

# Health & Safety Task Force

## Recommendations and Guidelines- Gymnasium, Auditorium/Large Group Instruction, Hallways

### Gymnasium/Locker Rooms

1. All involved will promote healthy hygiene practices such as hand washing (20 seconds with warm water and soap). Hand Sanitizer will be available for use as resources allow.
2. School personnel will intensify cleaning, disinfection, and ventilation in all areas.
3. During warm-ups, non-physical activity, or classroom discussions, social distancing guidelines will be followed. Social distancing guidelines will be maximized during classroom activities.
4. Clothing, including pinnies, will NOT be shared at any time.
5. No sharing of equipment during individual activities (e.g., paddles, gloves). During group activities (e.g., dodgeball, basketball, volleyball), equipment (including balls) will be sanitized periodically and at a minimum, at the end of the activity.
6. The use of the locker room will be limited. Students will be permitted into the locker room to change while maintaining social distancing. The number of people in the locker room at any time will be limited to the amount possible to comply with proper social distancing guidelines.
7. Drinks or food will NOT be shared. Each person will have their own individual water bottle.
8. Entry only and Exit only doorways will be established. One point of entry and one point of exit. Each doorway will be equipped with hand sanitizers as resources allow.
9. The training room, including the ice machine, will be available to authorized personnel only, except for cases of emergency need. Only authorized individuals may enter the area.
10. Personal Protective Equipment (gloves, face coverings\*, eye protection) will be used as needed as situations warrant or determined by local/state governments. ***\*Please see the note at the end of this document regarding face coverings and social distancing guidelines.***
11. Staff and students who may be at a higher risk of severe illness from COVID-19 due to underlying medical conditions will be identified. (See - CDC “People Who are at a Higher Risk for Severe Illness”)
12. During PA state yellow phase, groupings will be limited to 25 or less. During PA state green phase, groupings will not exceed 250 people. These restrictions will be modified based on state/local or CDC guidelines and recommendations.
13. No sharing of whistles, stopwatches, or other devices, including electronic devices.

## **Auditorium/Large Group Instruction Areas**

1. All involved will promote healthy hygiene practices such as hand washing (20 seconds with warm water and soap. Hand Sanitizer will be available for use as resources allow.
2. School personnel will intensify cleaning, disinfection, and ventilation in all areas.
3. Social Distancing guidelines will be maintained.
4. Equipment, Instruments, and devices, including electronic devices, will NOT be shared.
5. Entry only and Exit only doorways will be established. One point of entry and one point of exit for all personnel. Each doorway will be equipped with hand sanitizers as resources allow.
6. Personal Protective Equipment (gloves, face coverings\*, eye protection) will be used as needed as situations warrant or determined by local/state governments. *\*Please see the note at the end of this document regarding face coverings and social distancing guidelines.*
7. Staff and students who may be at a higher risk of severe illness from COVID-19 due to underlying medical conditions will be identified. (See - CDC “People Who are at a Higher Risk for Severe Illness”)
8. During PA state yellow phase, groupings will be limited to 25 or less. During PA state green phase, groupings will not exceed 250 people. These restrictions will be modified based on state/local or CDC guidelines and recommendations.

## **Hallways**

1. All involved will promote healthy hygiene practices such as hand washing (20 seconds with warm water and soap. Hand Sanitizer will be available for use as resources allow.
2. School personnel will intensify cleaning, disinfection, and ventilation in all areas.
3. While in hallways, social distancing guidelines will be maintained to the extent possible. When walking in hallways, everyone should walk on the right side of the hallway in one direction to assist in maintaining social distancing guidelines.
4. No stopped congregations or groups of people in the hallway is permitted.
5. The use of lockers between class periods may be restricted and limited to assist in maintaining social distancing guidelines.
6. Students should report from one class to the next class utilizing the most direct route possible. Restroom and locker visits

\*Guidance regarding face coverings and social distancing as per the Pennsylvania Department of Health and the Department of Education issued July 16, 2020.

<https://www.education.pa.gov/Schools/safeschools/emergencyplanning/COVID-19/SchoolReopeningGuidance/ReopeningPreKto12/PublicHealthGuidance/Pages/default.aspx>

***“All students must wear a face covering (cloth mask or face shield) that covers their nose and mouth inside the school and while outside when physical distancing is not feasible”***

***“Children two years and older are required to wear a face covering unless they have a medical or mental health condition or disability, documented in accordance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act or***

***IDEA, that precludes the wearing of a face covering in school. Accommodations for such students should be made in partnership with the student’s health care provider, school nurse and IEP/504 team.”***

***“Face coverings may be removed to eat or drink during breaks and lunch periods; however, at those times social distancing must be practiced.”***

***“Staff are not required to wear a face covering in situations where wearing a face covering creates an unsafe condition to operate equipment or execute a task.”***

***“.....protocols for distancing student desks/seating and other social distancing practices that allows at least 6 feet of separation among students and staff throughout the day to the maximum extent feasible.”***