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## **Zuni Public School District Safe Return to Full Face-to-Face Instruction FAQs**

### **What will the schools be doing to keep my child safe upon re-entry?**

- All ZPSD school sites have met, and in many cases are exceeding current state compliance standards. State inspectors or their appointed representatives have visited all of our school sites and approved them to reopen.
- ZPSD requires social distancing and mask wearing. Signage to facilitate social distancing and mask mandates has been posted throughout every building, and these requirements will be strictly enforced.
- Classroom spaces have been modified to ensure 6 feet of social distancing when possible.
- Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) is available at all ZPSD sites.
- Every building has hand sanitizer and soap/water to ensure proper hand sanitizing/washing.
- ZPSD maintains PPE, cleaning and sanitizing supplies that all school sites can request at any time.
- ZPSD has installed portable air filtration units in all classrooms.

### **Is it mandatory that my child returns to in-person learning?**

- No. Parents/Guardians have the option to keep their child in remote learning. This decision is strictly voluntary.

### **What do I do if I want my child to return to in-person learning?**

- Parent/Guardian and the student must go to their respective school site and fill out the required enrollment documents.
- The Parent/Guardian and student must read and sign the in-person ZPSD contract.
- The Parent/Guardian and student must attend their respective school site's mandatory Zoom meeting(s).

**Will my child be provided a mask?**

- Students will receive two ZPSD face masks when they fill out the enrollment documents.

**Does my child need to take their district-issued computer device to school with them?**

- Yes, students must bring their district-issued computer device fully charged each day. They must also bring the device charger to be used in the event the device needs to be charged.

**How will janitorial staff keep up with sanitizing demands with students and staff being on campus full time?**

- All schools are required to maintain adequate supplies and implement daily cleaning protocols. While we now know that surface transmission is rare and that airborne respiratory droplets drive the spread of COVID-19, students and staff will continue washing hands frequently, and facilities will be thoroughly and regularly cleaned.

**How will cafeteria procedures be affected?**

- Eating and drinking are high-risk activities for spreading the virus. For that reason, students must be physically separated to the extent possible while eating meals. School sites will spread students out to eat in libraries, gyms, and other larger, well-ventilated areas.
- Due to the number and age of the student at Shiwi Ts'ana Elementary, our youngest students will eat breakfast and lunch in the classrooms. Each desk will be fitted with an individual protective screen to maximize safety during mealtimes.

**What if staff or students get sick?**

- Ensuring strict adherence to the COVID-safe practices outlined in the student contract is the best defense in mitigating community spread within schools. In addition, each school has established an isolation room. A student or staff member who begins exhibiting COVID-19-like symptoms will go there without interacting with anyone except the isolation room monitor. The symptomatic individual should remain in the isolation room until a parent or guardian can transport the individual safely away from the facility.

**Will my child be safe?**

- Schools have in place protocols like mask-wearing, social distancing, and appropriate air filtration upgrades to greatly reduce the likelihood of viral spread. Additionally, while children can and do contract COVID-19, with very few exceptions their cases are mild compared to adult cases