



# Deer Creek-Lamont Public Schools

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Dear Parents, Students and Staff,

Deer Creek – Lamont Public Schools is committed to providing the safest and healthiest learning environment possible for our students and staff. We understand there are many questions regarding returning to school this year. Hopefully, the following guidelines will answer some of the questions you may have at this time. Please keep in mind that things are changing daily, and adjustments may need to be made as we continue to seek guidance from the CDC and The Oklahoma State Department of Education.

The first day of school will be August 12<sup>th</sup>.

DCLA will offer traditional school and virtual school. If you are interested in virtual school, please contact the school for more information as soon as possible.

### **Deer Creek-Lamont Tentative Back-to-School Guidelines**

- We will return to school as close to normal as possible with safety precautions implemented.
- Temperatures will be checked for all staff and students when they arrive to school or before getting on buses, and possibly also students at lunch.
- Sanitizer will be available in every classroom.
- All visitors' temperatures will be checked.
- Strategic “Virtual Days” will be implemented 1-2 times per week in some classrooms to practice using technology for possible distance learning.

- As of now JH/HS students will move to different classrooms for classes. Students will wipe down their desk on arrival and dismissal of each class. Elementary desks will be cleaned at end of the day.
- Disinfection and cleanliness will be a priority. Extra cleaning attention will be given to high touch surface areas.
- As of now, masks will be required anywhere that social distancing isn't possible. (Example: hallways between class periods, buses)
- Students will need to bring their own refillable water bottle. Water fountains will not be used.
- If a student develops a fever over the course of the day, he/she will be provided a mask, and a parent/guardian will be contacted to pick up the student. The student will be isolated until they are picked up.
- Parents will not be allowed to go to classrooms during the school day.
- Elementary students will continue to participate in PE, Music, and Recess, unless parent requests otherwise.
- JH and HS students will continue to participate in all elective classes, extra-curricular activities, and clubs, unless parent request otherwise.
- If a student or faculty member tests positive for COVID-19, additional sanitizing and disinfecting measures will be implemented to prevent the spread of the virus.
- Should the need arise for school to close due to a surge in cases, students will be transitioned to distance learning.
- If a transition to online or distance learning occurs, assignments given during this time will be graded.
- Buses will run at usual times with additional precautions. Masks will be required when riding the bus. Siblings will share seats, and when possible 1 student per seat.
- Buses will be sanitized daily.

- If more than 15% of the student body and/or staff is out, we will move to distance learning for at least two weeks.
- Students or staff members that test positive for COVID-19 will be required to stay home for two weeks, be fever free for 3 days without medication, and will not be allowed to return until they test negative.
- Parents who are uncomfortable sending their children to school in the traditional setting, should contact the school for virtual learning options.
- Modifications may be necessary as conditions change.