



Frequently Asked Questions

Question	Response	Why?
What is the plan to sanitize the buildings?	Common areas such as lobbies and bathrooms will be sanitized 4 times a day. After arrival, before lunch, after lunch, and in the evening. Electrostatic sprayers will be used for disinfecting.	We want to ensure that we implement a comprehensive and consistent approach to sanitizing all areas of the building.
What other measures is the School taking to protect the health and safety of the students and staff?	The school is making a significant investment in air sanitization by installing UVC lights and MERV 13 filters in its HVAC system. The UVC light kills airborne virus and the filters remove it from the air. Custodians are receiving special training on how to clean for coronavirus from an outside company.	BelovED always wants to go above and beyond for our staff and scholars. This is a significant investment toward the health and safety of our Community by installing filters and UVC lighting to both maintain air quality and quickly destroy any airborne virus. Our custodial staff will receive proper training as well.
What is the daily screening process for students?	Each student will have their temperature taken. If it exceeds 100.4, the student will be placed in an isolation room until a parent or guardian picks them up. The school nurse will follow up with the parent/guardian about protocols for returning to school.	This is the standard temperature threshold recommended by the state. We need to take the proper precautions before the student returns to school.
What is the daily screening process for staff?	Each staff member will have their temperature taken. If it exceeds 100.4, the staff member will need to go home. They will then need to get tested for Covid-19. The school nurse will follow up with the staff member about protocols for returning to school.	This is the standard temperature threshold recommended by the state. We need to take the proper precautions before the staff returns to school.
Will all grades start in cohorts (remain with a certain group of students)?	Yes.	The goal is to limit transitions in school and keep groups together for the safety of our scholars and staff. Most schools are seeking to do the same

		because you want to limit exposure as much as possible. For HS students, this will likely change once the pandemic clears.
Will these cohorts remain in one classroom with teachers rotating?	For the most part, yes, although we are still discussing options for PE and lunch. Once we have our final numbers, we will cement our plan.	The goal is to limit movement in the buildings for the safety of our scholars and staff members. We will revise our policy once the pandemic clears.
What happens if a student in a cohort is exposed or tests positive for covid-19?	For contact tracing purposes, we are required to inform the Jersey City Department of Health. Each student in that cohort will have to quarantine to ensure they do not develop symptoms (a minimum of 3 days). All spaces will be thoroughly sanitized.	We want to ensure the safety of our staff and scholars. If we learn of any outbreak (multiple students from a couple of cohorts), then we will take further measures that could include all remote learning for a 2 week period.
What happens if a staff member tests positive for covid-19?	For contact tracing purposes, we are required to inform the Jersey City Department of Health. We will conduct a thorough investigation if there is a risk of exposure to others and inform families accordingly. All spaces will be thoroughly sanitized.	We want to ensure the safety of our staff and scholars. If we learn of any outbreak (multiple students from a couple of cohorts), then we will take further measures that could include all remote learning for a 2 week period.
What if a family member with whom a student resides tests positive with Covid-19?	Please keep your child at home for a minimum of 3 days to ensure they do not develop covid-19 symptoms. If the child develops such symptoms, please consult a doctor and inform the school nurse.	Because symptoms may not appear immediately, we require a 3 day quarantine of being symptom free before returning to school.
What if a family member with whom a staff resides tests positive with Covid-19?	The staff member must remain at home for a minimum of 3 days to ensure they do not develop covid-19 symptoms. If the staff member develops such systems, the staff member needs to consult a doctor and inform the school nurse.	Because symptoms may not appear immediately, we require a 3 day quarantine of being symptom free before returning to school.

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