

The Board of School Trustees of Madison Consolidated Schools conducted a Work Session on Monday, July 6, 2020, at the Administration Building, 2421 Wilson Avenue, Madison, Indiana, at 3:00 p.m.

The following members of the Board of School Trustees were present:

Mr. Rob Kring, President
Mrs. Jodi Yancey, Vice-President
Mr. Larry Henry, Secretary
Mrs. Joyce Imel, Member

The following Central Office Administrator was present:

Dr. Jeffery Studebaker, Superintendent
Mrs. Bonnie Hensler, Director of Finance and Human Resources
Mr. Kevin Yancey, Director of Facilities and Special Projects
Mrs. Angela Vaughn, Director of Special Education and Student Services
Mr. Michael Gasaway, Director of Secondary Education
Mrs. Jill Mires, Director of Elementary Education

The following attended the Work Session:

Mrs. Tara McKay	Mrs. Tracy Ahlbrand
Mrs. Janet McCreary	Mr. Alex Hobson
Mrs. Judy Brooks	Mrs. Tracy Ahlbrand
Mrs. Ashley Schutte	Mr. Joe Bronkella
Ms. Jill Deputy	

Dr. Studebaker presented the Reopening Plan:

Overview of the Reopening Plan

The following list is an overview of our reopening plan. Detailed plans can be found in specific documents that are available and broken down by building/program.

- All aspects of this plan are flexible and could change depending upon circumstances within a school, our county, or by any Governor's order.
- School will begin on August 12, 2020.
- The current approved calendar will be used.
- Parents have the option of having their children attend school either face-to-face or in a virtual setting.
- Buses will run routes with no more than two students per seat and all passengers will be required to wear masks while on board.
- Wearing masks are strongly recommended while inside our buildings and will be required in certain situations. Certain adults will be required to wear masks while inside buildings.
- Access to buildings by parents and other visitors will be restricted even more than normal.
- Multiple disinfecting cleanings will be done throughout the day in all buildings and buses.
- Screening for symptoms should occur for all adults and students prior to coming to school. Latest guidelines for these screenings will be provided as they are updated.
- Individuals with symptoms will be required to be quarantined. (Specific guidelines can be found in the detailed plan documents)

- Individuals that have tested positive for Covid-19 will be required to quarantine. (Specific guidelines can be found in the detailed plan documents)
- Quarantined students that begin school in a face-to-face setting will be able to continue their studies virtually with their class.
- Athletics and co-curricular activities have begun with detailed parameters in place. (Specific guidelines can be found in the detailed plan documents)

Dr. Stuebaker said the goal is to produce a plan for parents.

Dr. Stuebaker said the plan is to send a letter to parents following board approval of the plan. He said the reopening plan would be shared via a mass email, posted on the MCS Facebook page with the individual school plans posted in the website.

Dr. Stuebaker said this plan could change if directed by the Governor.

Dr. Stuebaker said a survey would be sent to parents regarding if their child will attend face to face or in a virtual setting and what students will be riding a bus to school.

Dr. Stuebaker said once the transportation routing piece is completed the bus drivers will contact the families.

Mr. Gasaway said he completed a survey with 643/1400 of parents for students in grades 5-12 responding:

- 70.5% - students will attend school
- 24.5% - undecided
- 5% - virtual

Mr. Gasaway said if there is a large number of students requesting virtual learning there would be a need for an instructor at both the elementary and secondary level.

Dr. Stuebaker said there is a need to hire several interventionists to be funded by the CARES Act.

Dr. Stuebaker said per the State elementary students must have five (5) hours of instruction with the secondary having six (6) hours of instruction.

Dr. Stuebaker said Jefferson County hasn't had a massive hit by the virus but the next 10 days will tell.

Dr. Stuebaker said students will be required to wear masks on the school bus and sit two per seat. He said some routes will be broken up. Dr. Stuebaker said there will be assigned bus seating. Dr. Stuebaker said the plan is to keep students from changing buses; this will help the contract traces if a student tests positive for the virus.

Dr. Stuebaker said access to the buildings will be restricted with no visitors allowed in the buildings at this time.

Dr. Stuebaker said all student desks will be faced forward.

Mr. Gasaway said there are 43 Jr. and Sr. High teachers that will require masks be worn in the classroom.

Dr. Stuebaker reviewed the disinfecting plan for the Corporation.

Dr. Stuebaker said the CDC says there is no reason to disinfect playgrounds. He said we would attack the high touch surfaces.

Mr. Kring asked about substitute teachers? Dr. Stuebaker said it will be very difficult to find substitutes.

Dr. Stuebaker said the administrators are working on a plan if there is a quarantine shutdown.

Mr. Henry asked if there could be bus aides on every bus? Dr. Stuebaker said that would be great.

Mrs. Yancey asked if we would feed the virtual students? Mrs. Brooks said yes until August 31st.

A discussion ensued about parents not being allowed in the building unless they make an appointment.

Dr. Stuebaker said all traditional water fountains have been shut down.

Mrs. Imel asked if there had been any consideration for all teachers to have a thermometer? Dr. Stuebaker said this could be discussed. Mrs. Vaughn said the Health Department discourages temperature taking.

All students will be required to wear masks for drills that will be scheduled.

Secretary
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