

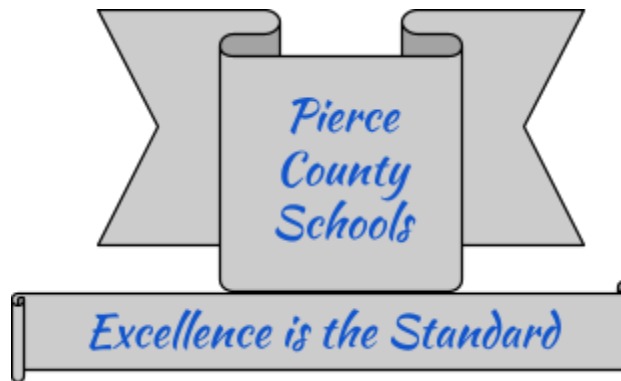


*Pierce County Schools
Reopening Plan
2021-2022*



The Pierce County School System will safely open school on Wednesday, August 4, 2021. All students are scheduled to return under a traditional, face-to-face model in our school buildings. Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, we are implementing additional measures to provide a safe learning environment for our students and staff. We encourage students to take advantage of the traditional, face-to-face instruction in our schools.

The Pierce County School System will follow guidance from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), Georgia Department of Public Health (DPH), and Georgia Department of Education (GaDOE). The information below summarizes the steps we are taking to safely open school as scheduled.



<i>Reopening Safely Plan</i>	
First Day of School	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wednesday, August 4, 2021
Open House August 2, 2021	<p>Limit visitors to two per household in addition to the student. Wearing a mask is highly recommended and we ask you that you practice social distancing. Any daily medications for students should be signed in by a parent or guardian to the school nurse clinic during Open House.</p> <p>Elementary Schools Grades PreK-5</p> <p>11:00 - 12:00 Household Last Names A-G 12:00 - 1:00 Household Last Names H-Q 1:00 - 2:00 Household Last Names R-Z</p> <p>Pierce County Middle School (6th Grade Only)</p> <p>3:00 - 4:00 Household Last Names A-K 4:00 - 5:00 Household Last Names L-Z</p> <p>Pierce County High School (9th Grade Only)</p> <p>5:00 - 6:00 Household Last Names A-K 6:00 - 7:00 Household Last Names L-Z</p>
Assemblies/Large Group Gatherings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assemblies/Large gatherings during the school day are on hold until further notice.

<p>Cafeteria</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● No keypads, salad bars, or self-service that includes multiple students touching one serving utensil will be used. ● Pierce County Middle School will stagger lunch schedules so that fewer students are at lunch at one time to allow for social distancing. ● Pierce County High School will increase the number of lunches in their schedule and spread lunch tables out to allow for social distancing.
<p>Communication</p>	<p>Back to school communication will be shared through Facebook, Livingtree, Pierce County School System’s district and school websites.</p>
<p>Extracurricular Activities/ Athletics</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Athletics will follow GHSA recommendations. ● Extracurricular/Academic clubs will follow CDC, DPH, and GaDOE guidelines.
<p>Field Trips</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Field trips will be allowed only if safety measures can be implemented
<p>Safe and Healthy Schools Procedures</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Parents should pre-screen students before sending them to school or bus stops each day. Any student with a measured temperature of 100.4 or higher or any COVID-19 symptoms should not be sent to school. They will be sent home if they come to school with symptoms. ● All employees should screen their temperature daily. Employees should not report to work if they have a measured temperature of 100.4 or higher. ● All classrooms will be supplied with hand sanitizer and disinfectant. ● Best practices for hand washing and social distancing will be implemented. ● Masks - Everyone is strongly encouraged to wear masks especially in high traffic areas. ● Custodial staff will be provided disinfecting equipment and supplies. ● Classrooms, cafeterias and high-traffic areas will be sanitized frequently. ● Contact among students will be limited as much as possible.

<p>Transportation</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Parents may opt to transport students. ● Parents should check their child’s temperature daily and not send students to a bus stop if he/she has a measured temperature of 100.4 or higher. ● Buses will be sanitized between routes. ● Hand sanitizer will be available on all buses. ● Drivers, additional staff, and students are highly encouraged to wear masks, as social distancing cannot be achieved on buses. ● Assigned seats with students from the same household sitting together will be enforced on the bus.
<p>Visitor Procedures</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Volunteer programs are on hold until further notice. ● Visitors will be limited and will be screened for temperature. ● No one with a measured temperature of 100.4 or higher will be allowed in the schools. ● When visiting our buildings, wear a mask.
<p>School Options</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● First day of school will be August 4, 2021 in a traditional, face to face format for all students enrolled in the Pierce County School System. ● A Virtual Learning Option is available for students to take classes through GA Virtual School or other Virtual School of the parents choice but the student will no longer be enrolled in the Pierce County School System.
<p>Quarantines</p>	
<p>All Pierce County Schools will implement CDC and DPH quarantine guidelines for close contacts as well as guidelines for students and faculty who test positive for COVID-19.</p>	