



Traverse City Area Public Schools

FALL 2021 PLAN

Details surrounding COVID-19 change rapidly. As a district, we are committed to remaining flexible and will abide by state mandates that may occur or change throughout the academic year. Thank you for your patience and understanding as we navigate a safe academic year for all.



Masks

TCAPS Board of Education made the determination to require masks in school buildings based on recommendations for universal indoor masking from both the CDC and MDHHS. The School Board will reevaluate the decision on September 27. Medical waivers must be completed by a certified physician.

Masks are required on all buses, per CDC order.



Quarantine

TCAPS will continue to contact trace in partnership with our local health department.



COVID-19 Updates

TCAPS will maintain the COVID-19 transparency chart online at www.tcaps.net/safestart. Please note that numbers may have a 24 hour lag as we await confirmation from the local health department.



Vaccines

TCAPS will not mandate COVID-19 vaccines.



Mental Health

TCAPS has a great team of staff, counselors and social workers to assist all students with concerns on mental health. If you have a concern for your child, please speak with your building principal for immediate assistance. Education, Student Assistance, and Mentoring Programs are available at www.tcaps.net/parents/cr.



Cleaning & Disinfecting

TCAPS will continue to disinfect all rooms on a daily basis. Cleaning supplies and hand sanitizer will be available and safely stored in every classroom.



Monitoring Symptoms

Families should screen each child daily before coming to school. Students should not attend school or school activities/sports when COVID-19 symptoms are present.



Virtual School

For families interested in remote learning for the fall semester or the full academic year, TCAPS will continue to offer K-12 UpNorth Virtual OnDemand. To learn if UpNorth Virtual OnDemand is the best fit for your child, contact your building principal for information.