

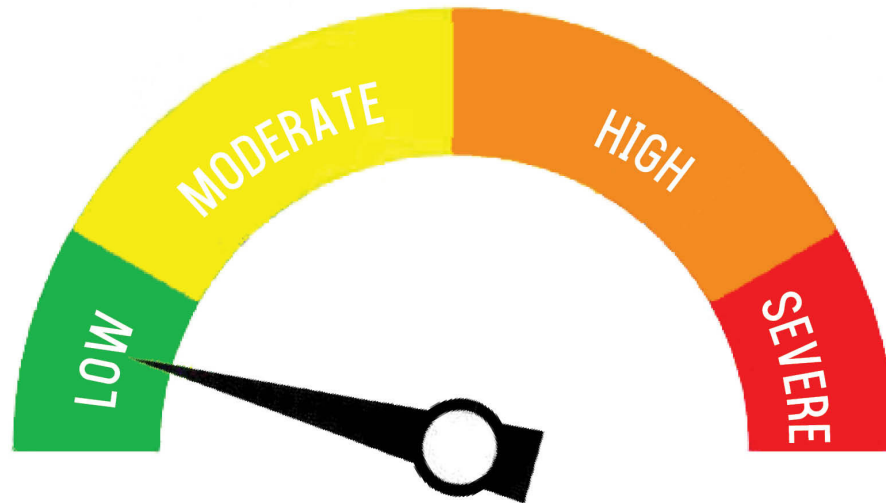
# NORTH BEND CENTRAL

*NBC Pillars of Success*



## SCHOOL OPERATIONS GUIDE & RISK DIAL

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# RETURN TO SCHOOL 2021-2022



# *Welcome Back!*

North Bend Central Public Schools is thrilled to welcome students back to our two buildings on August 17th, 2021. In order for the district to provide a safe and secure environment for our students and staff and comply with state and federal regulations, a number of modifications to the traditional school day are necessary. As with 2020-2021, face-to-face instruction throughout the entirety of the school year is the goal, with a premium placed on face-to-face instruction for younger learners. In order to accomplish the district's educational goals, the framework in this document will be incorporated, and periodically modified if necessary, to meet the needs associated with educating NBC students during a pandemic.

## GENERAL OVERVIEW:

As with 2020, many factors will be taken into consideration when assigning an NBC building to a specific color scheme on the NBC Risk Dial such as: recent community spread of the virus, Three Rivers Health recommendations, capacity of the local health care systems, current Directed Health Measures (DHM) from governmental officials, availability of school staff, and other variables that emerge. Health and attendance of students and staff, supplies available to the district and other factors directly associated with NBC will impact the Risk Dial assessment. Contract tracing will occur as needed with both students and staff. Vaccinations are available at Medicine Man Pharmacy in North Bend. Accommodations for children with disabilities will be made as necessary.

**GREEN:** Low / New Normal Risk of COVID-19 Spread - Building open as usual

- **Community Definition**
  - Minimal cases of COVID within the greater community
  - COVID has minimal impact on local healthcare system
- **School Response**
  - Full attendance is required
  - Masks are optional
  - Social distancing measures in place as available
  - Lunch and breakfast will be served in cafeteria
  - Students and staff should stay home if they have symptoms

**YELLOW:** Moderate Risk of COVID-19 Spread - Building opened with adjustments

- **Community Definition**
  - There is a stable trajectory in numbers of COVID positive cases or percent of positive cases due to community or regional spread
  - There is limited community spread within the NBC district
  - COVID has a small impact on local healthcare system capacity
- **School Response**
  - Full attendance is required
  - Masks are optional
  - Social distancing measures in place as practical
  - Lunch and breakfast will be served in cafeteria with social distancing as practical
  - Students and staff should stay home if they have symptoms

**ORANGE:** High Elevated COVID-19 Spread Risk - Possible modified use of school facilities

- **Community Definition**
  - There are increasing or high stable numbers of COVID positive cases OR percent of positive cases due to the community or regional spread
  - There is an increase in flu-like symptom COVID cases in the school district
  - Clusters or outbreaks exist that are still likely in their early stages
  - Three Rivers Health Department must rely on assistance to conduct investigation for new cases and contact tracing
- **School Response**
  - K-8 students will report to school; modified schedule may be implemented for high school learners
  - Students screened; any student or staff with symptoms will be temperature checked
  - Students and staff required to wear masks
  - Masks will be required
  - Meals will be served at school with social distancing as practical

**RED:** Severe COVID-19 Pandemic Outbreak - Limited use of school facilities

- **Community Definition**
  - Widespread school or community transmission of COVID
  - There is a significant increase in COVID positive cases or percent positive cases which may potentially overwhelm the local healthcare system
  - There is inadequate capacity to conduct investigation and contact tracing
- **School Response**
  - School will close temporarily to clean the buildings and assess the situation
  - E-Learning protocol implemented
  - Modified use of the building will be made for special circumstances
  - Temperature checks will be taken if students and staff receive permission to enter the building



## RISK DIAL LEVELS INSTRUCTIONAL MODEL:

**GREEN:** The “New Normal” risk of COVID-19 spread. The building will be open as usual.

Elementary: Regular school day with measures in place for increased hygiene practices.

High School: Regular 7 period day. Increased hygiene practices.

**YELLOW:** Moderate risk of COVID-19 spread. The building is opened with minor adjustments.

Elementary: Regular school day in place for elementary students.

High School: Regular 7 period day with measures in place as outlined throughout this document. Other modifications will occur as outlined throughout this document and in conjunction with social distancing when possible.

**ORANGE:** High Elevated COVID-19 spread risk. Modified use of the facility.

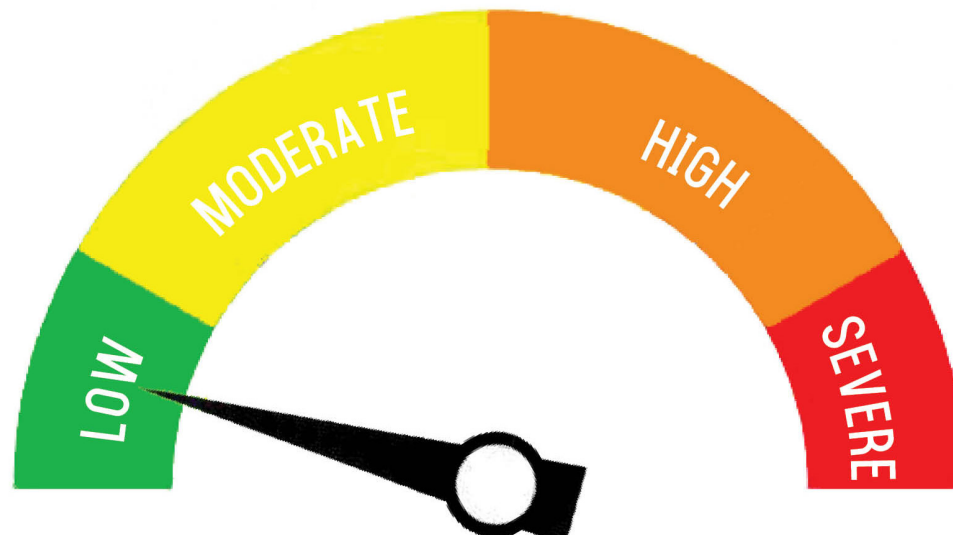
Elementary: Regular school day in place with social distancing as practical. Altered lunch room procedures and other modifications will occur as outlined in this document and in conjunction with the DHM.

High School: Regular school day in place with social distancing as practical. Altered lunch room procedures and other modifications will occur as outlined in this document and in conjunction with the DHM.

**RED:** Severe COVID-19 pandemic outbreak. Limited use of the facility.

Elementary: E-learning program implemented with limited access to the building and in accordance with the DHM.

High School: E-learning program implemented with limited access to the building and in accordance with the DHM.



DAILY SCHOOL OPERATIONS	GREEN	YELLOW	ORANGE	RED
<p><b>SCREENING</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Take temperature and symptom check at home.</li> <li>• Symptomatic students must stay home. Students with a temperature of 100.4 or higher should stay home.</li> <li>• Students must be fever free for 24 hours to return to school.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Take temperature and symptom check at home.</li> <li>• Symptomatic students must stay home. Students with a temperature of 100.4 or higher should stay home.</li> <li>• Students must be fever free for 24 hours to return to school.</li> <li>• Occasional spot checks for temperatures may be taken and students sent home with a temperature of 100.4 or higher.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Screenings and temperature checks will occur frequently as students enter the building.</li> <li>• If a student had a fever or other COVID symptoms, a doctor's note giving clearance will be required to return to school.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• E-learning protocol in place.</li> </ul>
<p><b>MASKS/FACIAL COVERINGS</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wearing mask is optional.</li> <li>• When wearing a mask, cover the nose and mouth.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wearing mask or face shield is optional.</li> <li>• When wearing a mask, cover the nose and mouth.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students will be required to wear masks.</li> <li>• When wearing a mask, cover the nose and mouth.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students are required to wear masks if they must enter the building.</li> <li>• When wearing a mask, cover the nose and mouth.</li> </ul>
<p><b>TRANSPORTATION</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Normal bus route patterns in place with social distancing encouraged.</li> <li>• Assigned seating on school bus routes.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Normal bus route patterns in place with social distancing implemented as needed.</li> <li>• Assigned seating on school bus routes with one person per seat as needed.</li> <li>• All passengers maybe required to wear a mask when traveling in school vehicles.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Masks are required to ride district transportation.</li> <li>• Transportation will be provided when possible and practical while following DHM guidelines.</li> <li>• Routes may be modified or eliminated as needed.</li> <li>• Assigned seating on school bus routes with one person per seat as needed.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Masks are required to ride any school transportation that occurs.</li> </ul>

DAILY SCHOOL OPERATIONS	GREEN	YELLOW	ORANGE	RED
<b>FOOD SERVICE</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sanitize hands upon entering cafeteria.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sanitize hands upon entering cafeteria.</li> <li>Social distancing as needed.</li> <li>Others may need to eat in assigned seats outside or in large areas such as the gymnasium or open classrooms.</li> <li>Lunch procedures adjusted to promote social distancing as needed.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sanitize hands upon entering cafeteria.</li> <li>Limited or no salad bar based upon DHM.</li> <li>Social distancing required; therefore, some students may need to eat lunch in their classrooms.</li> <li>Others may need to eat in assigned seats outside or in large areas such as the gymnasium or open classrooms.</li> <li>Students may be assigned seats to limit exposures. Lunch periods adjusted to promote social distancing.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>E-learning protocol in place.</li> </ul>
<b>BEGINNING OF DAY</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Doors open at 7:30. Students eating breakfast must remain there until school begins.</li> <li>Elementary students are encouraged to walk outside when weather-permitting.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Doors open at 7:30. Staggered arrival of school transportation.</li> <li>Parent/guardian/visitor access scheduled.</li> <li>Elementary students are encouraged to walk outside when weather-permitting.</li> <li>Occasional spot checks for temperatures may be taken and students sent home with a temperature of 100.4 or higher.</li> <li>Students are encouraged to social distance.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Doors open at 7:30. Staggered arrival of school transportation.</li> <li>Parent/guardian/visitor access scheduled and restricted to essential needs or meetings.</li> <li>Elementary students are encouraged to walk outside when weather-permitting.</li> <li>High School students should report to breakfast or first period unless part of a scheduled meeting.</li> <li>Screenings and temperature checks will occur frequently as students enter the building and/or during first period.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>E-learning protocol in place.</li> </ul>

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COMMON AREAS / PASSING PERIODS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Regular passing periods in place.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Regular passing periods with social distancing as needed.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Staggered passing periods with students walking in the same direction and social distancing whenever possible.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>E-learning protocol in place.</li> </ul>
END OF DAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Regular dismissal.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Regular dismissal.</li> <li>All students are asked to leave the building at the end of the day unless they participate in after-school programs, are working with a teacher or have approval from the principal.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Staggered dismissal.</li> <li>All students are asked to leave the building at the end of the day unless they participate in after-school programs, working with a teacher or have approval from the principal.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>E-learning protocol in place.</li> </ul>

## OTHER INFORMATION RELATED TO THE CORONAVIRUS

- **Attendance:** Coronavirus-related absenteeism will require verification from school personnel or from a health care facility. Return to school will require a doctor's note or Three Rivers Health verification.
- **Custodial:** Cleaning of door knobs, handles, rails and other items will be done by custodians. Cleanings will occur using electrostatic sprayers owned by the district. Bathrooms will be cleaned throughout the day by custodial staff as needed.
- **Hydration:** Students should use personal water bottles and fill them at the designated bottle filling stations.
- **Facilities:** District facilities are conducive to physical distancing relative to other schools. HVAC upgrades occurred within the last 5 years. The district will modify facility space as needed to allow for physical distancing.

- **Hygiene:** Personal hygiene will be taught and emphasized to all students. Washing of hands several times per day will be encouraged to all students and respiratory etiquette emphasized.
- **Visitors:** The Risk Dial will impact the decision to allow visitors into the building. All visitors to the buildings will need to schedule in advance with the office. A staff member may greet you at the main entrance when possible. Visitors may be required to wear a mask when in the orange or red Risk Dial.
- **Activities:** Extra-curricular activities will be followed in accordance with NSAA guidelines, Three Rivers Health and the Risk Dial at that time.
- **Community Weight Room:** The community weight room is open for the foreseeable future. The Risk Dial will impact the availability of the community weight room.

- **Youth Activities:** Youth activities using NBC facilities may be limited based upon the current Risk Dial. A coach and an additional adult that will be in charge of complying with DHM may be required at each practice/event.
- **Sickness:** Isolation rooms will be created for those individuals feeling sick or displaying symptoms.
- **Communication:** Should someone in the school building test positive for coronavirus, communication will occur with directly impacted families from Three Rivers Health and/or the school. Those families directly impacted by a positive test will be contacted by a health official or the school and Tiger Talk will be utilized periodically so district patrons are aware of current district conditions.
- **Lockers:** Students will have use of lockers/cubbies unless otherwise directed.

## More Guidance Information

- Universal and correct usage of mask wearing is supported in this plan. For the most current information on this, please visit the CDC website at: [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov)
- All contact tracing and quarantining will be done in collaboration with state and local health departments. For the most current information on this, please visit the CDC website at: [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov)
- All diagnostic, screening, and testing will be done following CDC guidance, For the most current information on this, please visit the CDC website at: [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov)
- North Bend Central will communicate availability of vaccines to school communities through collaboration with Three Rivers Health Department and Medicine Man Pharmacy.
- All appropriate accommodations for children with disabilities with respect to health and safety policies will be followed.
- North Bend Central will coordinate with state and local health officials when possible, including the need for support and technical assistance, to implement strategies consistent with relevant CDC guidance.