

Hastings Public Schools #200

Health and Safety Measures as of February 24, 2022 for the 2021-2022 School Year

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes Section 123B.09 vests the care, management, and control of independent districts in the school board; and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Independent School District 200 [hereinafter the “Superintendent”] is responsible for the management of the schools, the administration of all School District policies, and is directly accountable to the School Board of Independent School District 200 [hereinafter the “School Board”]; and

WHEREAS, when responsibilities are not specifically prescribed nor School District policy applicable, the Superintendent shall use personal and professional judgment, subject to review by the School Board, pursuant to School District policy; and

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Department of Education (“MDE”) has issued and may continue to issue written guidance for Minnesota schools on educational issues related to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the MDH has issued and may continue to issue written guidance for Minnesota schools on public health issues related to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent has conferred with the School Board regarding COVID-19 health and safety measures, the current CDC, MDE, and MDH requirements for each, and other relevant information; and

WHEREAS, based upon the collective consideration of these factors, the Superintendent has recommended to the School Board that health and safety measures listed in this document be implemented as of February 24, 2022.

WHEREAS, the Health and Safety Measures for the 2021-2022 School Year Resolution adopted by the School Board on August 25, 2021 is terminated,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the School Board of Independent School District No. 200 as follows:

Section 1: The Superintendent is hereby directed to implement the following health and safety measures, beginning February 24, 2022.

At all times, in all locations, for all ages, as long as practical, Hastings Public Schools will employ the following health and safety mitigation strategies:

- Increased ventilation and air flow inside buildings
- Cleaning and disinfecting of high touch surfaces
- Emphasis on handwashing and hygiene
- Emphasis on respiratory etiquette
- Social distancing when practicable
- All persons are recommended to wear face masks when inside school buildings.
- All persons must wear face masks when riding on school buses while required by federal order.

- Athletics will continue to follow additional guidance from the MSHSL.
- School Health offices will continue to implement separation strategies, masking (unless exempt as per the ISD 200 Mask Exemption Form), and sanitation strategies.
- Individuals testing positive for COVID-19 will follow CDC isolation guidelines. Individuals exposed to someone with COVID-19 are expected to follow CDC quarantine guidelines.
- Visitors will be restricted during the school day to essential personnel, such as volunteers or visitors for operational or academic support, parents, guardians, and grandparents.

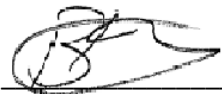
- Should the COVID-19 cases reach three (3) students (prek and elementary classroom) or five (5) percent or more of the total population of students and staff in an individual school building, the administration will closely monitor the situation to determine next steps.

Section 2: The Superintendent is hereby authorized, after consultation with the School Board Chair and notification to the School Board, to select and implement different health and safety measures for the School District or any specific school buildings without School Board action if the Superintendent reasonably believes that prompt implementation of different health and safety measures is necessary, and that constraints of time and public health considerations render it impractical to hold a School Board meeting to approve the implementation. The health and safety measures selected and implemented by the Superintendent shall continue in effect unless and until the School Board, in consultation with the Superintendent and appropriate school district staff and public health officials, deems it in the best interest of the School District and its students to implement different health and safety measures.

Section 3: The Superintendent will provide regular updates to the School Board regarding the School District's efforts to implement COVID-19 related educational and public health guidance issued by the MDE and the MDH, respectively.

Adopted this 23rd day of February 2022.

Roll Call Vote: Stephanie Malm, yes; Becky Beissel, yes; Carrie Tate, yes; Lisa Hedin, yes; Jessicca Dressley, yes; Mike Reis, yes; Brian Davis, yes



School Board Chair



School Board Clerk