

# RCS Reopening - Fall 2020

## Plan "B" - 50% attendance/capacity

- **Parents will be given the option of "remote learning only" for their children.**
  - If a family decides to do remote learning only, they will be required to do that for a six week period and then reassess the situation to see if they want to return to face-to-face instruction.
  - If the family chooses to remain in remote only instruction, they will continue this for the remainder of the semester.
- **Classroom capacity:** Administrators have walked the building to determine how many students can be in a classroom and maintain six feet social distancing. RCS can accommodate the students returning to campus for face-to-face instruction.
- **Monday-Tuesday:** One-half MS and HS students (other half remote learning) - Custodians will clean and sanitize throughout the day.
- **Wednesday** - Deep cleaning of the entire building (all students - remote learning). **Saturday will also be a deep cleaning day.**
- **Thursday-Friday:** The other half of MS and HS students (other half remote learning) - Custodians will clean and sanitize throughout the day.
  - Teachers will provide hand sanitizer as students enter the classroom at the beginning of the period. At the end of class, the teacher will either spray down desks with Lysol OR give each student a Clorox wipe to wipe down their desk prior to leaving the classroom. Classroom doors will be left open so handles are not touched frequently throughout the day.
  - Custodians will come into classrooms prior to school starting each day to sanitize all surfaces. Student restrooms will be cleaned each hour throughout the school day. Adult restrooms will be cleaned throughout the day (before school, mid-day, end of day). Water fountains, stairway door handles, and stairway rails will be sanitized each hour.

- **Teachers report to RCS daily following the RCS schedule.**
  - **All teachers will utilize Canvas to house all instructional resources for face-to-face and remote students.**
  - All teachers will be provided a video camera and tripod to use in their classroom to broadcast daily lessons. All remote students will log into their classes via Zoom/Google Meet according to their daily schedule to participate in teacher-led instructional activities.
  - Teachers will teach face-to-face and remote students simultaneously during each class period. This allows all students to receive the same instruction while alleviating the need for teachers to plan separate lessons for face-to-face and remote students.
  - **Attendance:** Teachers will track attendance for both remote and face-to-face students. This is for teacher and administrator record keeping purposes. Students must log on via Google Meet/Zoom and complete assignments each class period every day during remote learning.
  - **All learning activities and assignments will count towards a student's final grade whether face-to-face or remote learning.**
  - Wednesday's format will be determined by the teacher according to student needs. It may be a live lesson, recorded lesson, or recorded instructions about an activity and then release students to do the work.
  - Teachers will have regular office hours, and will share these schedules with students and parents.
- **Lunch in classrooms**
  - We are in the process of exploring other lunch settings in and around the building.
  - We will share additional lunch details as plans are finalized.
- **Illness Screenings will be conducted for all students and staff as well as anyone entering the building.**
  - Temperature checks will occur as students/staff/visitors arrive.

- Students/staff/visitors will be screened for [COVID-19 symptoms](#) (fever, chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, new loss of smell or taste) before they enter the school.
  - Back parking lot (**four screeners**)
  - Front - Staff entrance only through the front door (**two screeners**).
  - Sixth graders will be dropped off at the brown door and enter there. Students who are dropped off with sixth graders will enter through the gym door by the loading dock (**three screeners at this drop-off point**).
- **Parents must bring their students through one of the lines.** Students who walk to school or who get dropped off in the neighborhood/at the store must be screened by a staff member on the sidewalk out back or the screeners in the front parking lot.
- Front and Back drop off area: If a student exhibits any COVID-19 symptoms, the parent must pull into a designated parking space for the student to be checked a second time and questioned. The questions will help assess COVID risk. The student exhibiting symptoms will be required to go home. Any siblings or other students in the car will be required to go home as well, due to possible exposure.
- If the student is dropped off or gets sick while at school, the parent will be called to pick the student up. The student will be placed in a "waiting room" until the parent arrives to pick up the student. Currently, the "waiting room" will be the RCS boardroom. (subject to change). Social distancing signs (six feet apart) will be placed in the boardroom.
- Please click [here](#) for additional information about screening and reentry after illness or exposure.
- Staff volunteers will serve as screeners in addition to the nurse and administrators.
- **Visitors:** Anyone entering the building for any reason must have their temperature checked, sanitize their hands, and must wear a face mask at all times while in the building.

- There will be a table set up at the front doors as an illness screening station. Hand sanitizer and face masks will be at the station. Face masks will be provided for anyone who does not have one.
- **Staff Illness:** We will follow the protocols outlined on page 21 of the "[Strong Schools NC Public Health Toolkit](#)"
  - As with other illnesses, coverage will be provided.
  - Teachers are still responsible for daily lesson plans/assignments. Emergency lesson plans, including assignments, should be stored in Canvas as an unpublished module.
- **Face Masks:** RCS purchased enough reusable face masks for all students and staff to have one. The Governor announced that the state will provide five reusable face masks for each student and staff member.
  - Students are required to wear a face mask at all times (with the exception of when they eat lunch -- additional details will be shared).
  - Students who choose not to wear their mask will be asked to wear one. If the student refuses, parents will be contacted to pick up their child and the student will be required to participate in remote-only instruction.
  - If a student has a legitimate medical reason and provides medical documentation for the inability to wear a face mask, administration will meet with that student's parents to discuss other options, including remote learning only.
- **Arrival and Dismissal:**
  - **Arrival:** Students report directly to MPR (HS), Gym (grades 7 & 8), and Dining Hall (6th grade) in the morning. Chairs/spaces will be marked to accommodate social distancing.
  - **Dismissal: Students must continue to wear face masks until they get in their car.** Sixth graders will be picked up out front. All other grade levels will be picked up in the back parking lot.
    - We will revisit the dismissal plan at the conclusion of the first week of school.

