# SAFETY PROTOCOLS

### Guidelines Approved by Jackie Phillips, Health Commissioner SAFETY & HEALTH IN OUR SCHOOLS

The safety and health of our students and staff is our number one priority. These general principles will guide MCSD as we move forward with reopening our schools:

- **1.MCSD** will implement recommended safety protocols to the best of our abilities to minimize risk.
- 2.MCSD will continue to work with the Middletown Health Commissioner to promote safety in each school building and with families.
- **3.MCSD** will be transparent with all stakeholders and communicate possible risks present with children and school district employees occupying school district facilities.
- 4.MCSD will revisit the safety guidelines regularly to ensure safety protocols are met as well as meet the current needs for safety of the staff and students.

#### Staff

- Required to self-assess their health conditions prior to coming to school;
- Required to wear face masks, when possible;
- Face shields will be used at staff members discretion during small group sessions with students;
- Engage in proper hand-washing throughout the school day;
- Daily sanitization of high traffic touch points (doorknobs, desks, tables, etc.).

#### Students

- We ask parents to self-assess their child's health conditions prior to sending them to school;
- Required to wear face mask (with safe mask breaks);
- Social/physical distance where possible;
- Engage in proper hand-washing throughout the school day.

#### Bus

- We ask parents to self-assess their child's health conditions prior to sending them to school;
- Required to wear face mask (drivers and students);
- Students will be assigned two to a seat when possible;
- Between and at the end of each bus route, all buses will be sanitized by drivers.

#### Cafeteria

- Breakfast provided to students in the classroom;
- We will eliminate the self serve line and provide boxed lunches to students who do not pack;
- Assigned seating;
- Sanitization of tables between and after lunch periods.

## WHAT CAN YOU DO AT HOME?

- Change and wash your student/s clothes when they get home.
- Wash hands for 20+ seconds.
- Wear a mask when you go out.
- Wipe down your student/s school supplies daily.

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