CARBONDALE COMMUNITY
HIGH SCHOOL

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CCHS SCHEDULE

• Carbondale Community High School is continuing full in person learning for the 2022-2023 school year.

• Bell Schedule:

  EB – 7:30am-8:20am
  1st – 8:25am-9:15am
  2nd – 9:20am-10:10am
  3rd – 10:15am-10:45am (Terrier Time)
  4th – 10:50am-11:40am
  5th – 11:45am-1:10pm (including Lunch)
  6th – 1:15pm-2:05pm
  7th – 2:10pm-3:00pm

MASKS

• The CDC recommends, but does not mandate, universal indoor masking in communities with high COVID-19 levels. Masks will be optional at CCHS unless required by the administration due to high transmission levels.

• Disposable masks will still be available at each entrance for students.

• Masks are not required outdoors on the CCHS campus.

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.

• 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.

• 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 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
• Masks will be optional at CCHS unless required by the administration due to high transmission levels.

• Buses will not have capacity restrictions.

TECHNOLOGY
• All students will be issued a Chromebook. Students that have Chromebooks from the 2021-2022 school year will keep them.

• Chromebook Distribution/Student Orientation Dates:
  o Freshmen/New Student Orientation – Tuesday, August 9, 2022

• 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 Media Center.

• Lost or damaged Chromebooks may be replaced in the Media Center, but students can be subject to a fee for a replacement Chromebook.

• All teachers will maintain a virtual classroom (Google Classroom) to post information and assignments.

ISOLATION/QUARANTINE
• CCHS will consult with the Jackson County Health Department (JCHD) on all matters regarding the isolation and quarantine of students and staff. Individuals who test positive for COVID-19 or who exhibit COVID-19 symptoms must be excluded from school for five (5) calendar days. (See the flowchart at the conclusion of this document.)

• If a student is quarantined or isolated due to potential Covid19 exposure or positive test, they will be placed on temporary Remote Learning until their quarantine is ended by the Jackson County Health Department.

• Students on Quarantine Remote Learning will have access to their classes through Google Classroom.

• 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 have access to their teachers through email and Google Classroom. CCHS Counselors will also be available by email.
• Students without internet access will be provided a portable internet hotspot for their use during quarantine. Students and parents can contact Mr. Graham, Curriculum Director at 618-457-3371 x255 for help with internet access.

• Students on Quarantine Remote Learning will not join their classes live via video conference (Zoom).

SCHOOL NURSE
• The CCHS School Nurse is located in room B206. CCHS will have access to BixaxNOW Rapid Antigen Tests.

• Covid-19 testing will be available in the Nurse’s Office. The School Nurse will use the following process for implementing antigen testing:

  1. Student/staff presents with new onset symptoms including any one of the following:
     ● Fever
     ● Headache
     ● Myalgia
     ● Cough
     ● Nasal congestion/runny nose
     ● Sore throat
     ● Fatigue
     ● New loss of taste or smell
     ● Shortness of breath
     ● Abdominal pain
     ● Diarrhea
     ● Nausea/Vomiting
     ● Poor appetite

  2. The individual will be taken to quarantine area

  3. Parent/guardian will be contacted and if consent is given, the nurse will administer a rapid antigen test.

  4. 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.

  5. 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.

  6. 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 RT-PCR test within 48 hours before they return.

ATHLETICS
• The CCHS Athletic Department will follow the Covid-19 safety policies set forth by the Illinois High School Association (IHSA).
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-12:45pm  

  Async Instruction & Office Hours – 1:15pm-3:00pm
COVID-19 Return to School Flowchart 2022-2023 School Year

Note: This chart is provided for informational purposes only. The IDPH strongly recommends medical evaluation and testing for all persons with COVID-like symptoms. The School District should notify its local public health department with the name of any student or employee with a confirmed COVID-19 test or who is suspected of having COVID-19. The District should coordinate with the person’s physicians regarding the date the person will be eligible and safe to return to school.

Person has symptoms of COVID-19

Symptom-Based Strategy
May return after:
- At least 5 days and a maximum of 10 days have passed since symptoms first appeared; AND
- At least 24 hours with no fever without fever-reducing medication; AND
- Diarrhea/vomiting have ceased for 24 hours; AND
- Symptoms have improved.
When returning after 5 days, you are encouraged to wear a mask at all times and, to the extent possible, maintain 6 feet apart from anyone when eating/mask is off.

Test-Based Strategy
May return after:
- A negative COVID-19 diagnostic test (PCR, Rapid Antigen or home test) within 48 hours after symptom onset; AND
- Symptoms have improved or resolved and the criteria to return for that illness is met
If person tests positive, follow the second scenario below for a positive test.

Alternative Cause Strategy
May return after:
- Receive doctor’s note diagnosing an alternative illness and confirming there is no clinical suspicion for COVID-19 infection; AND
- Meet criteria to return for that illness.

Tested positive for COVID-19

Regardless of vaccination status, may return to school after:
- A minimum of five days have passed since symptoms first appeared (or positive test collection date); AND
  - Asymptomatic OR at least 24 hours with no fever without fever-reducing medication; AND
  - Diarrhea/vomiting have ceased for 24 hours, and symptoms have improved.
  - The individual is encouraged to wear a mask at all times and, to the extent possible, maintain 6 feet apart from anyone when eating/mask is off
- A maximum of ten days have passed since symptoms first appeared (or positive test).*


*If the case is severe, the person should consult with their physician to determine when it is safe to return.