



Re-opening school - Frequently Asked Questions

Our protocols and procedures have been approved by Sacramento County Public Health

Phasing in using the Hybrid Schedule

We are in the phasing-in process of reopening school this week, using a hybrid model.

- On Monday, November 9, students came to school and received pre-attendance school work and materials (differing from the materials they received during distance learning for grades K through 5).
- Small cohorts have been meeting for assessment.
- Kindergarten begins Thursday, November 12.
- Grade 1 through grade 5 begins Tuesday, November 17.
- Grade 6 through grade 8 begins Tuesday, December 1.
- Classes will be held Tuesday through Friday. The AM group will meet from 8:00-11:00. The PM group will meet from 12:00-3:00.

Protocols

- All classrooms have been equipped with MERV-13 filters. Additionally, each classroom has an air purifier.
- Desks are six feet apart, and each desk is fitted with a three-sided Plexiglas shield. Each teacher desk has a larger Plexiglas shield.
- Each student will be assigned an individual small crate where their own books, chromebooks and other supplies will be kept, as they will not be allowed to use anything in the cubbies in the assigned desk.
- There are hand sanitizing stations in each classroom, and well as throughout the courtyard areas just outside classrooms.
- Students and staff will wear masks. K-2 students do not have to wear masks once they are at their desk.
- At breaks and between classroom sessions, all classrooms will be thoroughly sanitized.

Schedule

As noted previously, we are using an AM/PM schedule, Tuesday-Friday (Mondays will be teacher preparation days).

- Each classroom will serve approximately 50% of enrolled students at each session, resulting in approximately 105-110 students at a maximum for each session, so the number of students in classrooms and on campus will be quite small.
- Students will be allowed to enter school no sooner than 10 minutes before the beginning of school, and will go directly to their classroom where their teacher will greet them and make certain that they go to the assigned desks.
- Staff will escort students for their restroom breaks on a staggered schedule.
- Teachers may take their students out for PE but classes will not be allowed to mingle and cohorts will remain separate. Play equipment will not be used.

Breakfast and Lunch

- Breakfast and Lunch will be provided using the “Grab and Go” model and students will eat before and after school, but not during school.

Other Information

- All entrances and exits will be strictly monitored.
- Signage reminding everyone about social distancing, masks, and sanitation appears throughout the school.
- Students, parents and families have been provided a “Before you come to school” checklist, as well as a flow chart that outlines what happens in case there are any symptoms either at home or at school.
- We have worked closely with our school nurse, who is contracted to us through the Sacramento County Office of Education.
- Additionally, we have staff that have successfully completed the eight hour Johns Hopkins training regarding all COVID-19 related procedures.

Our message during this time, which appears on communication letters to students and families, as well as on signage through campus, is **“We must follow all protocols so school can remain open.”**

Our staff is dedicated to working together with students and families so we can have students back to school.