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LOOKING AHEAD

- 1/28 – Picture Day
- 2/15 – No School



STUDENT SNAIL MAIL

(Important papers / forms coming home this week)

- School Picture Order Forms

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

None this week!



Happy to Have Students Back!

K/1 class busy learning with Covid safety measures in place.



PreK picking up their lunches. So nice to have our kitchen!!



BACK TO SCHOOL REMINDERS

- Recess
 - If it is above 20 degrees students will go outside for recess.
 - Please make sure students dress appropriately: gloves, hats, boots, etc. *This year students cannot borrow items from the loaner bin due to COVID so please send them with their warm outdoor gear.*
- Lunch
 - School lunches are provided free of charge for each student
 - If your child chooses to bring a lunch, please remember that microwaves are not available for use.



BREAKFAST & LUNCH MENUS

<https://psdschools.nutrislice.com/>

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! SCHOOL PHOTOS SOON

Student's school photos are scheduled for Thursday, January 28th. Information on how to place orders coming home today with your child.





Phase 4

What You Can Expect



General Information:

Phase 4: Students attend school each day, Monday through Friday, with health protocols in place.

Mask requirements, handwashing, social distancing markers, and health screenings will continue to be a prominent part of our school routines. We have been continuing to evaluate our in-person safety measures to ensure the safety of our students and staff.

- Please know that guidance from Larimer County and PSD changes routinely, so this information may evolve based upon their direction.
- The building is limited to PSD Staff and students only. **No volunteers or visitors are allowed at this time.**
 - Building events will need to be postponed until further notice. This includes assemblies, PTO events, or community use of the school area.
- Parents and guardians may only access the entry vestibule to communicate with office staff, pick up or drop off paperwork, or sign children in/out of class.

What you can expect:

- **Symptom Screening-** please screen your child for symptoms prior to sending him/her to school. You can learn more about symptom screening at:
<https://www.psdschools.org/psd2020-21/psdprotocolsCOVID19>
- **Arrival and Dismissal:** Please follow the same drop-off and pick-up procedure that your neighborhood Mountain School established during Phase 3 hybrid learning. Mountain Schools start/end times:
 - **Livermore:** 8:15 a.m. – 2:53 p.m.
 - **Red Feather:** 8:25 a.m. – 3:03 p.m.
 - **Stove Prairie:** 8:42 a.m. – 3:20 p.m.
- **Surface areas-**will be sanitized after each student use, after meals, and routinely throughout the day and in the evening.
- **Handwashing-** we will wash hands in the classroom
 - each morning upon entering,
 - before lunch,
 - after every recess
 - after every cough or sneeze, and
 - after using the restroom
- **Breakfast/Lunch-** a sack breakfast and a hot or cold lunch will be available for each student. After morning drop-off students will receive a sack breakfast to eat in the classroom. A hot or cold lunch option will be available for all students. Lunches brought from home should include items that children can open independently and do not require



Phase 4

What You Can Expect

continued

Continued:

- a microwave. School meals are free to all children at this time. *During breakfast and lunch each student will have a plexiglass desk barrier to ensure the safety of students when they are eating.*
- **Masks-** cloth or disposable **masks must be worn at all times** except when eating. Please send a spare mask in your child's backpack.
- **Supplies-** your teacher will communicate about what supplies need to come to school.
- **Student computers-** At this time, we are planning for computers to come back to school on the 19th and not come back and forth.
 - **If you were issued a PSD mifi, you do not need to bring it back to school at this time.**
- **Snack/water bottles-** students may bring a small snack and a water bottle. Drinking fountains are not available, but students can refill water bottles if necessary. No other personal items (toys, recess equipment) should be brought from home.
- **Cohorts-** students will interact with students in their classroom cohort.
- **Spacing and barriers:** In our classrooms, students will be spaced **3-6 feet apart** depending on the number of students in the class. At lunch, students will remain at their desks and will use a plexiglass barrier while unmasked and eating. The barriers will also be used when we can't maintain 3 feet of distancing.
- **Attendance** will be taken daily. If your child is ill, please call your neighborhood Mountain School. Please describe the symptoms related to the illness in case we need to begin contact tracing and other protocols.
- **Recess-** students will go out to recess 2-3 times a day to the playground. They will play with students in their classroom cohort while maintaining social distance.
- **Shift to remote learning-** a class will shift to remote learning if there is a positive or presumed positive case within their classroom cohort. You may receive little notice that shift needs to be made. If this occurs, we will notify you as soon as possible.
 - If a class has to shift to remote learning due to an exposure, our distribution plan for materials and classroom instruction will be communicated by the classroom teacher.
 - **Contact tracing-** We will primarily use **enhanced contact tracing**. Rather than investigating and identifying close contacts, all people in a classroom will shift to remote education for 10 days to prevent the possible spread of the virus. This includes the homeroom teacher and any itinerant staff (paraprofessionals helping with lunch, specials teachers, etc.) who were in the classroom. All may return to school/work once cleared to do so. This is a change between first and second semester.
 - Cases associated with our school can be found on the [PSD Dashboard](#)
- Please reach out to any of your Mountain Schools staff with any questions or concerns. Thank you!



January 2021



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Grades K-5 Start Phase 4 Learning on Tuesday, January 19 th .					1 <i>Winter Break</i>	2
3 <i>Winter Break</i>	4	Return from Winter Break 5 Remote Learning LIFE SKILLS	6 Remote Learning ART	7 Remote Learning P.E.	8 Remote Learning Morning Meeting Asynchronous Work	9
10	11 Remote Learning MUSIC Happy Birthday Chase H. (LIV)	12 Remote Learning LIFE SKILLS	13 Remote Learning ART	14 Remote Learning P.E.	15 Remote Learning Morning Meeting Asynchronous Work	16
17	18 No School	19 Afternoon Specials: <i>Music</i>	20 Morning Special: <i>Art Virtual</i>	21 Afternoon Specials: <i>Maker/Tech</i>	22 Afternoon Specials: <i>Life Skills</i>	23
24/31	25 Afternoon Specials: <i>Music</i>	26 Afternoon Specials: <i>Music</i>	27 Morning Special: <i>Art Virtual</i>	28 Afternoon Specials: <i>Maker/Tech</i>	29 Afternoon Specials: <i>Life Skills</i>	30

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Return to Learn: guidance following a positive COVID-19 Symptom Screen (R2)

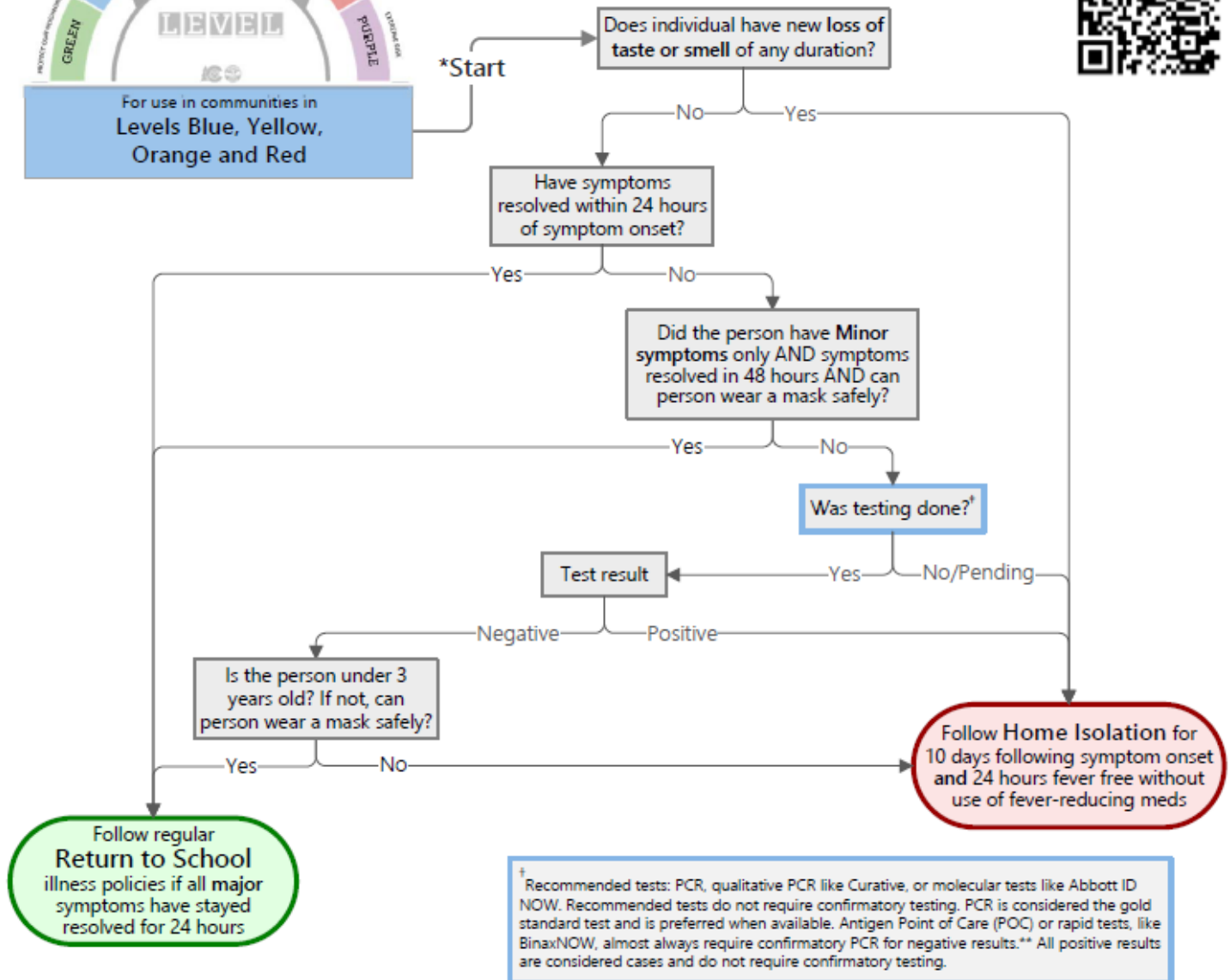
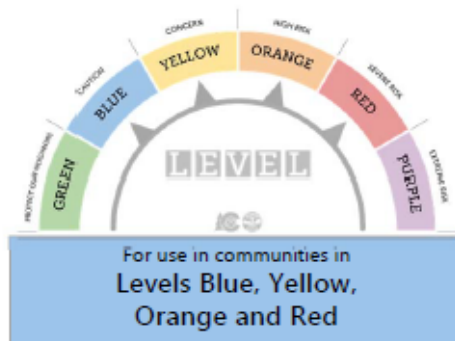


This decision tool is NOT intended for cases or close contacts of COVID-19.

A confirmed COVID-19 case or close contact should follow public health isolation or quarantine instructions for return to school/work. No test result can end an individual's isolation or quarantine period early.

*All students/staff with symptoms of COVID-19 should be tested as soon as possible.

To request assistance or provide feedback:
<https://tinyurl.com/COP12Feedback>



† Recommended tests: PCR, qualitative PCR like Curative, or molecular tests like Abbott ID NOW. Recommended tests do not require confirmatory testing. PCR is considered the gold standard test and is preferred when available. Antigen Point of Care (POC) or rapid tests, like BinaxNOW, almost always require confirmatory PCR for negative results.** All positive results are considered cases and do not require confirmatory testing.

Critical Symptom	Major Symptoms	Minor Symptoms
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Loss of taste or smell 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Feeling feverish, having chills, temperature of 100.4°F or greater New or worsening cough Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sore throat Runny nose or congestion Muscle or body aches Headache Fatigue Nausea, vomiting Diarrhea

**If all of the following conditions are met, confirmation of a negative antigen test with PCR is not needed (in all other circumstances, a negative must be confirmed with PCR.)

- No known exposure to a person with known or suspected COVID-19 (or part of an outbreak)
- No travel to an area with high incidence of COVID-19
- Lives/works/attends school in a community with 2-week incidence <50 cases per 100,000 (this information can be located at <https://covid19.colorado.gov/data> under Incidence and Epi Curves)
- Experiencing minor symptoms only (sore throat, runny nose or congestion, muscle or body aches, headache, fatigue, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea)

November 2020



SUPERINTENDENT SEARCH

PSD superintendent search online survey, forums: The Board of Education would like to hear input as it searches for the next Poudre School District superintendent. Parents/guardians, students, staff and other members of the PSD community are invited to complete a survey.

- The survey takes about 10 minutes and **must be completed by Jan. 22.**
- English survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PSDsearch>
- Spanish survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PSDbusqueda>
- Hazard Young Attea & Associates, a search firm hired by the Board of Education, will compile input gathered from the survey, forums and invite-only focus groups and create a leadership profile report that will be presented at the board's public Feb. 9 meeting.

The school board will also solicit diverse ideas from numerous stakeholder groups, including parents/guardians and students, through a series of facilitated, invitation-only, online January forums. Event information is posted on the [PSD Superintendent Search web page](#), which is the primary source of information for the hiring search. We encourage everyone to share their voices as part of this important process.

Once on the [PSD Superintendent Search web page](#) users can translate the content. Click on the word "Translate" along the top, green navigation bar and select your desired language from the list displayed.