# **SOCIAL DISTANCING FAQ**

# Will students be required to socially distance?

In accordance with the recommendations from the Oregon Department of Education (ODE), classrooms will be set up to maintain 3 feet of social distancing, to the extent possible. When it's not possible to maintain a physical distance of at least 3 feet, it will be especially important to layer multiple prevention strategies, such as mask wearing and frequent handwashing.

Students are encouraged to exercise at least 6 feet of social distance from other students on the bus, in the cafeteria, in other indoor spaces and on the playground, to the extent possible.

Students are encouraged to exercise at least 6 feet of social distance from adults at all times, to the extent possible.

# How is my student's teacher supposed to assist my student if they have to maintain 6 feet of distance?

There may be times when a staff member needs to get closer than 6 feet to assist a student. However, as long as that staff member doesn't spend more than 15 minutes (cumulative total per day), the interaction does not constitute a close contact. In addition, all staff are required to wear masks.

#### Will middle school students be in cohorts?

In most cases, students will not attend their courses in cohorts. Schools will emphasize face coverings and distancing as strategies to support student health and safety.

## Will high school and option students be in cohorts?

Students will not attend their courses in cohorts. Schools will emphasize face coverings and distancing as strategies to support student health and safety.

### How will middle and high school students move between classes?

Students will move from one class to another as they have in the past. Schools will emphasize face coverings and distancing as strategies to support student health and safety.