



2021-22 Waverly-Shell Rock Return to Learn Plan

The Waverly-Shell Rock Community School District plans to begin the 2021-22 school year in the traditional (pre-pandemic) in-person learning model for all students and staff. We will continue to follow directives from public health officials and the State and, if necessary, adjust our plan accordingly.

Items of note:

- Face coverings—Face coverings will not be required in school buildings. However, anyone who wishes to wear one is welcome to do so. It is important to note that face covering **will be required** on school buses, as per federal executive transportation order #13998.
- Hand washing—We will continue to encourage proper and regular hand washing/hygiene.
- Cleaning/disinfecting—We will maintain certain cleaning/sanitizing procedures that were put in place last year.
- Vaccinations—Schools are prohibited from requiring that individuals be vaccinated to enter a school facility, so they will not be required of any students, staff, or visitors.
- Quarantining—School districts have no authority to quarantine students or staff, so we will not be doing so. In addition, the IDPH is not currently issuing isolation and quarantine orders for COVID-19 positive or COVID-19 exposed individuals.
- Staying home when ill—Students and staff should stay home any time they are ill.
- How long must COVID-19 positive students, teachers, or other staff members stay home? COVID-19 positive persons can return to normal activities after:
 - 10 days since symptoms first appeared and
 - 24 hours with no fever without the use of fever-reducing medications and
 - Other symptoms of COVID-19 are improving*

*Loss of taste and smell may persist for weeks or months after recovery and need not delay the end of isolation

The Iowa Department of Public Health COVID-19 update for schools can be found [here](#).

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