

CARBONDALE COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL



**2021-2022
RETURN TO SCHOOL PLAN**

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CCHS SCHEDULE

- Carbondale Community High School is returning to full in-person learning for the 2021-2022 school year.
- Bell Schedule:

EB – 7:30am-8:20am
1st – 8:25am-9:25am
2nd – 9:30am-10:25am
3rd – 10:30am-11:25am
4th – 11:30am-1:00pm (including Lunch)
5th – 1:05pm-2:00pm
6th – 2:05pm-3:00pm

MASKS

- The Illinois Department of Public Health and the CDC have recommended that everyone, including fully vaccinated individuals, wear a mask in schools. Carbondale Community High School will require masks for all students, staff, and visitors to begin the 2021-22 school year.
- Each student will be provided with a cloth mask and disposable masks will be available at every entrance.
- Masks are not required outdoors on the CCHS campus.
- The mask policy may change dependent upon our local COVID positivity rates and vaccination rates. CCHS will consult with the Jackson County Health Department and communicate changes as necessary.

MASK DISCIPLINARY PROGRESSION (updated 8/24/2021)

- Masks must be worn at all times while in the building.
- Masks must cover both the mouth and nose.
- *1st offense - Removed from class/hallway and meet with an Administrator.*
 - If the student is able properly put it back on for Administrator, a warning is documented, and the student is sent to ACR until the next class period.
 - Student returns to class if the issue occurred in the hallways.



- *2nd offense - Removed from class/hallway and meet with an Administrator.*
-The student will serve the rest of the school day in ISS. A parent/guardian will be notified.
- *3rd offense - Removed from class/hallway and meet with an Administrator.*
-The student will be sent home and documented as OSS. The student will be placed on Social Suspension.
- *4th offense - Removed from class/hallway and meet with an Administrator.*
-The student will be sent home, documented as OSS, and serve 1 day of ISS upon return.
- *5th offense - Removed from class/hallway and meet with an Administrator.*
-The student will be sent home, documented as OSS, and serve 2 days of ISS upon return.

CLASSROOM SOCIAL DISTANCING

- The CDC recommends schools maintain at least 3 feet of physical distance between students within classrooms, combined with indoor mask wearing by people who are not fully vaccinated, to reduce transmission risk. When it is not possible to maintain a physical distance of at least 3 feet, it is especially important to layer multiple other prevention strategies, such as indoor masking, hand washing and proper cleaning to help prevent the spread of COVID.
- Desks in classrooms at CCHS will be spaced three feet apart or more when possible.
- Teachers will create seating charts for every class to be used for contact tracing.

BREAKFAST AND LUNCH

- Breakfast and Lunch tables will be located in the Cafeteria, in the Walnut Street Hallway (A/B/H/G/J Hall), and on two outdoor patios.
- No more than 4 students will be allowed to sit at a table to maximize physical distance between students.
- Each table will have designated spots that are at a maximum distance. Students will be required to sit at one of the designated spots at their table.
- Breakfast should be eaten in the Cafeteria or at designated tables around the building, not in classrooms.
- Students may remove their masks during breakfast and lunch while eating. Masks should be worn at all other times while indoors.



- All students must stay in their seats during Lunch until the bell rings to dismiss them to class.
- Frequently touched surfaces in the Cafeteria will be cleaned before and after breakfast and each lunch.

HALLWAYS AND COMMON AREAS

- Lockers will be assigned to students for their use.
- Students will be asked to continue walking during passing periods and not to congregate in common areas between classes.
- Students will be asked to maintain social distance in common areas (Hallways, Library, Restrooms, etc).
- The doors will be open at 7:20am for students in Early Bird classes.
- Students arriving before 8:00am should report to the Cafeteria if they do not have an Early Bird class.
- Students arriving after 8:00am can report to the Cafeteria for breakfast.
- Students not eating breakfast after 8:00am will be asked to report directly to their 1st hour class.
- 1st Hour begins at 8:25am.

TRANSPORTATION

- The CDC requires the wearing of masks by people on public transportation. School buses are included in this CDC requirement.
- Students will be required to wear a mask while riding the bus to or from school.
- Buses will not have capacity restrictions.

TECHNOLOGY

- All students will be issued a Chromebook. Students that have Chromebooks from the 2020-2021 school year will continue to use the machine assigned to them.
- Chromebook Distribution/Student Orientation Dates:
 - Freshmen/New Student Orientation – Tuesday, August 10, 2021
 - Sophomore/New Student Orientation – Wednesday, August 11, 2021



- Students will be required to bring their Chromebook and charger to school every day.
- Students that forget their Chromebook will be able to temporarily check one out from the Attendance Office.
- Lost or damaged Chromebooks may be replaced in the Attendance Office, but students may be subject to a fee for a replacement Chromebook.
- All teachers will maintain a virtual classroom (Google Classroom) to post information and assignments.

QUARANTINE

- Vaccinated, asymptomatic students and staff may not be subject to quarantine per the Jackson County Health Department.
- According to CDC close contact guidance, classroom students who were within 3 to 6 feet of a student that tests positive will not be treated as close contacts if both students are properly masked.
- If a student is quarantined due to potential Covid19 exposure, they will be placed on temporary Remote Learning until released by Jackson County Health Department.
- Students on Quarantine Remote Learning will have access to their classes through Google Classroom and Tyler .
- A CCHS administrator will contact all quarantined students and their parents/guardians at the beginning of the quarantine period to share information about internet and CCHS teacher access.
- Students on Quarantine Remote Learning will also have access to teachers:
 - Remote Learning Contact Teacher – Each quarantined student will be assigned to a teacher that will check in with them daily.
 - Virtual Terrier Tutoring – English, Math, and Science teachers will be available on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 3:15pm-4:45pm for help in those subjects.
 - CCHS Email – Students will also be able to contact their teachers by email for additional help.
- A CCHS Counselor will check in with students on quarantine at least once during their quarantine. CCHS Counselors will be available for virtual conferences with students.
- Students without internet access will be provided a portable internet hotspot for their use during quarantine. Students and parents can contact Mr. Ruiz, Assistant Principal, at 618-457-3371 x241 for help with internet access.
- Students on Quarantine Remote Learning will not join their classes live via video conference (Zoom).



- Students with extenuating medical circumstances may be placed in the CCHS Homebound Program with a signed medical release form from their medical doctor stipulating the time requested and reason for Homebound services.

SCHOOL NURSE

- The CCHS School Nurse is located in room B205. CCHS will have access to BinaxNOW Rapid Antigen Test.
- BinaxNOW Rapid Antigen testing is performed via nasal swab to individuals exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19 and provides rapid results (approximately 15 minutes' turnaround time) which help reduce exposure to the virus by more quickly identifying infected individuals.
- Covid-19 testing will be available in the Nurse's Office. The School Nurse will use the following process for implementing antigen testing:
 1. The individual will be escorted to the quarantine/testing area (B206).
 2. Parent/guardian will be contacted and if consent is given, the nurse will administer a rapid antigen test.
 3. If positive, the parent will immediately be contacted to pick up the child and they will be placed in the exclusion protocol. The Jackson County Health Department will be notified and contact tracing will begin for close contacts.
 4. If negative, further assessment is needed. The nurse will use clinical judgment and depending on symptoms, if the child feels well enough to return to class, they will be allowed to do so. The parent will be notified of the negative test results and advised to watch for any further symptoms.
 5. If the child feels that they are unable to return to class, the parent will be notified to pick up the child. The parent will be notified of the negative results and advised that if symptoms are still present the next day, they will need to stay home from school and follow up with a COVID-19 negative test within 48 hours before they return.

At this time, close contacts of positive cases will not be eligible to test out of quarantine; this guidance is provided by IDPH and JCHD and is subject to change.

ATHLETICS

- The CCHS Athletic Department will follow guidelines established by the IHSA in conjunction with IDPH. This includes the following information regarding masks:

Indoor Sports

- Masks are required for all indoor extracurriculars and sports to start the 2021-22 school year per state requirement. CCHS will continue to monitor this mandate and communicate changes to athletes and families as necessary.



Outdoor Sports

- In line with CDC guidance, masks are not required for activities outdoors where transmission risks and rates are lower. While masks may be removed during training, competition, and other active exercise according to the provisions above, it is important that, whenever possible, individuals who are not fully vaccinated continue to wear a mask during contacts with other unvaccinated individuals that do not occur during gameplay, such as on the sideline or bench, in the locker room, during team meetings, in the weight room, on the team bus or carpooling, or during meals, especially when indoors.
- Per CDC recommendations for schools, spectators at indoor sporting events must all wear a mask, regardless of vaccination status until further notice.
- Spectators at outdoor sporting events will not be required to wear a mask, but should practice social distancing.

OTHER HEALTH TOPICS

- According to the CDC, achieving high levels of COVID-19 vaccination among eligible students as well as teachers and staff is one of the most critical strategies to help schools safely resume full operations. Vaccination is currently the leading public health prevention strategy to end the COVID-19 pandemic. People who are fully vaccinated against COVID-19 are at low risk of symptomatic or severe infection.
- Evidence suggests that people who are fully vaccinated against COVID-19 are less likely to have an asymptomatic infection or transmit COVID-19 to others than people who are not fully vaccinated. In most settings, people who are fully vaccinated can safely resume activities they did before the pandemic, except where prevention measures are required by federal, state, or local laws.
- Students, teachers, and staff should stay home when they have signs of any infectious illness and be referred to their healthcare provider for testing and care.
- Hand sanitizer stations are installed at the entrance to every classroom.
- The CDC recommends that people practice handwashing and respiratory etiquette (covering coughs and sneezes) to keep from getting and spreading infectious illnesses. Frequent handwashing using soap and water for at least 20 seconds is recommended.
- The school will be thoroughly cleaned daily. According to the CDC, cleaning once a day is enough to sufficiently remove potential viruses that may be on surfaces. Daily disinfecting removes any remaining germs on surfaces, which further reduces any risk of spreading infection.
- Disinfecting spray and wipes will be available in classrooms for students wanting to clean their desks.
- Ventilation system upgrades have been installed throughout the building to improve airflow including roof top unit updates and additional windows.



- Vaccines are available at the Jackson County Health Department and at all local pharmacies. More information is available at vaccines.gov.

ALTERNATE CCHS BELL SCHEDULE

- If state and/or local Health Departments requires CCHS to stop in person instruction and close the building due to high positivity rates or other Covid-19 related metrics, CCHS will switch to remote learning.
- Remote Learning would take place via synchronous instruction over video conferencing software (Zoom, Team, Google Meets).
- The following bell schedule would be used Monday through Friday for Remote Learning:
 - EB – 7:30am-8:10am
 - 1st – 8:20am-9:00am
 - 2nd – 9:05am-9:45am
 - 3rd – 9:50am-10:30am
 - 4th – 10:35am-11:15am
 - 5th – 11:20am-12:00pm
 - 6th – 12:05pm-12:45pmAsynchronous Instruction & Office Hours – 1:15pm-3:00pm

Public Comment and Feedback

Please visit the CCHS web page to share any [feedback or comments](#) on the CCHS Return to School Plan. Comments and feedback will be accepted until September 6, 2021.

