

Grandfalls Royalty Independent School District

Safe Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Services 2021-2022

Building on our strong finish for the 2020-2021 school year, Grandfalls-Royalty ISD is excited to begin the 2021-2022 school year. We know parents and students may have questions regarding the implementation of appropriate health and safety measures this fall. This document is intended to answer those questions and reassure parents and students that we will meet any required guidelines while providing instructional continuity and a positive school experience. For questions or additional information, contact information is provided at the end of this document.

Overview

Grandfalls-Royalty ISD will reopen with face-to-face instruction beginning August 11, 2021. Extended opportunities for learning include summer school as well as after school tutorials. To the extent possible, tutoring will be provided by the student's classroom teacher. Students with excessive absences will have opportunities to not only make up absences but will also have access to additional tutorial opportunities.

2021-2022 School Calendar

Summer School 2022: May 31, June 1-2, June 6-9, June 13-16, June 20
State Testing- June 21-24

Registration:

All students will need to register for the 2021-2022 school year. Opportunities will be available for families. Staff support will also be available at that time.

Health and Safety Protocol for 2021-2022

Required Actions if Individuals with Test-Confirmed Cases Have Been in a School

- If an individual who has been in a school is test-confirmed to have COVID-19, the school must notify its local health department, in accordance with applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations, including confidentiality requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA).
- Upon receipt of information that any teacher, staff member, student or visitor at a school is test-confirmed to have COVID-19, the school must submit a report to the Texas Department of State Health Services via an online form.
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Health and Hygiene Practices: Masks

- Per GA-36, school systems cannot require students or staff to wear a mask. GA-36 addresses government-mandated face coverings in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.
- School Systems must allow individuals to wear a mask if they choose to do so.

Additional Measures

- Staff and students/parents will self-screen daily for COVID-19 symptoms. If experiencing symptoms, students and staff should stay at home.
- Temperature checks will be conducted for students, staff and visitors prior to entering the building.
- Hand sanitizer stations will be readily available
- Students will eat lunch in the cafeterias; however, plans are in place to limit the number of students in the cafeteria at any given time.
- Social distancing will be practiced when possible.
- Hand washing and or hand sanitizing will be required frequently throughout the day.
- Students will be restricted from sharing personal items and supplies.
- Individuals, other than staff or students, are asked to limit their campus visits to essential visits only.
- Until further notice, visitors will not be allowed to eat with students.
- Until further notice, classroom parties will not be allowed.
- Open House and other back to school events will be adjusted to provide for social distancing. Please watch for details via district social media.
- Unless guidelines change, buses will run. To better accommodate social distancing, those parents who are able to provide transportation are encouraged to do so.
- Buses will be sanitized before and after each route.

- Students will have recess. Outdoor activities and recess are encouraged.
- Reasonable restrictions that provide for social distancing will be in place during recess and outdoor activities.
- Contact tracing will be completed as appropriate per federal, state and local guidance.

For questions or additional information, please contact:

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