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Please use the checklist below to assess your facility's compliance with best practices/requirements established in the following resources: Ohio Department of Health's "COVID-19 Health and Prevention Guidance for Ohio K-12 Schools", Ohio Department of Education's "Reset and Restart Education" guidance, CDC recommendations, and guidance from the American Academy of Pediatrics.

Requirements	YES	NO
Schools must establish a face mask policy for students.		
All school staff and volunteers must wear face coverings unless it is unsafe to do so or where doing so would significantly interfere with the learning process or for exceptions listed Ohio K-12 Schools Guidance Document.		
Schools must provide written justification to local health officials, upon request, explaining why a staff member is not required to wear a facial covering in the school. At minimum, facial coverings should be cloth/fabric and cover an individual's nose, mouth, and chin.		
Students, staff and volunteers must maintain at least 6-feet social distancing whenever feasibly possible. *The American Academy of Pediatrics states that there is evidence that 3 feet of separation may approach the benefits of 6 feet of separation, particularly when facial coverings are worn, and students are asymptomatic. If 6 feet of separation is not possible, at least 3 feet of separation should be maintained.		
Schools must clean surfaces frequently, paying close attention to high touch areas, shared materials		
Ensure that sanitation wipes and/or disinfectants labeled as effective against SARS-CoV-2 available in each room and common space.		
Minimize sharing of supplies and materials. For items that must be shared, such as desktops, cafeteria tables, and bus seating, ensure proper sanitizing between users.		
Assigned seating should be implemented throughout the entire school day, including during transportation.		
Schools must provide opportunities throughout the day for handwashing. To supplement handwashing, schools must provide hand sanitizer (60% to 95% alcohol based) in high traffic areas including entrances to buildings and classrooms. Instruct students and staff to use the sanitizer		
Water fountains, including individual classroom water fountains as well as outdoor water fountains must be disabled or covered to remove them from service. Bottle filling stations are permitted.		
Discourage large gatherings in auditoriums, gymnasiums or on field trips. Consider virtual gatherings or postponing the event.		



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Limit visitors and volunteers to only those that are essential. Ensure accurate records of visitors/volunteers are kept in case they are needed for contact tracing purposes.		
Students, caregivers, staff, and volunteers must conduct daily health assessments prior to entering the school building, including a temperature check and assessing for any symptoms of COVID-19.		
If a student, staff, or volunteer begins to show symptoms or has a temperature above 100°F while at school, they must immediately be separated from other students, staff, and volunteers, given a face covering and monitored by a staff member wearing appropriate PPE (personal protective equipment) and maintaining physical distance when possible.		
The isolation space where an individual with symptoms of COVID-19 waits before he/she goes home needs to be separate from clinic area or other areas students likely visit.		
Any area a person exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19 was in, should be thoroughly sanitized.		
School personnel must refer those displaying symptoms of COVID-19 to an appropriate health care professional or testing sites.		
Individuals who test positive for or are suspected to have COVID-19 must experience an improvement in symptoms and isolate for a period of time before returning to school. The local health department monitoring the case will determine the length of any necessary isolation/quarantine.		
Schools must monitor daily absences of staff and students for trends.		
Contact the local health district about suspected cases or exposure.		
Provide hand sanitizing opportunities prior to all meals for students, staff and volunteers.		
Only pre-packaged food items (for example--bottled drinks, bagged chips) are to be available for customer self-service. Buffet style service and salad bars can only operate if the food is dispensed to the customer by a food service employee.		

1. Ohio Department of Health, COVID-19 Health and Prevention Guidance for Schools Ohio K-12 Schools, <https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/static/responsible/schools/K-12-Schools-Guidance.pdf>, 2. American Academy of Pediatrics, COVID-19 Planning Considerations: Guidance for School Re-entry, <https://services.aap.org/en/pages/2019-novel-coronavirus-covid-19-infections/clinical-guidance/covid-19-planning-considerations-return-to-in-person-education-in-schools/>, 3. Centers for Disease Control & Prevention, Considerations for Schools, <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/schools.html>, 4. Centers for Disease Control & Prevention, Interim Guidance for Administrators of US K-12 Schools and Child Care Programs, <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/guidance-for-schools.html>, 5. Ohio Department of Education, Reset and Restart Education, Planning Guide for Ohio Schools and Districts, <http://education.ohio.gov/getattachment/Topics/Reset-and-Restart/Reset-Restart-Guide.pdf.aspx?lang=en-US>