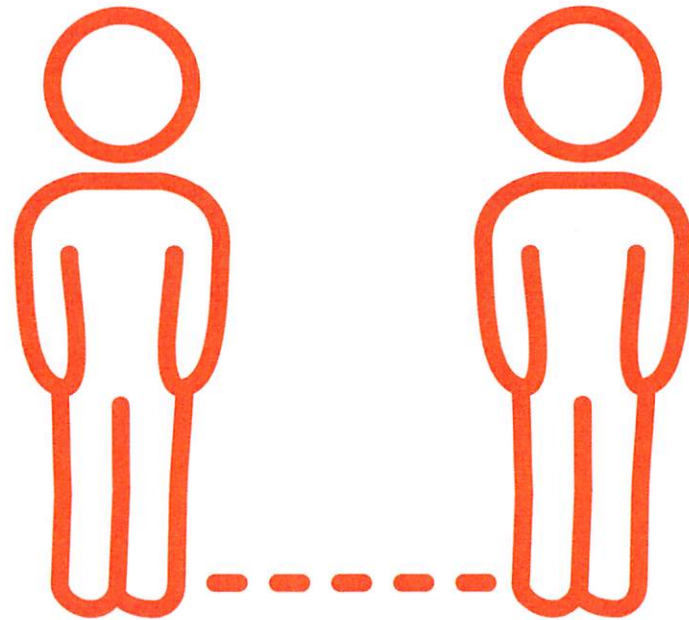
- MUST provide proof of vaccination **OR** recent negative COVID-19 test before entry.
- Mask Optional

After school hours for indoor events: (Concerts, Meet the Teacher etc.)

- Two guests per student.
- Socially distance where possible
- Mask optional

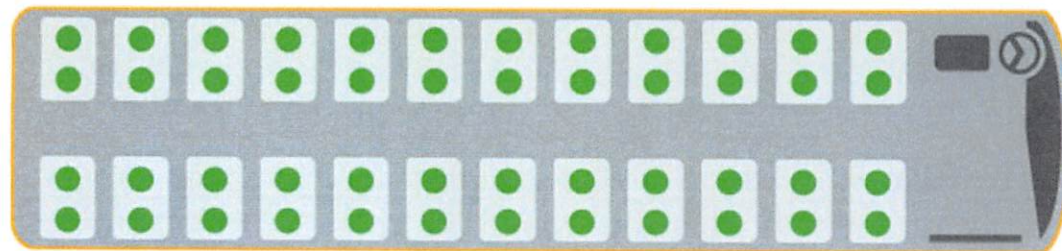


- Maintain (masked optional)at least three feet of physical distance between students within classrooms, Six feet for physical education, and music.
- If students are engaged in singing or playing a wind instrument, at least six feet of distance between students is recommended.
- In physical education, ensure any contact due to activities is quick and not for extended periods of time.



PHYSICAL DISTANCE

- Masking is no longer required on school buses or vans
- At least three feet of physical distancing between non-household members should be maintained as much as possible on a school bus.
- Ventilation, loading from the rear forward, and alternate window/aisle seating can also help reduce risk of transmission.



BUS SEATING

Regular Occupancy:
66 Children

Reduced Occupancy:
42 children

Masks are optional for
all children riding the bus

- It is the plan of the district to provide the normal complement of extracurricular activities for students if no NYS or Nassau County agency prohibits them.
- Masks will be optional and follow all NYS and Nassau County guidelines.



- The Malverne School District will allow only (2) spectators per student athlete at home indoor contests. Mask will be optional. Outdoor athletic contests will follow NYS and Nassau County spectator policy and masks are optional.
- Locker rooms are back to normal with following all NYS and Nassau County guidelines. Students will receive a locker and a lock.

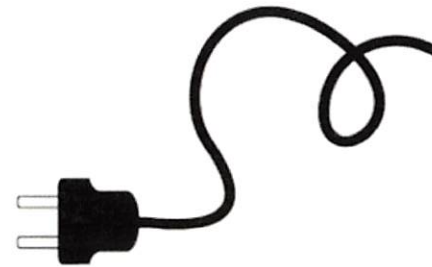
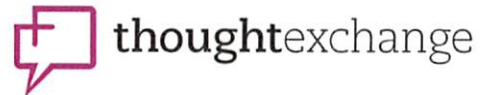
ATHLETICS

- Continued normal implementation of extracurricular activities for students as long as no State or County agency prohibits them.
- The district will continue to monitor clubs and activities which interact with outside agencies and/or facilities, including field trips.



CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES

- Consistent digital platforms will be used by the district to ensure readiness for virtual instruction at any time
- All students receive a district issued iPad
- Families with limited or no Wi-Fi access can reach out to the district's tech department for assistance and guidance.
- Ongoing technology upgrades and training K-12



INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGY

- Commitment from parents/guardians to assess student health daily before sending to school
- Online COVID positive reporting form
- Testing kit distribution
- Weekly testing option for community



As a Parent/Guardian of a student in the Malverne UFSD, I agree to:

Check my child's temperature each school day and not allow them to attend school on any day that the temperature is on or above 100 degrees.

Keep my child at home if they have knowingly been in close contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19.

Keep my child at home if they have tested positive for COVID-19, and they will quarantine for ten days.

Keep my child at home if they are experiencing any symptoms of COVID-19 such as:

- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea
- Fever or chills

HEALTH



Testing Positive:

- Positive results must be submitted via Online COVID positive reporting form
- Once a positive case is identified: ***A five-day quarantine must be observed.***

Returning to School:

- Individuals who are symptom free may return to school on day 6
- They will be required to wear a mask in school and in all indoor public spaces on Days 6-10.

COVID-19: POSITIVE CASE

COVID-19 EXPOSURE, CLOSE CONTACT (GROUP) AND TESTING

Definition of Exposure:

- Individuals who meet the definition of “close contact” to a confirmed case of COVID-19
- *Exposure* is not a reason to remove students from the classroom setting or school.

Definition of Close Contact:

- A *close contact* is a person, regardless of vaccination status, who was less than 6 feet away from an infected person for a cumulative total of 15 minutes or more over a 24-hour period

Definition of Group Tracing:

- *Group contact tracing* makes the assumption that everybody in an area, e.g., a classroom, with an infected person, is exposed or potentially exposed.
- Exposed individuals should mask in school and while in indoor public spaces for 10 days after exposure
- Students exposed (group) will be provided with a test kit to be used on days 1 and day 5

Elementary

- Parent reports case online and uploads test results
- Teacher will upload work on SeeSaw for the student to work on during the day
- After school hours, student will have access to virtual learning support via Webex M-TH



Secondary

- Parent reports case online and uploads test results
- Each teacher will upload work prior to the start of the school day to Microsoft Teams/OneNote for the student to work on during the day
- After school hours, student will have access to virtual learning support via Webex M-TH

WHAT HAPPENS IF MY CHILD IS POSITIVE AND MUST QUARANTINE?

TESTING

- Individuals exhibiting symptoms of COVID will be referred to their personal physician or Urgent Care for determination of appropriate treatment and the need to be tested
- Weekly Covid-19 testing every Monday (HS Concession stand). If there is no school on Monday, testing will be on the following day school is open.

Northwell Health | GoHealth URGENT CARE

GoHealth Urgent Care Center - West Hempstead

Urgent Care Clinic

📍 595 Hempstead Tpke, West Hempstead, NY 11552

📞 (347) 493-2952

GoHealth Urgent Care Center - Rockville Centre

Urgent Care Clinic

📍 243 Merrick Rd, Rockville Centre, NY 11570

📞 (516) 537-9063

CITYMD URGENT CARE

CityMD Urgent Care- Lynbrook

Urgent Care Clinic

📍 585 Merrick Rd, Lynbrook, NY 11563

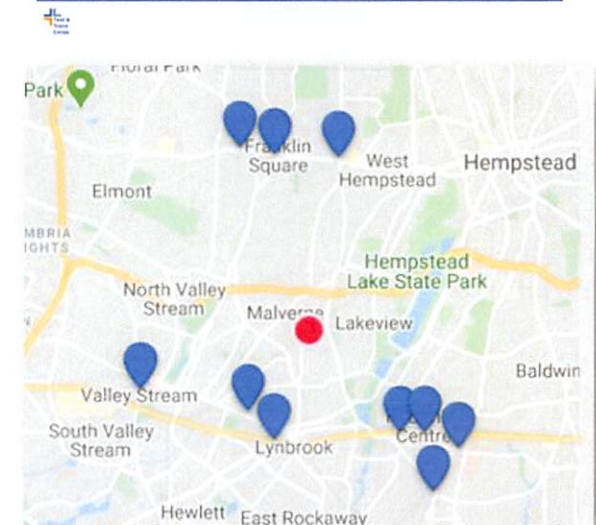
📞 (516) 764-2273

COVID-19 TESTS ARE:



- ✓ Free
- ✓ Safe
- ✓ Easy
- ✓ Available at over 100 locations

Go to nyc.gov/covidtest to find a testing site near you.



<https://coronavirus.health.ny.gov/find-test-site-near-you>

NUTRITION

- Daily Breakfast and Lunch service will continue
- Elementary students will eat in classrooms while maintaining social distancing with desk barriers
- Secondary students will eat in the cafeteria/auditorium with polycarbonate shields
- Food allergies will be addressed as needed
- Social distancing and safety measures will be followed and enforced during mealtimes throughout the district.



TECHNOLOGY

iPads

- iPads will be distributed K-12
- Buildings will issue information regarding iPad procedures.
- Grades 3-12 students will be responsible to transport iPads to and from school safely.

Wifi/Internet

- Families with limited or no Wi-Fi access can reach out to the counseling center at the Malvene High School.

CLEANING AND DISINFECTING

Daily

- Daily cleaning as per CDC guidance
- Classrooms (windows, desktops, chairs, etc.)
- Common areas
- Hallways

Enhanced

- High touch area/surfaces (entrances, railings, door knobs)
- Bathrooms)

Disinfect

- Disinfect buildings as per CDC guidance
- Weekly use of fogger machine



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| ✓ Clean all windows | ✓ Vacuum all necessary areas |
| ✓ Clean and then disinfect Air Conditioner filter/univent | ✓ Empty all garbage |
| ✓ Wipe teacher desk and chair | ✓ Replace paper towels, if necessary |
| ✓ Wipe all students desks and chairs | ✓ Replace hand sanitizer station liquid, if necessary |
| ✓ Wipe any additional countertops in classroom | ✓ Use 'Fogger' to mist entire classroom (Weekly) |
| ✓ Wipe doorknobs, light switches, handles, phone, electronic devices (i.e.) | |
| ✓ Mop floors with disinfectant | |



VENTILATION

Windows will remain open as much as possible to allow for fresh air from the outside to enter the classrooms

Air conditioning units will be permitted to be used in the classrooms, where available, as long as the windows are open as well

Windows on school busses will remain open, weather permitting





Questions