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### Reopening Plan for 2022-2023 School Year

Seward Public Schools will again be open in the fall of 2022 for in-person teaching and learning. We will continue to work closely with the Four Corners Health Department and state officials if an outbreak of COVID-19 occurs within our schools. We will utilize only if needed the protocols that were put into place from our 2021-2022 reopening plan. Our goal is to have as much as a normal school year as possible, but we will communicate any changes that may need to be made throughout the school year. Thank you for your continued support of Seward Public Schools as we look forward to a great 2022-2023 school year.

### COVID-19 Vaccination:

Seward Public Schools is an active community partner with the Four Corners Health Department and other state and local public health leaders to promote COVID-19 vaccination. The summary below represents the strategies Seward Public School District will continue to use to support the overall public health message and strategy to vaccinate individuals against COVID-19.

- Regular parent, staff, and student email updates which include factual information regarding the safety and efficacy of the COVID-19 vaccine. This will include sharing public health recommendations to mitigate COVID-19 spread for vaccinated and unvaccinated individuals.
- Regular coordination with the Four Corners Health Department and Seward County Memorial Health Care Systems to assist with planning, coordinating, and communicating information related to community COVID-19 vaccine clinics.
- Provide flexibility to staff and students who need to miss work/school to gain access to a COVID-19 vaccine or in response to its short-term side effects.

### 2022-23 Core Protocols:

Seward Public Schools Covid-19 Mitigation Protocols	If needed Enhanced Protocols with Mitigation Protocols
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continue to request that students and staff self screen daily for COVID-19</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Will work with local health departments and ESU 6 during the</li> </ul>

symptoms using the self-screening protocol.

- Encourage and enable students and staff to frequently wash and sanitize hands.
- Promote appropriate coughing and sneezing etiquette.
- Utilize targeted enhanced cleaning protocols on high touch surfaces throughout each school and in school transportation vehicles.
- Continue to ensure students and staff who are sick stay home from school.
- Require anyone testing positive for COVID-19 to isolate for (5) days since onset of symptoms and symptoms have improved and the individual is fever free for at least 24 hours without fever reducing medication.
  
- Continue to assist local health department officials with contact tracing as necessary for COVID-19 exposures that occur on campus and at school activities or events.
- Follow directives from the local health department for someone who has been exposed to COVID-19 (e.g., potential quarantine, self-monitor, etc.).
- Communicate information about the COVID-19 vaccine and encourage students and staff to be vaccinated and where they can be vaccinated in Seward County.
- *Communicate about Covid case counts in our schools using the Covid Dashboard if needed.*
- Increase fresh air mixture into HVAC systems throughout all schools.
- Students with special needs will have access to all safety protocols discussed above as well as safety measures agreed to in the IEP.

summer months.

- Seward Public Schools will adjust protocols as necessary to address changing conditions. During the school year, protocols and requirements may change for a specific school building, program, classroom or setting based on the number of positive cases, outbreaks, community conditions and risk of spread.
- Seward Public Schools will collaborate with our local health department, and the department of education, to implement recommended measures to maintain in-person learning.