

## Updated COVID-19 Protocols - FAQ as of March 7, 2022

Question	Answer
Will schools be keeping track of whether or not students should be wearing masks per parent instruction?	<i>No, this choice is between parents and students. Parents should discuss this at home with their children.</i>
Are recommendations for social distancing being lifted?	<i>Social distancing is not mandatory.</i>
Will there be changes to contact tracing protocols?	<i>No, these will remain the same.</i>
Do we still need seating charts for classes, lunch, etc?	<i>Yes.</i>
Do we continue to use desk shields in classrooms and cafeterias?	<i>Desks shields in the classrooms are optional and will remain optional for students. We will leave the shields up in the cafeterias.</i>
Will March parent-teacher conferences and other conferences such as 504 and IEP meetings be in-person?	<i>Yes they will be in person with the option for parents to attend remotely.</i>
Are parent volunteers permitted in the building?	<i>Yes. They will need to follow normal procedures established pre-COVID.</i>
Will outdoor lunch be offered when the weather permits?	<i>Outdoor lunch does not have to be offered. However, principals will make building level decisions based on space and programming.</i>
Do families and staff still need to complete the online health forms on their buildings' designated day(s)?	<i>No. Parents should continue to screen their children at home before school for symptoms. Staff should continue to screen themselves from home as well.</i>
If masking is optional, will schools still be responsible for passing out masks to students who request them?	<i>Schools will keep masks available for students.</i>
Will bell covers still be used in instrumental classes?	<i>Yes, we will continue to use bell covers.</i>
With masking now optional, can we allow access to water fountains again?	<i>No. Students/Staff can continue to use water filling stations.</i>
With masking now optional, can we allow access to bathroom sinks/stalls that have been restricted?	<i>Yes.</i>

If visitors are permitted in the building, do they have to show proof of vaccination or a negative COVID test?	No.
Can we have large indoor group events?	Yes.
Do staff who are not vaccinated need to continue to test weekly and continue reporting ?	Yes.
Will COVID testing at George Inness Annex from 4 to 6 PM continue on Tuesdays and Fridays?	Yes.
Will there be any additional COVID testing?	<i>Yes, there will be individual testing in school buildings during the school day. This will start around the end of March,</i>