

Fairview Elementary School

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To: Fairview Families **From:** A. Hege, Principal

Memo: Updated School Operations

Date: February 22, 2022

On February 21, 2022, the Guilford County Schools board of education voted to remove the mandatory mask mandate for staff and students that attend Guilford County Schools. You can read the briefing here: https://www.gcsnc.com/site/default.aspx?PageType=3&DomainID=4&ModuleInstanceID=174&ViewID=6 446EE88-D30C-497E-9316-3F8874B3E108&RenderLoc=0&FlexDataID=160969&PageID=1 . With this decision, Fairview Elementary is updating its school operations to reflect these specific changes. The following enhancements and updates will go into place on Tuesday, February 22, 2022.

Facemasks

• Face-coverings are optional for both staff and scholars. Due to the current CDC recommendations, scholars must still wear a face-covering if they are riding public transportation (school bus) in the morning or afternoon.

School Visitors

- To continue and ensure safety for scholars and staff, we will utilize the buzzer for communication with all visitors. When you come to the front door, ring the buzzer and an office staff member will talk to you through speaker.
- No visitor, parent or guardian will be allowed to enter the building and/or classroom during instructional time. If you need to speak with your child, your child will be brought to the front office during non-instructional time.
- For safety purposes, no parent, visitor or guardian will be allowed to walk their child to their classroom under any circumstance. If your child needs assistance getting to class upon arrival, school staff will assist. In the GCS handbook, no visitors are allowed to distract the teacher from instruction or interrupt the instructional process at any school.

Volunteers

• To volunteer at any GCS school, you first need to complete the online Criminal Background Check prior to working with scholars in any capacity. Mrs. Pam Greene works with our volunteers at Fairview Elementary. Please contact the school and ask for Pam Greene if you have interests in Volunteering and need more information.

School Cleaning

• Custodial staff is on a rotation to sanitize classrooms and touchpoints each day. Tables and desks will be cleaned and sanitized properly at the end of each day, after school.

Child Sickness

- It is best practice to keep your child home if they are not feeling well. If this is the case, please contact the front office.
- If your child isn't feeling well during the school day, school personnel will assess the child and contact parent/guardian for a pick-up if needed.

Transportation

- Scholars' aren't allowed to be picked up from the front office past 1:30pm. This helps with making sure we can get all our scholars into the right area before dismissal begins.
- If you have a change in transportation for your child, please send in a note with your child to give to the front office/teacher and/or call the front office at 336-819-2890. Please do NOT text or call your scholars cell phone as this disrupts the learning environment and is a safety concern.

Cell Phones

• Please monitor your child's cell phone regularly. Each morning, teachers ask scholars to place cell phones in their bookbags for the day and they can be pulled back out at 2:20pm or when scholars are off campus. If a child is seen on their phone during the day, per the GCS handbook, their phone will be confiscated, and a parent will need to pick the phone up. On the second time that a scholar is seen with their phone out for the instructional day, the school can hold the phone up to five days, depending on principals' discretion.

As a principal, my goal is simple, to ensure that your child is safe and receiving high-level instruction each day while they are attending Fairview Elementary. Thank you for your continued partnership and support of Fairview Elementary, especially during the last two years where we have all tried to navigate the unknown. As we enhance our school operations to reflect the necessary COVID-19 changes, our vision and mission stays the same that we want to enhance life outcomes and raise achievement for all scholars with integrity, excellence and teamwork.

Should you have any specific questions, you can contact the main office at 336-819-2890.

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