



KENILWORTH
SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY SCHOOL

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2022-2023

OPERATIONAL
GUIDELINES

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Introduction

Welcome back to Kenilworth Science and Technology School (KST) for the 2022-23 school year! We're glad to have your family join us for another exciting and engaging school year filled with learning, opportunity, and fun. Due to current conditions surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic and guidance provided by the LDOE (Louisiana Department of Education), CDC (Center for Disease Control and Prevention), and LDH (Louisiana Department of Health), Kenilworth will return to face-to-face instruction only for the 2022-2023 school year.

We couldn't be more excited to see all of our students back to campus to learn together this year. As always, Kenilworth is focusing our efforts on providing an excellent educational experience for students that supports their social, emotional, and academic growth. Additionally, to keep members of our Kenilworth community as safe as possible during on-campus learning, Kenilworth also will continue to implement a comprehensive set of COVID-19 safety protocols, which are highlighted in the pages of this guidebook. To ensure a safe and productive school year for each member of our Kenilworth community, administrators, staff members, parents and students are expected to follow these guidelines throughout the 2022-2023 school year. Please note, this guidance cannot anticipate every unique situation. Kenilworth will continue to consult available guidance from government agencies and other information deemed relevant to monitor the situation. Kenilworth will continue to comply with applicable federal and state laws, as well as school safety and accessibility standards to address individual needs.

Overview Of School Wellness Protocols

Our goal is to provide a clean, safe and healthy environment to all of our staff and students. We will implement the following practices to minimize the risk in all of our school buildings;

- Using enhanced air filters to increase the air quality in buildings.
- Providing touchless faucets in bathrooms to minimize the risks.
- Maintaining physical distancing to the extent possible in classrooms and common areas.
- Cleaning, sanitizing and disinfecting of facilities.
- Encouraging personal hygiene
- Providing face masks (wear optional).
- Providing PPE upon request.
- Recommending vaccinations.
- Providing rapid COVID-19 testing every week.

Curriculum & Instruction

- Students will attend school in person, five days a week.
- Teachers will provide in-person learning. In-person learning will include hands-on activities, small group projects and intervention, station rotations and teacher one-on-one support etc.
- KST anticipates all extracurricular activities to resume for students, including academic clubs, athletics, fine arts, UIL, competitions, etc.
- KST will diagnose students for learning loss that may have occurred during the COVID-19 pandemic and will provide intervention plans to address student learning needs.

- The KST learning loss intervention plan will include regular Response to Intervention (RTI) system
- implementation, after school tutoring, and small group instruction, as well as summer school options.
- We will continue to provide rigorous instruction with differentiated options for students and an emphasis on college and career readiness

Student Covid Protocols

Keeping our students safe from exposure to COVID19 is one of our top priorities for the 2022-23 school Year. The following procedures have been implemented in the event a case of COVID-19 occurs on campus:

- If a student exhibits COVID-19 symptoms, teachers will send the student to the school nurse. The school nurse will communicate with parents/guardians and the student(s) will be sent home. Students will be required to wear a mask and remain in the clinic or quarantine area until parent/guardian pick up. Student(s) will not return to school until clearance is given by the school nurse.
- For a student who is symptomatic, to return to school one of the following must be met and submitted to the nurse:
 - Obtain a negative COVID-19 test, and 24 hours have passed since symptoms resolved;
 - At least 24 hours have passed since recovery, defined as resolution of fever, diarrhea, or vomiting without the use of suppressing medications such as Tylenol or fever reducers
 - Symptoms have improved; and at least 5 days have passed since symptoms first appeared.
- For students who are positive for COVID-19, the following must be met to return to campus:
 - The student must quarantine no less than 5 days from the date of positive testing, AND; The student must be free of fever, vomiting, or diarrhea for 24 hours without use of symptom suppressing medications.
- Families will self-report within 48 hours to the health staff if their child(ren) tested positive
- Families are responsible for notifying attendance, in no more than 3 days after return to school from any illness, of the student's absence.
- Positive cases will be reported to the local health department as required

Close Contact Protocol

According to current CDC guidance for schools, all close contacts in grades Pre K-12 may remain at school by taking the following steps (regardless of vaccination status):

- 1.. Students who were exposed to COVID-19 should wear a mask as soon as they find out they were exposed to a positive individual
 - Day "0" is the day of last exposure to someone with COVID-19; Day "1" is the first full day after last exposure to someone with COVID-19
 - Contact tracing is done at school and the parents of any close contacts (students) are notified by the school nurse (they will not have to quarantine per CDC guidelines).

2. Students who were exposed to COVID-19, should continue to wear a mask for 10 full days

- Students and their family should watch for possible COVID-19 symptoms (these may include, but are not limited the following):
 - ★ Fever of 100.4 or greater
 - ★ Cough and/or shortness of breath
 - ★ Fatigue and/or body aches
 - ★ Headache
 - ★ Loss of taste or smell
- If a student experiences any potential COVID-19 symptoms, they should immediately self-isolate (regardless of vaccination status). Please contact your child's primary care provider for next steps (consider COVID-19 testing).

3. It is recommended that your student get tested at least 5 full days after their last exposure (even if they do not develop symptoms)

- If test results are positive, student will follow isolation guidance (<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/your-health/isolation.html>) and parents will notify the school nurse

COVID Testing/Vaccinations

We are working with LDH to offer free weekly COVID-19 testing opportunities for both students and staff. Additional details and consents will be released to parents and staff after the start of the 2022-2023 school year.

All eligible students and staff are encouraged to get vaccinated. If you need information or options, please contact our school nurse. You can also visit LDH at <https://ldh.la.gov/coronavirus/> for more information.

Air Filtration

All classes will use a HEPA Air Purifier during school hours. We will assure ventilation systems operate properly at all times

Sanitization / Hygiene

All recommended hygiene protocols will be followed, including frequent handwashing, hand sanitizing, covering sneezes and coughs, etc. Regular cleaning and sanitization will continue, including periodic cleaning of school facilities. High touch surfaces will undergo cleaning with a commercially available cleaning solution, including EPA approved disinfectants, at least twice per day (including bathrooms). School employees/students will be provided with adequate access to hygienic supplies, including: soap, hand sanitizer (with at least 60% alcohol), disinfectant wipes and/or spray, paper towels, and tissues. Face masks/shields will be provided upon request. We will post signs in highly visible locations (such as

school entrances, restrooms) that promote everyday protective measures and describe how to limit the spread of germs.

COVID Symptom Monitoring

Staff, students, and visitors with symptoms must stay home. Each morning, parents should monitor their children for symptoms and ensure no other family member(s) at their home are ill before sending them to school. Each morning, school staff will monitor themselves for symptoms and ensure that no other family member(s) at their home are ill before reporting to the school campus.

Meals & Cafeteria

Because masks aren't always a viable option while eating, Kenilworth will implement a few additional safety measures during breakfast and lunch times to help prevent the spread of germs and viruses, while still allowing students to eat together and socialize with their school peers.

- Physical distancing is recommended to the extent possible.
- Students will not be allowed to share food or utensils.
- Students will sanitize their hands before and after eating.
- Kenilworth will maintain administration and adult supervision/presence in the cafeteria to reinforce mealtime safety measures.
- Cafeteria teams will continue to clean and sanitize dining areas to include tables, seats, and floors as time allows in between meal services.

Visitors

Kenilworth understands and values the importance that a community of caring adults can have on our students' success. This includes parents, extended family members, community partners, and the countless volunteers who dedicate their time to our schools and students each year. In limited circumstances, Kenilworth will return to allowing some of these in-person visits to campus under the following conditions.

- At principals' discretion, volunteers are permitted on campus as needed for school projects, meetings, and events.
- Volunteers with COVID-19 symptoms should NOT enter school buildings or offices.
- Volunteers should stay in designated areas and follow all campus protocols.

Other Measures

- To prevent the spread of germs by mouth contact, Kenilworth is strongly requesting that neither students nor team members drink directly from water fountains, and instead bring reusable water bottles to campus each day.
- Students are encouraged to bring their own filled reusable clear water bottle to use throughout the day and take water bottles home on a daily basis to be cleaned.
- Face masks are optional while traveling in a school bus. Physical distancing is recommended to the extent possible.
- Physical distancing is recommended to the extent possible in the hallways.

Important & Useful Information

LDOE Guidelines:

https://louisianabelieves.com/docs/default-source/ready-to-achieve/ready-to-achieve!-2022-2023-school-operational-guidelines.pdf?sfvrsn=737f6718_48

CDC Guidance for Schools:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/schools.html>

Louisiana Department of Health Website:

<http://ldh.la.gov/Coronavirus/>

Providing Feedback

You can submit feedback on this opening plan by

- Calling our front office at 225-766 8111
- Sending an email to info@kenilworthst.org
- Filling out our KST Communicate form at <https://www.kenilworthschool.org/contact>