

## **Liberty Public Schools Safe to Return Plan 2022-2023**

The LPS Board approved Covid-19 Policy and Protocols call for and encourages mask wearing to the fullest extent allowed under Oklahoma Law for all staff, students, and visitors

Classes and buildings have been arranged so that cross contamination is minimized and cross traffic is curtailed. Rooms and furnishings have been modified in order to maximize spacing.

Handwashing and respiratory etiquette expectations are routinely addressed with students and staff and are part of the district's protocols addressed in policy.

25 new AC units are in the process of being installed featuring UV treatment of the return air to combat airborne contaminants. The routine cleaning schedule has been adjusted to ensure disinfection of surfaces.

LPS coordinates with the Tulsa County Health Department to ensure that we are using the suggested and approved guidelines for contact tracing and we are following the procedures they have communicated and participate in the reporting mechanism they provide.

LPS coordinates with the Tulsa County Health Department to refer our stakeholders and students for the purpose of them having access to diagnostic and screening testing for the Covid-19 virus. Measures are built into our protocols for dealing with symptomatic responses to student and staff who show signs of possible infection.

LPS uses the resources of county and state health departments to ensure staff and students are aware of local medical and pharmacy facilities where they can find vaccinations. The superintendent personally set up appointments and transportation for staff who indicated a desire for vaccinations.

The district's policy on Covid-19 responses and protocols begins with a paragraph that includes: "This document should not in any way be interpreted as disallowing of modifications for individual needs of the students and staff on a case-by-case basis. In all cases when a modification can be made for individuals without harming the overall safety and health of the whole, the modifications will be accommodated."

The LPS District works with and coordinates efforts with local county, state, Cherokee, and Creek Nation health officials in the ways listed above. The superintendent attends regular meetings with the Tulsa County Area Superintendents Association which holds regular meetings with Dr. Dart of the Tulsa County Health Department and communicates on a regular basis with Ashley Thompson, Tulsa County Health Department School Liaison.