## CANASERAGA CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

2020-21

Specific Details for: Contact Tracing

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## INTRODUCTION

Returning to in-person instruction is a very important step in reestablishing the continuity of the learning for students. While remote learning was a necessary option between March and June 2020, it was not the best method for our students to gain the knowledge and skills they need at each grade level. As we return to inperson instruction, it will be vital for students, parents, and staff to work together to adhere to the guidance that has been provided to the school district by the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) and the New York State Education Department (NYSED).

While the following information is addressed in the district's full Returning to Instruction Plan, the NYS Governor's has directed school districts to create a separate document that addresses some specific components.

This plan will be posted to the school district's website and updated when necessary.

## **Contact Tracing**

Contact tracing is a public health function performed by local public health departments to trace all persons who had contact with a confirmed case of COVID-19. This allows public health officials to put in place isolation or other measures to limit the spread of the virus. The district will cooperate with state and local health department contact tracing. The district will seek to assist public health departments in knowing who may have had contact at school with a confirmed case by:

- Keeping accurate attendance records of students and staff members
- Ensuring student schedules are up to date
- Keeping a log of any visitors which includes date, time and where in the school they visited
- Assisting local health departments in tracing all contacts of the individual at school

Confidentiality must be maintained as required by federal and state laws and regulations. School staff will not determine who is to be excluded from school based on contact, without guidance and direction from the local department of health.

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