

Holdingsford Schools Return to School Details

The Holdingsford School District believes that in-person learning is best for students' learning and overall student well-being. We acknowledge that the threat of the Coronavirus has placed great difficulties on us all. The Holdingsford School District is committed to providing a safe and healthy place for all students to learn and grow. Holdingsford Schools and Holdingsford families are in a partnership to provide a safe environment. As a partner, Holdingsford will continue to provide information to families as requested by public health entities.

Subject to change at any time based on the presence of illness in our school and community, as well as requirements of the Minnesota Department of Health and the Minnesota Department of Education.

Home Health Screenings:

Parent-/self-screening for symptoms of illness will be required. Please monitor your children carefully and **keep them home when they are sick**. Be particularly observant for fevers of 100.4°F or higher and/or a new or worsening cough. We will once again be using the MDH Decision Tree as a guide. If you have questions or concerns at any time, please do not hesitate to reach out to the school nurses.

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/symptoms-testing/symptoms.html>

It is the belief of the Holdingsford administration and health staff this was key to keeping our students healthy last school year. We ask for continued diligence in the upcoming school year.

Face Coverings:

MDH, MDE, and CDC guidelines recommend masks, and Holdingsford School District has made the decision they will be OPTIONAL ALTHOUGH ENCOURAGED. Staff and students may choose to wear a mask.

It is very important for all of our Husker school/community members to be respectful of each other's choices. Any reported instances of mask shaming/bullying will be handled by staff/administration.

Staff will once again be encouraged to take learning breaks outside. This practice was very well received last year and will continue during the 21-22 school year.

Masks are required on our school buses to and from school and include activities through January 18th (Federal mandate). Holdingsford School District is asking students who ride the bus to have his/her own supply of face coverings for riding the bus. If a student forgets on

Vaccines:

Holdingsford Schools is not requiring vaccinations for students, staff, or visitors/volunteers. Staff and students may voluntarily provide us vaccination status for record.

Vaccinated students and staff will not be required to quarantine unless showing symptoms. Unvaccinated students and staff will only be required to quarantine if there is close contact with a person in the household.

COVID Testing: