**Protocol for Physical Distancing and Protection**

*Protocol must specify how physical distancing requirements will be maintained in classrooms, hallways, restrooms; at arrival and dismissal, meal times, recess, time between classes, and assemblies. Support physical distancing in all daily activities and instruction, maintaining at least six feet between individuals to the maximum extent possible.*

* Minimum of 35 sq ft per person (not just students) in a room
* 6 feet between people (to the maximum extent possible)
* Minimizing interactions between cohorts
* Physical distancing in classrooms, hallways, restrooms, arrival and dismissal, meals, recess, passing times, assemblies
* This area is also where one would talk about different schedules, such as A/B rotating, or all day, but in one cohort while in the building. This would be district and building specific.

Examples:

* Rooms were measured for usable space (not including student desks) and labeled via a school map how many people can be in the specific rooms. Signs with the maximum people capacity are posted at the entry to each room. Students were then assigned appropriately.
* Cohort Interaction is monitored to minimize interactions by the following (this is not an exhaustive list):
  + Each class has a different break time during the school day.
  + Each cohort has a different release time to have recess.
  + Cohorts are assigned entry points into the school for their screening.
  + Cohorts remain in their classroom while the subject matter teachers move between classrooms.
  + Each cohort has an assigned bathroom and no shared bathroom pass is used.
* Hallways are monitored for cohort interaction.
  + Signs created to show hallway traffic flow
  + Taped arrows on floors showing traffic flow and 6 foot distance guidelines while in the hallway.
* As cohorts move to other classrooms, see plan for new cleaning protocols in each room between cohort use.
* Each cohort is dismissed separately for bus loading so less interaction in hallways.
* There will be no in person assemblies for the first half of the school year. Any group presentations will be broadcast through the use of webcams to each classroom.