

WHAT FAMILIES CAN EXPECT WHEN OUR SCHOOLS REOPEN

The health and safety of our students, staff, and families is of utmost importance. When the 2020-2021 school year begins for Los Molinos Unified, on-campus school will look much different than previous years due to new health and safety measures. This is a summary for families of the guidelines that LMUSD will utilize for a safe reopening this fall. They are based on the best available public health data at this time, international best practices, and the practical realities of managing school operations.

The LMUSD guidance for safe reopening is adapted from guidance from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), California Department of Public Health, and California Department of Education (CDE), in collaboration with the Tehama County school/health planning committee consisting of regional school district superintendents. It was developed in collaboration with and reviewed by the Tehama County Health Director. The current guidance is based on direction provided in the existing Tehama County Public Health Order. As conditions and health orders change to address this ever-evolving situation, so will the guidance.

WHEN SCHOOLS RESUME IN THE FALL, THEY WILL LOOK DIFFERENT

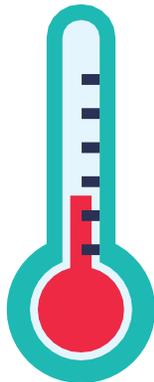
LMUSD will start the Fall school year with all students returning. Distance learning will be available to those families that wish to have their children remain at home. We all need to work together to ensure that these guiding principles are at the heart of every school reopening:

- Protect student, staff, and community health
- Foster student learning and progress
- Maintain positive learning environments
- Foster student emotional health
- Care for our most vulnerable populations



SCREENING AT HOME

- Families are recommended to take temperatures daily before going to school. Anyone with a fever of 100.0 or higher should not go to a school site.
- Students and adults should also screen themselves for respiratory symptoms such as cough and shortness of breath prior to coming to school each day. Students and adults experiencing those symptoms should not attend school.



ARRIVING AT SCHOOL

- Staff will be wearing face coverings. Students will arrive on buses as usual and with windows down when possible. Students should dress accordingly.
- Parents and visitors may have limited access to the school campus.
- Arrival times may vary depending on individual bus temperature checks.



HEALTH & SAFETY AT SCHOOL

HYGIENE

Each school will teach and reinforce hand washing with soap and water for at least 20 seconds and increase monitoring to ensure adherence among students and staff.

Schools will clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces (e.g., playground equipment, door handles, sink handles, drinking fountains) within the school and on school buses at least daily or between use as much as possible.

Schools will limit sharing of supplies between students and disinfect between uses if sharing is unavoidable.

Each student's personal belongings will be separated from others.



FACE MASKS

Schools will teach and reinforce the use of cloth face coverings in compliance with the current county health order and state mandate.

California Governor Gavin Newsom is still considering whether masks will be required for all students in the classroom. More information will be provided once a decision has been made.

SOCIAL DISTANCING

Social distancing will help limit the spread of the virus. We will use the following strategies to maintain smaller groups of students in shared spaces.

These may be modified in future health orders as the school year progresses.

- Modify bell schedules when possible
- Keep students in smaller groups
- Serve meals in small group settings
- Serve individually plated or boxed meals
- Where possible, keep student cohorts from mixing
- Stagger lunches, recesses, and other transition times
- Restrict visitors on campus
- Avoid hosting large gatherings such as assemblies, back to school nights, and dances





At this time, we are unsure if sports will continue for the Fall. We are waiting for guidance from CIF (California Interscholastic Federation) to properly determine the continued offerings of sports for each school in LMUSD. We are hopeful as we all understand how important extracurricular activities are for our students.

LEARNING MODELS FOR 2020-2021

Los Molinos Unified School District will offer the following options for the 2020-2021 School Year:

Tier 1 Onsite learning with modifications	Tier 2 Blended onsite/Distance learning	Tier 3 Distance Learning All online
Sustainable plan for the school year w/ minor ongoing modifications. All Students attend.	Not intended to be long term. If direction changes from TCPH (Tehama County Public Health, move to this stage.	As soon as possible, move to this Tier, orders from the State will determine this option.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Distance learning available upon request from parents. 		

STUDENT SUPPORTS

SOCIAL EMOTIONAL SUPPORT

We are committed to supporting students' social emotional wellness and offering resources to ensure that students transition back to school smoothly. Support may include social emotional learning, building relationships, community building activities, and increased access to mental health/wellness services. Families and schools will need to work together to check how students are feeling and assess their individual needs to provide the support our students need during these challenging times.



COVID-19 UPDATES

We created a section in our website under the “about us” tab area labeled COVID-19. Please check this page for updates as we move forward to reopening. <http://www.lmusd.net/>



This year has been a difficult time for all of us. No one can predict the course of the COVID-19 pandemic. LMUSD, like other districts across California and the country, is focused on planning for the return to school under various scenarios and working with our country and state partners in defining these efforts. We understand there will be many perceptions moving forward. Please understand, LMUSD has to adhere to all state and local mandates. Our goal is and will always be, to provide the best education for our students.

Stay safe everyone and enjoy your summer vacation,

Joey Adame
Superintendent