# CURLEW SCHOOL DISTRICT #50 REOPENING PLAN FOR 2020 - 2021



"CURLEW SCHOOLS – STUDENTS ACHIEVING THEIR HIGHEST POTENTIAL"

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### MESSAGE FROM PRINCIPAL LADIGES

# **Curlew Public School**

School District No. 50 - Ferry County \_\_\_\_\_

Hello Curlew Students and Families,

I hope this letter finds you all safe, well, and enjoying some summer activities. We are excited for the upcoming school year and look forward to reconnecting with all of you. We have been diligently planning for school to reopen and students and families have been at the forefront of this process. This time of uncertainty continues to show that Curlew is a strong and resilient community. We want to assure our families that we are ready to provide high-quality education in a safe environment. Continual monitoring will take place and should conditions change, we will adapt to continue to meet our students' needs. It is vital as a community that we remain flexible and encouraging during this time.

We know that families are at different levels of readiness for returning to school this fall. Currently, families have two options for students: In-Person Learning and Virtual Learning. Families can choose the option that works best for them.

Our school reopening plan is the result of numerous hours of hard work and cooperation between, school staff, school leaders, our school board, families, community members, health officials, and education officials at many levels across the state. Through this process we have utilized many perspectives to problem solve, consider multiple options, address issues, and determine the best pathways for our students.

From numerous conversations throughout our community, we know that there are concerns around providing a safe learning environment. Our staff is prepared and committed to providing safe, equitable, high quality educational opportunities. Furthermore, we want you to know that we are following all guidelines and requirements from Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI), Washington State Department of Health (DOH), Northeast Washington Tri-County Health District (NWTCHD) and Labor and Industry (L & I).

We are ready and excited to welcome all of our students and families back to school this fall.

Wyatt Ladiges

Principal

Go Cougars!!!

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### ELEMENTARY, MIDDLE SCHOOL AND HIGH SCHOOL LEARNING AND TEACHING

Curlew School District, through the work of conversations and problem solving with teachers, families, and our local health department have designed two learning options for students: *In-Person Learning and Distance Learning*. Families can choose the option that works best for them.

### **IN-PERSON LEARNING**

Our district will provide *in-person learning* to the greatest extent allowable by state and local officials.

Currently, we are planning an in-person model at every grade level K-12, ensuring all health and safety protocols directed by the state are followed to protect students, staff and our community. Each grade level will be running under a full schedule for the 2020-2021 school year. This means, students and teachers will be required to wear a mask or facial covering and physical distancing measures will be in place, as per state OSPI Guidelines. By taking these actions, we will be a resource to our health department in combating COVD-19.

Structure / Schedule- Due to small class sizes each classroom will be set up following social distancing guidelines. Each students desk will be set six feet from each other. Hand washing/sanitizing stations are available in each classroom. Lunch and recess schedules have been staggered to provide outdoor and social time with class isolation in mind.

In the event that schools are forced to close, all students will change from in-person learning to a distance learning model. This distance learning model will be different than the Virtual Learning model in that it will be facilitated by our staff and incorporate personal contact as well as an online component.

### VIRTUAL LEARNING

An all-inclusive online *virtual learning* option for students that are not comfortable returning to in-person school at this time.

Curlew School will be using Market Squares Education to provide the education needs of the distance learners. This system will be comprehensive and require a computer as well as adequate internet access. Computers and or laptops are available from the school if needed as well as a WIFI access point on campus can be provided. The school is also looking to partner with local businesses to help provide more local WIFI hot spots.

Please contact the school if you are interested in our distance learning options.

### SAFE SCHOOL OPERATIONS

Keeping our schools safe and healthy is a top priority for in-person learning. In order to help accommodate this:

- Masks/Shield Facial Covering Required for All Students and Staff (as per OSPI)
- Daily temperatures and health checks will be taken before entry into school.
- Volunteers in our schools will be treated as District personnel, including fingerprinting/background check and will undergo District designed training consistent across the District

### SAFE SCHOOL OPERATION TOPICS:

- Daily Temperature and Health Checks
- Masks/Shield Facial Covering Required for All Students and Staff (as per OSPI)
- Dedicated Entry and Exit Zones
- Frequent Hand Washing
- Physical Distancing Measures
- Social Distancing Signage
- Building Sanitation and Cleaning Protocols (with emphasis on high-touch areas)
- Transportation
- Nutrition Services
- School Ventilation

### SCHOOL BUS PROTOCOL

Parent/guardian survey will be issued to determine number of active riders. OSPI is encouraging alternative forms of transportation to help with social distancing on school busses.

- Appropriate signage and seat markings will be placed on each bus.
- Seating charts will be created to facilitate coordinated loading/unloading.
- Air flow throughout the bus will be increased by opening roof hatches and selected windows.
- Driver will disinfect handrails, seat tops, and entrance doors between runs.
- Morning sanitation, and nightly disinfecting of busses will be performed by bus driver staff.
- Follow social distancing requirements based on reopening schools OSPI document.

### STAFF AND STUDENT ENTRY SCREENING PROTOCOL

- Infrared thermometers provided by district
- Alcohol wipes for cleaning thermometer sensor intermittently
- Disinfectant wipes
- Clean personal school supplies
- Small supply of masks
- iPad for daily Health Screening recording in Skyward









Wear a mask.

Stay 6 feet apart.

Stay home if sick.

Wash hands often.

### **OUR SCHOOL SCREENING PROTOCOL**

Staff members screening check into site by filling out staff Health Screening Tab through the Skyward online program.

Entrances will be separated by student arrival type.

- Valet Student
  - Valet Staff will take temperature of students while in the car students with a temperature of 100.4 degrees or above will be sent home after. Students with a temperature between 99.4 to 100.3 will be identified as a recheck. Students with a normal temperature are let into the building. All data will be recorded in Skyward on the Health Screening Tab.
  - Students with "Recheck or No Concerns" proceed to colored cones for entry into building.
- Bussers/walkers
  - Students will proceed to gym entrance. Students will be screened, a temperature of 100.4 degrees or above will be sent home. Students with a temperature between 99.4 to 100.3 will be identified as a recheck. Students with a normal temperature are let into the building.

Prior to beckoning individuals into the building for screening, ensure a cloth face covering is being worn. Welcome students into building one family unit at a time.

### CONFIDENTIALITY

Specific screening information will not be shared with anyone but a school nurse if follow up is needed. Screening results may be shared with the principal, secretary or teacher.

### COVID - 19 SYMPTOMS AT SCHOOL

If a student or staff member develops signs of COVID–19 at school they will be quarantined in a designated area. Family or emergency contact will be notified and the individual will be sent home. Student and staff may be dismissed for 2-5 day to allow officials to determine appropriate next steps.

### **RETURNING TO SCHOOL AFTER COVID SIGNS**

A staff member or student who had signs of suspected or confirmed COVID-19 can return to school when:

- At least three days (72 hours) has passed since recovery defined as no fever with out the use of medications and improvement in respiratory symptoms like cough and shortness of breath: AND
- At least 17 days have passed since symptoms firs appeared; OR
- It has been at least three days (72 hours) since recovered AND a health care provider has certified that the student does not have suspected or confirmed COVID-19

### **BREAKFAST AND LUNCH PROTOCOL**

- Elementary students will eat breakfast and lunch in the classrooms/cafeteria.
- Junior high students will eat in the cafeteria, outside and overflow into additional spaces such as the MPR.
- High school students will eat in the cafeteria, outside and overflow into additional spaces such as the MPR.
- Lunches will be staggered to allow for distancing.

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### **OUR CLEANING PROTOCOL**

### Clean

- 1. Wear disposable gloves to clean and disinfect.
- Clean surfaces using soap and water, then use disinfectant. Cleaning with soap and water reduces number of germs, dirt and impurities on the surface. Disinfecting kills germs on surfaces.
- 3. Practice routine cleaning of frequently touched surfaces.
  - More frequent cleaning and disinfection may be required based on level of use.
  - Surfaces and objects in public places should be cleaned and disinfected before each use.
- 4. High touch surfaces include:
  - Tables, doorknobs, light switches, countertops, handles, desks, phones, keyboards, toilets, faucets, sinks, etc.

#### Disinfect

#### Recommend use of EPA-registered household disinfectant

Follow the instructions on the label to ensure safe and effective use of the product.

Many products recommend:

- Keeping surface wet for a period of time (see product label).
- Precautions such as wearing gloves and making sure you have good ventilation during use of the product.
- Clean all hard surfaces with Alpha HP at a rate of 1:64. If carpeted clean carpet with a solution of Alpha HP at a rate of 1:256 and allow drying.

#### Always read and follow the directions on the label to ensure safe and effective use.

- Wear skin protection and consider eye protection for potential splash hazards
- Ensure adequate ventilation
- Use no more than the amount recommended on the label
- Use water at room temperature for dilution (unless stated otherwise on the label)
- Avoid mixing chemical products
- Label diluted cleaning solutions
- Store and use chemicals out of the reach of children

You should never eat, drink, breathe or inject these products into your body or apply directly to your skin as they can cause serious harm.

#### See EPA's 6 steps for Safe and Effective Disinfectant Use

Special considerations should be made for people with asthma and they should not be present when cleaning and disinfecting is happening as this can trigger asthma exacerbations. To learn more about reducing asthma triggers: <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/asthma/reduce\_triggers.html">https://www.cdc.gov/asthma/reduce\_triggers.html</a>

### Soft surfaces

For soft surfaces such as carpeted floor, rugs and cloth covered furniture.

- Clean the surface using soap and water or with cleaners appropriate for use on these surfaces.
- Launder items (if possible) according to the manufacturer's instructions. Use the warmest appropriate water setting and dry items completely.

#### OR

- Disinfect with an EPA-registered household disinfectant. <u>These disinfectants</u> meet EPA's criteria for use against COVID-19.
- Vacuum as usual.

### Electronics

For electronics, such as tablets, touch screens, keyboards and remote controls.

- Consider putting a wipe able cover on electronics
- Follow manufacturer's instruction for cleaning and disinfecting.
- If no guidance, use alcohol-based wipes or sprays containing at least 70% alcohol. Dry surface thoroughly.

### Laundry

For clothing, towels, linens and other items

- Launder items according to the manufacturer's instructions. Use the warmest appropriate water setting and dry items completely.
- Wear disposable gloves when handling dirty laundry from a person who is sick.
- Dirty laundry from a person who is sick can be washed with other items.
- Do not shake dirty laundry.
- Clean and disinfect clothes hampers according to guidance above for surfaces.
- Remove gloves and wash hands right away.

### Cleaning and Disinfecting If Someone Is Sick

- Close off areas used by sick person.
- Schools do not necessarily need to close operations, if they can close off affected areas.
- Open outside doors and windows to increase air circulation in the area.
- Wait 24 hours before you clean or disinfect. If 24 hours is not feasible, wait as long as possible.
- Clean and disinfect **all areas used by the person who is sick**, such as offices, bathrooms, common areas, shared electronic equipment like tablets, touch screens, keyboards and remote controls.
- Vacuum the space if needed. Use vacuum equipped with high-efficiency particular air (HEPA) filter, if available.
- Do not vacuum a room or space that has people in it. Wait until the room or space is empty to vacuum, such as at night, for common spaces, or during the day for private rooms.
- Consider temporarily turning off room fans and the central HVAC system that services the room or space, so that particles that escape from vacuuming will not circulate throughout the facility.
- Once area has been appropriately disinfected, it can be opened for use.
- Workers without close contact with the person who is sick can return to work immediately after disinfection.
- If more than 7 days since the person who is sick visited or used the facility, additional cleaning and disinfection is not necessary.
- Continue routing cleaning and disinfection. This includes everyday practices that schools and communities normally use to maintain a healthy environment.

### Cleaning and Disinfecting Outdoor Areas

Outdoor areas, like playgrounds in schools and parks generally require normal routine cleaning, but do not require disinfection.

- Do not spray disinfectant on outdoor playgrounds- it is not an efficient use of supplies and is not proven to reduce risk of COVID-19 to the public.
- High touch surfaces made of plastic or metal, such as grab bars and railings should be cleaned routinely.
- Cleaning and disinfection of wooden surfaces (play structures, benches, tables) or ground covers (mulch, sand) is not recommended.
- Sidewalks and roads should not be disinfected.
- Spread of COVID-19 from these surfaces is very low and disinfection is not effective.

## **Curlew Public Schools**

School District No. 50 - Ferry County

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### In-Person Learning Parent Agreement 2020-2021

As we begin the 2020-21 school year, we recognize that the decision to send your children to in-person schooling is one not taken lightly. The safety of your children will remain our number one priority as we open up our school buildings for inperson learning and teaching. We believe that seeing our students each day is vitally important and we promise to do everything we can to keep our students safe during this time. This agreement explains what we will do as Curlew School District (CSD) and your family's commitment to help keep all children and staff in our school system safe and healthy.

### Curlew School District commits to:

- Keep the health and safety of our students and staff as our number one priority. •
- Screen every student and staff member as they enter the school building.
- Ensure students and staff are wearing Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) each school day. •
- Communicate frequently about processes and procedures.
- Provide schedules in all our buildings that provide for social distancing throughout the school day.
- Provide sanitizing stations throughout our buildings for students and staff.
- Adhere to the protocol for working with students and staff who become ill during the school day and maintain confidentiality during that process.

### As a CSD parent, I commit to:

- Ensure that my child attends school daily, is on time and is ready to learn.
- Not send my children to school if they are presenting with any of the COVID-19 symptoms:
  - Fever of 100.4 degrees or higher •
  - Cough
  - Shortness of breath
  - Fatigue •
  - Muscle aches •
  - New loss of taste or smell
- Encourage my child(ren) to wash their hands frequently, use hand sanitizer and keep their mask/shield face covering on, when required by the teacher during the school day.

Student Name: Date:

Parent or Guardian:

### Curlew School District #50 SCHOOL BOARD RESOLUTION

### Resolution – District Reopening Plan **BOARD RESOLUTION No. 08-2020-02**

Section: 0000 - Planning

WHEREAS, Chapter 28A.320 RCW authorizes local school boards to govern their respective districts, including the promotion of effective, efficient and safe district operations and RCW 28A.330.100 authorizes local school boards with additional powers and RCW 28A.150.230 assigns local school boards the responsibility for ensuring quality in the content and extent of its educational program;

WHEREAS, on February 29, 2020, Washington Governor Jay Inslee declared a state of emergency in all counties of our state under Chapters 38.08, 38.52 and 43.06 RCW and directed the implementation of the plans and procedures of the state's Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan in response to the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) and on March 13, 2020, Governor Inslee ordered the closure of all public and private K-12 schools in Washington State until April 24, 2020, to contain the spread of COVID-19 and on April 6, 2020, directed that school buildings remain closed from providing traditional, in-person instruction throughout the remainder of the 2019-2020 school year;

WHEREAS, RCW 28A.150.290 authorizes the State Superintendent of Public Instruction to make rules and regulations as necessary to carry out the proper administration of its statutory duties in unforeseen conditions and on June 11, 2020, the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction issued official guidance for reopening Washington schools for the 2020-2021 school year, which included sections on health and safety from the Department of Health and the Department of Labor and Industries, specifying employee and student safety requirements for reopening schools during the COVID-19 pandemic and requiring school boards to adopt and submit reopening plans for the

2020-2021 school year;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Curlew School Board/Public Schools (the Board) has reviewed and hereby adopts its reopening plan for the 2020-2021 school year, which addresses the mandatory health requirements, statutory education requirements and additional expectations, as identified by the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction's June 11, 2020 official guidance for reopening Washington schools.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board directs that the plan be posted on the District's website two weeks prior to the reopening of school. The Board recognizes that the circumstances related to reopening schools safely are mutable and the reopening plan requires monitoring and possible revision. Therefore, the District Superintendent will monitor the reopening plan throughout the 2020-2021 year and the District will revise and update the reopening plan as needed.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that whether we are allowed to return to in-person schools on September 8, 2020 or a future date to be determined by the pandemic response, the plan for a return to in-person learning and teaching will be implemented only with the approval of Northeast Tri County Health District. We expect metrics to be established by Northeast Tri County Health District in the near future to assist regional school districts plan for reopening.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that execution of this Resolution is conclusive evidence of the Board's approval of this action and of the authority granted herein. The Board warrants that it has and at the time of this action had, full power and lawful authority to adopt this instrument. This resolution pertains exclusively to the 2020-2021 school vear and sunsets no later than that time.

Adoption Date: 08202020 Classification: Planning

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