

Reopening Plans 1.0 - Town Hall

August 5th & 6th, 2020



Meeting Agenda

- I. Opening Prayer
- II. The Importance of In-Person Instruction
- III. SPS-Specific Context & Considerations
- **IV.** In-Person Learning Plan
- V. Remote Learning Plan
- VI. Wrap-Up and Q&A
- VII. Closing Prayer



I. Opening Prayer

Covid-19: A Prayer of Solidarity

For all who have contracted coronavirus, We pray for care and healing...



II. The Importance of In-Person Instruction





Centers for Disease Control and Prevention CDC 24/7: Saving Lives, Protecting People™

The Importance of Reopening America's Schools this Fall

Updated July 23, 2020



Further Expert Support for Safe Reopening in the Fall



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Limitations of Remote Learning

Overwhelming parental support for reopening

Loss of spiritual formation & moral education

Loss of social-emotional supports

Loss of academic rigor

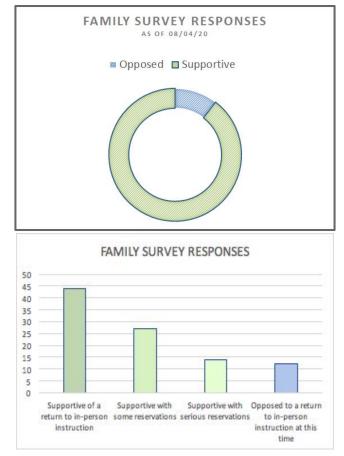
High parental demands

Widening learning gaps



88% of SPS families are supportive of a return to in-person instruction

We will also be prepared to pivot





III. SPS-Specific Context and Considerations

Re-Entry Task Force:

our internal lead-planning team





Special thanks: SPS Staff, SPS Board, SPS PA, Tom Haferd (SPCS), Annie Smith (CSO), Candyce Dostert (CPS), & many more!

Scientific Review Subcommittee:

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an all-star team of medical and healthcare experts



Additional thanks our Operations (Sara Schumann, Fernando Ferreira, Fred Olsen, Dan Appugliese) and Community Culture Subcommittees (Pia Cisternino, Eva Genel, Rebecca Joyce, Linda Irwin)

Advantages of SPS







IV. In-Person Learning Plan

1. Masks for All

What will this mean?

- Masks generally worn all day
- 3 mask breaks @6 ft. apart (20 mins in AM & PM, 15 mins at lunch)
- Establishing new school norms





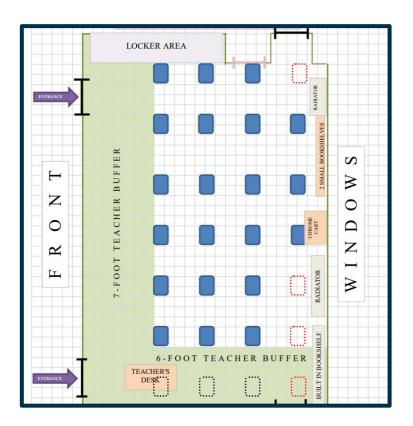




2. Physical Distancing

What will this mean?

- Desks positioned 3+ feet apart
- Desks facing the same way
- 6-8 ft. Teacher "Buffer" Zones for rotating teachers
- Enrollment caps



Space Transitions:



Previous Use	Development Office	6th Grade Classroom	НТС	Science Lab	Art Room	Music Room	Cafeteria	Gym
New Use	Comfort Room	5th Grade Overflow Space	6th Grade Classroom	6th Grade Overflow Space	TBD (likely Staff Space)	TBD (likely Staff Space)	Mask Break Space	Mask Break Space

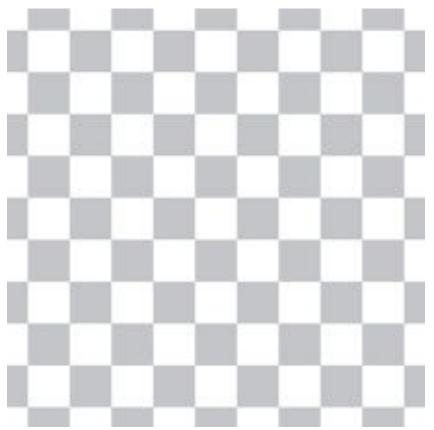






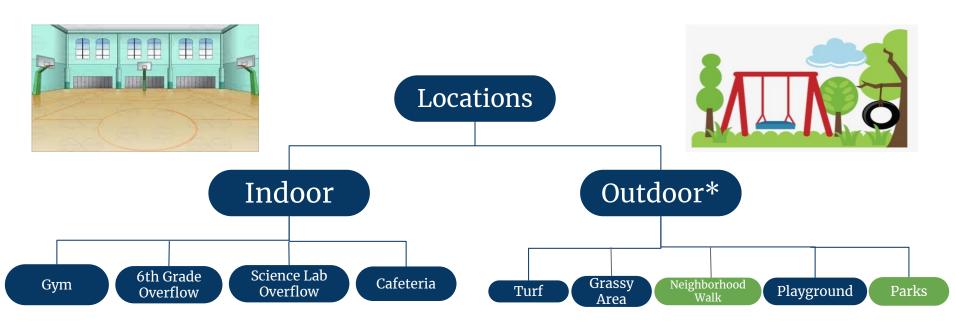
3. Isolated Student Cohorts What will this mean?

- Lunch in classrooms (the "checkerboard method")
- Students report directly to HR upon arrival
- Mask breaks & recess in separate locations
- Staggered lunch, mask break, and recess times
- No outside visitors into classrooms



Mask Break Spaces Explained





Green spaces can (and should) be used at teacher discretion



4. Heightened Hygiene & Sanitation

What will this mean?

- Discouraged sharing of supplies and materials
- Nightly cleaning and disinfecting
- Routine hand hygiene
- Hourly bathroom cleaning
- No student use of printers and copiers
- No carpets or rugs



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5. HVAC Update

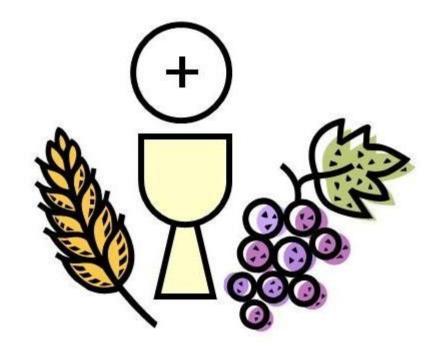
What will this mean?

- Open windows
- New filters
- Service contract





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6. Instructional & Scheduling Shifts

- 1. All-School Mass: limited capacity
- 2. Music: postponed
- 3. **PE:** reimagined
- 4. **Core Instructional Time:** reduced slightly (to accommodate extra breaks)

7. Operational "Flow": expect these things to look differently

- Student transitions
- Arrival & dismissal
- One-way stairwells
- Mask break/recess directional flows
- Student storage







Buckingham Entrance Arrival: K1–6th Walkers & Bikers Dismissal: 1st & 2nd Graders

> St. Peter School Temporarily closed



Church Lot Entrance Arrival: All Car Drop-Offs Dismissal: K1, K2, & 6th Graders

Middle School Entrance Arrival: All 7th & 8th Graders Dismissal: 7th & 8th Graders

TENTATIVE DROP-OFF & PICK-UP LOCATIONS*

Final Arrival and Dismissal Times TBD



DRAFT Response Protocol – NOT FINAL

1. Isolate	2. Test	3. Confirm and Communicate	4. Quarantine & Remote Learning	5. Return
If an individual exhibits symptoms, they need to isolate:	Once an individual has left the SPS campus, they need to get tested (or self-quarantine for 14 days):	If the test result is: <u>NEGATIVE:</u> Return to school once asymptomatic for 24	If a test is confirmed positive: GRADE LEVEL: Pivot	After quarantine and/or a negative test, students and staff will be welcomed back for in-person learning
STAY HOME OR GO TO NURSE AND STAY IN COMFORT ROOM	 NEARBY TESTING CENTERS: FRESH POND INMAN SQUARE SOMERVILLE 	hours POSITIVE: Individual: stay in isolation for at least 10 days and until at least 3 days have passed with no fever & improvement of symptoms SPS: communicate to grade-level families	to remote learning for 1 week CLASSMATES & TEACHER(S): Get tested	

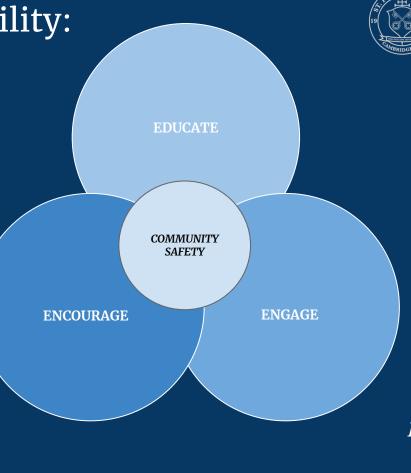


Easing the Transition to the "New Normal"

Plan	Action Step	Outcome
Norming	Building in significant "training time" to the first few weeks of school	Familiarizing students and staff with new protocols and procedures
Supporting	Offering G.R.O.W., a new social-emotional special	Equipping our students with skills and resources to navigate this challenging and uncertain time (and beyond!)
Reminding	Developing and implementing school policies that build our students up; avoiding punitive consequences	Empowering students to prioritize our communal well-being

Shared Responsibility:

what parents and families can do to keep our students and staff safe



Please be mindful of Governor Baker's Mandatory Travel Order* (effective 08/01/20)

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*exceptions for CT, HI, ME, NH, NJ, NY, and VT



V. Remote Learning Plan

1. Google Classroom

Expectations:

- Consistent format and use across grade-level groups (K1-1, 2-4, 5-8)
- Posting and collecting of all assignments and tests on Google Classroom

Rationale:

• Many parents were confused about where to look for lessons, assignments, and homework

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• Many parents were confused about where to turn in assignments



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2. Daily & Weekly Schedule

Expectations:

- Consistent
- Communicated to parents and posted before start of school year

Rationale:

• This will make any transition or pivoting much smoother and much more manageable



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3. Synchronous Learning

Expectations* (DRAFT – NOT FINAL)

Full-Class Daily Expectations (all w/ 15-min breaks):

- K1-1: at least 1 hour per day
- 2-4: at least 1.5 hours per day
- 5-8: at least 2 hours per day

Check-in Expectations:

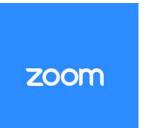
- K1-1: 1x per week per student (15 mins)
- 2-4: 1x per week in small groups (30 mins)
- 5-8: 1x per week in small groups (30 mins)

"Office Hour" Expectations:

- K1-1: 2.5 hours per week
- 2-4: 3 hours per week
- 5-8: 3.5 hours per week

Rationale:

- 43% of families reported *too little* synchronous instructional time
- Only 7% of families reported *too much* synchronous instructional time







4. Asynchronous Learning & Homework

Daily Expectations* (DRAFT - NOT FINAL)

- K1-1: at least 1 hour per day
- 2-4: at least 1.5 hours per day
- 5-8: at least 2 hours per day
- **KEY:** Collecting and providing feedback on assignments

Rationale:

 Most parents reported that it was helpful for their children to have clearly assigned work and projects

5. Grading Policy

Daily Expectations:

• Classes will maintain standard grading policies and level of accountability/rigor

Rationale:

• Remote learning should maintain our high level of accountability and academic rigor



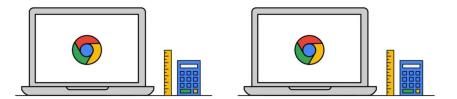




6. Technology

Thanks to generous support from our benefactors, we will continue providing 1:1 Chromebooks

*expect a revised technology waiver later this month







VI. Wrap-Up and Q&A

September In-Service Schedule (tentative)





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Tuesday, September 1st	Wednesday, September 2nd	Thursday, September 3rd
AM: Welcome & Team-Building	AM: Schedule Overview & Grade-Level Collaboration Time	AM: Google Classroom & G-Suite PD
PM: Reopening Procedures & Protocols	PM: Engaging Students & Families Remotely PD W HARVARD Kennedy School	PM: Classroom Set-up & Individual Work Time



Q & A Please write your questions into the chat

Closing Prayer





(from morning prayer for the Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord, August 6)

O God, whom no eye has ever seen, you have revealed your glory in the transfigured face of your Son. Through his voice, you have spoken your Word to us. Give light to our eyes; make us attentive to the Gospel, for in baptism we have become his brothers and sisters and your children. Hear us through this same beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen.

Our Father...

St. Peter the Apostle, Pray for us.