

ORCHARD VIEW SCHOOLS

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It's a great day...
to be a Cardinal!

Wednesday, August 4th, 2021

Dear Families and Staff:

We are so happy to see our local COVID-19 numbers decline this spring and summer and restrictions greatly reduced. We are looking forward to the upcoming school year!

I have received many questions about what school will look like for the 2021-2022 school year. This update will provide you with our plans as of today, which may change should we receive a public health order from CDC, MDHHS, and /or Public Health-Muskegon. Athletics will adhere to rules set forth by MDHHS and MHSAA.

General Information

What will our instructional model look like?

- All F2F (face to face) students will attend school full-time five days per week following the published school calendar: [2021-2022 calendar](#)

When does school start?

- Our first day with students is Tuesday, August 24, 2021. Expect more details from your child's school.

What is the cost of breakfast and lunch for the 2021-2022 school year?

- School breakfast and lunch will be provided free of charge; however, a la carte items (i.e., a cookie, a bag of chips, a bottle of water, etc.) will have to be purchased with funds through an established food service account.

Will Orchard View Schools offer a virtual option for students?

- Yes. We will continue to offer our Personalized Learning Academy. If you are interested in this option for your child, you should contact your child's school.

COVID-19 & Communicable Disease Protocols

Are face masks required at school?

- At this time, face masks will be optional and provided by parents/guardians.
- We strongly recommend that those who are unvaccinated wear a mask.

Will my child be required to get the COVID-19 vaccine in order to attend school?

- No. The COVID-19 vaccine is not listed on the School Required Vaccination List. For more information, please see: [School Required Vaccines for Parents by MDHHS](#)

Will you separate students who are vaccinated from students who are unvaccinated?

- No.

Will contact tracing continue?

- Schools are required to report communicable diseases to their local health department within 24 hours. Positive or probable COVID-19 cases will be reported to Public Health-Muskegon county as required by law.

Will Orchard View Schools quarantine students?

- We will partner with Public Health, but all quarantines will be issued by the student's resident health department.

Will student athletes need to be tested for COVID-19 to participate?

- No, not at this time. MDHHS and MHSAA lifted all requirements for student testing as of June 22, 2021.

When should I stay home?

- Students, staff, parents and community members who have symptoms of COVID or have been ordered to quarantine or isolate by the health department should not enter any OV building.

We look forward to a great school year.

Stay well!

Jim Nielsen

