

SOCIAL DISTANCING AND MASK PROTOCOLS

A presidential executive order still requires all bus riders to wear a mask.

Students will be seated 6 feet apart when possible. This will allow students who do not have mask waivers to remove their masks *(if they choose)* while seated for instruction. If 6 feet of social distancing is not possible, a minimum of 3 feet will be maintained, requiring masking of students without a mask waiver. Parents may request waivers for summer school.

Students who have existing mask waivers will not need a new waiver for summer school.

Plexiglass pods will not be utilized during summer school. A plexiglass barrier will be available for small-group instruction.

CLEANING AND HEALTH SAFETY PROTOCOLS

Students are expected to adhere to hygiene protocols *(handwashing and hand sanitizer)* and respiratory etiquette *(cover mouth with tissue or elbow when sneezing)*.

Water fountains remain off; students are encouraged to use water bottle filling stations.

Individuals who exhibit symptoms of illness should not attend school, even if they are fever-free.

Desks are sanitized between occupants, and high-touch areas are sanitized throughout the day.

HVAC systems provide complete fresh air exchange between 3-5 times an hour in all GCS facilities.

QUARANTINE/ISOLATION REQUIREMENTS

COVID-19 positive individuals must isolate for at least 10 days and until criteria for return is met *(symptom improvement and fever-free for 24 hours without fever-reducing medication)*.

Students should notify the school if they are exposed to COVID-19 or told to quarantine by a medical professional or public health agency.

Per DHEC regulations, students within 6 feet for 15 minutes or more of someone testing positive for COVID-19 are considered close contacts and must quarantine for 10 days.

Symptoms should be monitored during quarantine and a COVID-19 test obtained if symptoms of illness develop.

Fully vaccinated persons are not required to quarantine as long as they remain symptom-free.

VISITORS

Volunteer and visitors will be allowed at principal's discretion.

Volunteers and visitors will be required to follow the same procedures as GCS staff.