



SALMON RIVER CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Salmon River Parents, Students, Staff and Community,

As we plan for the 2021-2022 school year, we recognize that the ever-changing information surrounding COVID-19 may have caused some confusion for our families, staff, and students. We also recognize that this coming year will be a challenge as the pandemic continues, but with a new year comes a new plan. This year, we have reworked our method of notifying our school community about positive COVID-19 cases, COVID-19 policy changes within our school district as well as other related information.

All COVID-19 positive cases will be reported weekly and this information will be found on our website <https://www.srk12.org/covid-19/>

Just as we did last school year, we will continue to have the following measures in place:

- All staff, students and visitors will be required to wear masks indoors and on school buses
- Social distancing will be observed of 3 feet to the greatest extent possible
- Students and staff will complete screenings daily prior to entering the building
- Deep cleaning will be done nightly
- Students and staff will be expected to wash hands/hand sanitize prior to entering and exiting rooms
- Outdoor sports will not require masks, while indoor sports athletes and spectators will require masks be worn

There are also a few changes for this coming year, including:

- Instruction will be provided in-person 5 days a week for all students starting at 8am
- A remote option through FEH BOCES will be offered based on medical diagnosis
- The District will work in conjunction with FEH BOCES to test symptomatic staff and students with parental consent
- After school activities as well as before and after school latchkey will be offered

Our decisions are based upon Science, the CDC, the NYS Department of Health and the NYSED. Fully endorsed by Governor Hochul and the Franklin County Department of Health, the District will follow the NYS Education Department guidance provided in a document titled, [Health and Safety Guide for the 2021-2022 School Year](#) to ensure the health and safety of everyone in our schools. While no one can predict the challenges we will face over the coming months, it is extremely essential that we plan for a safe and orderly return to school.

In these challenging times, rest assured that the District's priority is protecting the health, welfare, and safety of students and staff while complying with any government orders and guidance related to the opening of schools.

Please join us in doing everything that we can do to stop the COVID-19 spread. The pandemic has been a long, hard road already, but our aim is that everyone will help us keep our kids in school where they belong.

We appreciate all that each and every one of you has done so far to get us through the pandemic, and we appreciate everything you will do as we move forward. We look forward to welcoming back all of our students and staff on September 7th at 8am in all of our buildings.

Sincerely,

Dr. Stanley Harper