
Fall 2020 Reopening School Plan Update

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Priorities: Learning and Safety

Instructional design team:

- prioritizes our most in-need students
- provides optimal learning opportunities for all students
- addresses the social-emotional needs of students

Safety Team:

- ensures safety of staff and students
- adhere to current public health guidelines

These two teams have cross-over representation in order to ensure all aspects of our instructional model falls within the parameters of the safety measures.

Mitigate the Spread of COVID-19

- Face coverings worn by all while on campus
- Minimize contact among students and between students and teachers
 - Social distancing in classrooms, hallways and during breaks
 - Proper ventilation and air flow within buildings

Provide High Quality Learning Experience for All Students

- Consistency of experience on learning platforms
 - Face to face instructional time each week
 - Consistency of instructional practices
 - Clarity of learning outcomes

Ensure safety of students and staff

- Access to mental health and wellness services
- Sanitation protocols-handwashing and surface cleaning
 - Protocols for daily health screening
- Protocols in the event of a COVID-19 person on a campus

Process Timeline

May 2020:

- TFT and District negotiations team convene to develop a plan for re-entry
- TFT and District craft surveys for staff, student and parents to solicit feedback on aspects of a return to school plan
- TFT and District establish focus groups that will provide additional feedback and input on draft plans as they are developed
- TFT and District issue a joint communication to staff that outlines the process for developing a re-entry plan; similar communication is sent to Tam District families

June 2020:

- Instructional Design Team (comprised of TFT and District negotiations teams) reviews survey data and input from staff, parents and students and develops success criteria for a return to school plan
- With success criteria as metric, the working group explores potential plans that other school districts are exploring or implementing in order to capture best thinking
- Working group drafts a return to school plans and gets feedback from legal counsel.
- Working group shares the return to school plans with the focus groups to gather feedback
- Based on feedback, working group makes adjustments to the plan and receives one more round of feedback from the focus groups
- Draft plan is shared with administration and TFT leadership for input
- TFT union shares final product for ratification

July 2020

- **27th -Specific plans for the return to school will be shared with families**
- Based on Health and Human Services guidance and the fluid nature of the response to COVID-19, we will be prepared to go back to full distance learning should the need arise at any time during the school year

August 2020

- All necessary protocols for entering any campus will be shared with students, families and staff

Additional Information

- COVID-19 cases have increased in Marin over the past several weeks, causing a slow down in the reopening of some activities
- Marin County is now on the California watch list
- COVID-19 may be able to linger in the air (aerosolized) making proper ventilation ever more important in indoor spaces
- Safety team is exploring making outdoor classroom spaces available at our sites
- All students will be issued a chromebook for the 2020-21 school year; those who need access to the internet will be provided a hotspot
- Teachers will have additional professional development for engaging in robust remote learning for the synchronous learning sessions.

For the Fall-if we open in a hybrid model

- All students will have live instruction each school day and some remote, synchronous instruction each school day.
- Attendance for both live and synchronous classes is mandatory.
- Grades will be assigned per [BP 5121](#).
- Extra-curriculars will be explored prior to opening to determine the best approach to ensuring students have access to these important resources.
- Students for whom distance learning was most difficult will have the opportunity to remain on school sites all day in student support learning centers.
- Each week, teachers will create a weekly learning plan to include all assignments with time requirements.
- Instructional minutes will meet or exceed the state requirement for high schools during the COVID-19 response.

Communications

- All families should have received an email on July 3rd providing an update on fall reopening planning-a copy of that letter is linked [here](#) and to the front page of our website.
- All families should have received a follow up communication from their student's school site asking parents to complete a survey if their student will need fully remote learning in the fall
- **More detailed plans for reopening will be sent out on July 27th**
(with the caveat that these plans could change, should public health tighten or loosen restrictions)

Guidance: What we know now

- [CDE](#), California Dept of Health guidance
 - All persons will need to social distance while on campus (desks 4-6 feet apart); teachers 6 feet from students
 - All persons will be required to wear face coverings while on campus
 - Students and staff will be required to wipe down their work area prior to leaving a class or room
 - Students and staff may not share materials such as pens, markers, scissors, devices, etc

Guidance continued...

- Hand sanitizing and hand washing protocols in place
- Monitoring of students and staff for symptoms of COVID-19
- Rigorous cleaning of high-touch surfaces and nightly cleaning of entire buildings
- Passive health screenings for all students and staff prior to entering a campus
- Monitoring of public spaces and bathrooms to ensure social distancing is maintained
- Outdoor spaces utilized as much as possible; lunch, break and some instructional time

Some questions we still have

- How will extra curriculars work in the fall?
- Will sports be permitted? (*California Interscholastic Federation will make the determination about the fall sports season on July 20th*)
- Will we have public transportation options for students?

Potential Scenarios for 2020-21 School Year

Each of these scenarios could occur during the 2020-21 school year-nothing has been finalized these are all DRAFTS

Draft-Hybrid Learning model

Under current public health guidelines

- In person instruction for all students 5 days per week in AM/PM rotations
- Virtual learning for balance of time
 - Virtual learning has robust expectations including a weekly learning plan from all teachers

Draft- Open with Restrictions

In the event of that less restrictive public health guidelines are issued

- Campuses are open to all students with some restrictions
- No large gatherings

Draft-Fully Virtual

In the event of more restrictive public health guidelines are issued

- Campuses are closed and instruction is delivered remotely

*** Student support centers will be established at each site for students who may need extra support participating in distance learning*

Challenging Times

- The response to COVID-19 has been challenging for all
- It is difficult for the District and families to make concrete plans under the current conditions
- We appreciate the patience and continued support our community has shown

Questions, comments?

