

Cattaraugus – Little Valley CSD Reopening Plan 2021 – 2022

The reopening plan is based on guidance from the Health & Safety Guide for the 2021 – 2022 School year, New York State Education Department August 2021, CDC’s Guidance for COVID – 19 Prevention K – 12 Schools, American Academy of Pediatrics’ COVID – 19 Guidance for Safe Schools, NYSDOH and Cattaraugus County DOH.

Masks: All students and staff will be required to wear masks while on school buses and inside the school building regardless of vaccination status. Masks are optional outside, unless there is a group activity where there is prolonged contact between individuals and 6 feet of social distancing cannot be maintained. Students and staff are encouraged to provide their own acceptable masks. In the event a student or staff member does not have a mask, a mask will be provided.

Mask Breaks: Mask breaks may be taken by students once every hour for approximately 5 minutes. Students should be seated and stationary at their desks during mask breaks. CLV will monitor regulations and adjust accordingly.

Student Transportation: Per CDC guidance, physical distancing is not required on buses. However, all students, drivers and staff MUST wear a mask while on the bus. To assist with “Contact Tracing” should it be needed, students WILL be assigned seats and must sit in assigned seat.

Social Distancing: In order to bring all students back to in-person instruction, CLV will follow the CDC guidance that allows for 3 feet of social distancing in classrooms for students. However, CLV plans to increase this distance as space allows to 6 feet of distance.

Daily Health Screening / Temperature Checks: Parents will need to check their child/children for symptoms of COVID-19 (including temperatures) prior to sending their child/children to school each day and complete the on – line “CLV Daily Student Health Screening Assessment” form posted on the district’s website at <http://www.cattlv.wnyric.org> CLV will continue with the practice of daily temperature screening using a hand held temperature probe upon students’ arrival to school.

Health & Safety: Staying Home When Sick: Students and staff MUST stay home when they do not feel well or have COVID 19 symptoms. Students and school personnel with COVID – 19 symptoms must have a negative COVID - 19 test or medical note to return to school or there has been at least 10 days since the onset of COVID – 19 symptoms and/or in accordance with Cattaraugus County DOH regulations.

Meals / Cafeteria: For the elementary and HS students meals (breakfast and lunch) will be served in classrooms. MS students 7 & 8 will eat in the cafeteria and 5 & 6 in the café and/or classroom. To the extent possible, students will be seated 6 feet apart, but in some cases may be seated closer. Masks will be required when not eating.

Lockers/Cubbies: MS and HS students will have lockers. Elementary students will have cubbies and/or lockers.

Technology: PreK – 8th grade students will be assigned iPads. 9 – 12 will have window laptops. Wi-Fi Kajeets will be available on an as needed basis.

Physical Education: Whenever possible, PE classes will be conducted outside. When classes occur inside, masks MUST be used at all times with masks breaks provided as necessary. Students will be six feet apart when masks breaks are taken.

Band/Chorus: Students will socially distance at a minimum of six feet for band and chorus. Band masks will be purchased and provided to students.

Interscholastic Sports Athletes: Students will wear mask for interscholastic sports as tolerated. Masks will be required on the sidelines for in-door sports. Masks are not required when outdoors.

Interscholastic Sports Spectators: Spectators MUST wear masks at all times when attending in-door interscholastic events. Mask are not required when outdoors. Spectators must sign in for contact tracing.

Medical/Virtual Learning: A virtual learning option will be available to students with medical documentation by a physician. iTutor will be used as an on-line learning platform.

Remote Instruction: CLV will shift to remote learning in the event of a school closure. In the event of the need to shift to remote learning, teachers will provide remote instruction using Seesaw in the elementary and TEAMS and/or Schoology in the MS/HS. Please be certain to check individual building websites for emergency updates.

After School Homework Support and After School Activities: After school homework support and after school activities will be made available in the near future with updates posted on the district website.

Concerts, Plays and Other Large Events: CLV will be scheduling various events within established regulations.

COVID – 19 Testing: CLV is partnering with the Cattaraugus County DOH for COVID – 19 testing for those in need of a COVID – 19 test. The district does not plan to administer COVID – 19 tests at this time.

Contact Tracing: Contact tracing will be done in collaboration with Cattaraugus County DOH.

Social, Emotional and Academic Supports: An “Educational Support/Learning Loss Coordinator” will coordinate the provision of additional supports and resources needed by students. Contact information will be posted on the district website.