

2021-2022
FAYETTE COUNTY ALTERNATIVE SCHOOL
Addendum to Student Handbook

In an effort to promote the health and safety of our students and staff, the following procedures and recommendations identified in the Covid-19 Health and Prevention Guidance for Ohio K-12 Schools, produced in partnership between the Ohio Department of Health and Ohio Department of Education and revised 07/26/2021 for the 2021-2022 school year, will be instituted with respect to the ongoing Covid-19 global pandemic and sensitivity to the Delta variant **until further notice**.

The school environment:

- The maximum number of students served will be 8 until further notified.
- The staff will sanitize and disinfect the classroom (desks, common surfaces, door knobs) throughout and at the end of each school day
- Hand sanitizing, social distancing of 3 feet, and proper respiratory etiquette (covering coughs and sneezes) are highly recommended inside the classroom and building
- The school will be equipped with hand washing supplies in the bathroom, hand sanitizer elsewhere

During the school day:

- The school will follow the same guidelines as directed by the Washington Court House City Schools.
- In the event that a youth reports feeling ill or feverish during the day, the affected student's temperature will be taken by staff. The CDC recommends that anyone with Covid symptoms or a temperature above 100 degrees Fahrenheit should stay home, or go home. The student will be isolated and a parent will be called to remove the student immediately. Students whose parents are unable to take action to remove the student in a timely manner will be reported to the Washington City School District for further action.
- Students are encouraged to accept the sack breakfasts and lunches provided by the school district.
- All lunches will be eaten at each individual desk, or outside (weather permitting and as determined by the teacher)
- The water fountain is a high contact surface and will not be accessible. Students are highly encouraged to bring one or two water bottles from home each day to be kept at their desks. Computers should be closed and set aside while a student is taking a drink.

Maximizing ventilation and exposure to fresh air will include:

- 1) Opening the front and back doors to allow fresh air ventilation, weather permitting
- 2) Students will have the opportunity to take a group walk outside with a staff member periodically with recommendation for continued social distancing
- 3) Use of child-safe fans to circulate air
- 4) Consideration of outdoor activities and classes, or lunch outside

The CDC identifies Covid-19 symptoms as being one or more of the following:

Fever or chill	Cough	Fatigue
Headache	Muscle or body aches	Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
Loss of taste or smell	Congestion or runny nose	Diarrhea
Sore throat	Nausea or vomiting	
Repeated shaking w/chills		

Note: Symptoms range from mild to severe and may appear 2-10 days after exposure to the virus. As CDC recommendations continue to evolve based on different Covid variants, the school will observe the recommendations of the Fayette County Health Department until further notice.

The safety of our staff and your child is of the utmost importance. Thank you in advance for your understanding and cooperation.