

Return to School Plan

San Rafael Middle School

2020-2021

San Rafael Middle School is pleased to share with you our Return to School Plan. SRMS faculty and staff are very excited to have our students back with us. We are committed to making the return to school as safe and rewarding as possible.

San Rafael and the Emery School District are working closely with the local Health Department to ensure the safety of your student(s), our faculty, and staff. Therefore, we all must adhere to the following requirements, recommendations, and guidelines.

- Masks/face coverings are required to attend school.
- Students may bring their own mask, but masks must be school appropriate.
- If a student does not have a mask, we will have disposable masks available

Here are some of the General Guidelines and information to know about how SRMS will return to school safely.

Classrooms

- Teachers will utilize seating charts to monitor students' placement and social distancing as much as possible. Teachers will have the autonomy to arrange classrooms to facilitate distancing as much as the space in their classroom allows.
- Teachers will facilitate regular cleaning of surfaces in their classrooms.
- Students will be given their own supplies when possible to minimize sharing.
- Current state guidelines regarding face coverings will be followed.
- Chromebooks/computers or similar technology will be cleaned after each use.
- If a student exhibits one or more symptoms, the student will be checked at the office and sent home, if needed.
- Students will be given the opportunity to wash their hands multiple times during the day in classes where possible and encouraged to wash hands frequently during class breaks. Hand Sanitizers will be available at strategic points throughout the school.

Transitions

- Floor markings and signage will be placed in high traffic areas. Traffic flow instruction will be given to staff, students, and visitors.
- Teachers will create and teach procedures for classroom movement -- into class, out of class, turning in work, sharpening pencils, etc.

- Social distancing will be encouraged in the hallways during transitions by the administration and faculty.
- Hand sanitizer will be available at designated entry & exit points in each school.
- A custodian will sanitize handrails, doorknobs, and other high touch surfaces between each high traffic instance.

Entry/Exit Points

- Designated entry and exit doors will be marked to minimize congestion.
- Visitors will be required to wear masks and report at the office to have their temperature taken before moving beyond the office area.
- Staff will help discourage congregating and clustering of students and encourage social distancing, both inside and outside the school.
- Entry and exit doors will be sanitized throughout the school day.

Transportation

- All students riding the bus will be assigned seats.
- All students riding the bus will be required to wear a face mask or shield.
- Drivers will wear face coverings.
- Exceptions in unique student circumstances will be considered on a case by case basis by transportation personnel and Principal as needed.
- All busses will be sanitized at the end of each day or trip.

Restrooms

- Signage will be placed in all restrooms promoting handwashing, sanitation, and teaching proper handwashing techniques.
- Restrooms will be cleaned thoroughly throughout the day.
- High touch areas will be cleaned frequently.

Cafeteria

- Students will report to Lunch in a staggered fashion by grade.
- Students will enter their lunch # on the keypad followed immediately by the use of sanitation prior to entering the lunch serving area.
- Lunch table seating will be designated to socially distance.
- Students will also be encouraged to eat outside, weather permitting, and in the gym during inclement weather.

Large Group Gatherings/Assemblies

- School-wide assemblies will be strongly discouraged.
- Necessary assemblies will be held multiple times with smaller groups.

Sports/Activities

- Sports and activities will follow guidelines prepared by the UHSSA, Emery District, Regional Health Department and the Castle Valley Activities Association.
- Guidelines will be explained and monitored by coaches and advisors.

Outside Activities

- While outside, students are encouraged to social distance and to use Face Coverings when gathered near their peers.
- State and District guidelines will be followed regarding mask wearing outside.

Special Education

- Assigned seating will be used when practical.
- The District will provide face shields or coverings to Special Education teachers, speech and language pathologists, counselors, social workers, and related services providers as needed.
- Reasonable accommodations will be provided for students that are unable to wear face coverings in required settings and have designated such during registration.
- Students will be provided necessary auxiliary aids / PPE to meet their educational and health needs within the least restrictive environment to the maximum extent appropriate.