

Sunman-Dearborn Community Schools COVID-19 Re-Entry Plan 2020-2021 School Year Executive Summary



The Board of Education, administration, and staff are looking forward to welcoming our students back to school on Wednesday, August 5th.

The **Executive Summary** is provided for your convenience as a short summary of the full re-entry plan. For complete details, parents and members of the community are encouraged to go to the COVID-19 webpage for full details. The full re-entry plan will be recommended for board approval at the July 9th board meeting, and posted on the Sunman-Dearborn COVID-19 webpage on July 10th.

Guiding Principles

- 1. We are committed to the growth of the whole child intellectually, socially, and emotionally.
- 2. We will maintain a safe and healthy environment. However, safety protocols cannot be so extensive as to damage the growth of the whole child particularly socially and emotionally.
- 3. We will be flexible and agile. The dynamics of COVID-19 are fast changing. We must be able to respond quickly and efficiently.

Face Masks/Face Coverings

- Face masks are not required, however all students and staff are strongly encouraged to wear masks.
- Some staff will be required to wear face masks and additional PPE.

School/Classroom Cleaning and Sanitizing Procedures

• All classroom and school areas will be cleaned and sanitized throughout the day, including; classrooms, restrooms, PE locker rooms, playground equipment, office areas, and school clinics.

School Calendar

- Planned e-learning days will be added during Fall Break and the first week of Spring
 Break to compact the calendar, and to allow for additional traditional days of instruction
 to be added to the end of the school year, while still completing the school year by the
 end of May.
- Additional time will be provided for students who are on vacation during these times.

Student Transportation Protocols

- All buses and transportation vehicles have been thoroughly cleaned and disinfected to start the school year.
- All buses and transportation vehicles will be thoroughly cleaned and disinfected before route.
- All students will be given an assigned seat and socially distanced, as feasible.
- Students are required to face forward and stay seated in their assigned seats for the entire route.
- No modifications to the school bus (e.g. physical barriers, mounted hand sanitizing stations, mounted temperature scanners, etc.) are allowed on school or special purpose buses for COVID-19 due to conflicts with federal motor vehicle safety standards.

Attendance Guidelines - Students

The biggest impact parents can have on preventing the spread of COVID-19 in the school and to limit exposure to others is to keep their child home when exhibiting COVID-19 symptoms. This cannot be overstated.

Attendance policies have been modified to allow for extended absences for any student who is COVID-19 positive, exhibiting COVID-19 symptoms, or has been in contact with someone COVID-19 positive or who is exhibiting COVID-19 positive.

All parents are required to self-screen students (temperature check-fever 100.4 or more and COVID-19 symptoms), each day prior to school.

The school will follow the Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) document dated June 26, 2020 and titled: "COVID-19: When a Student, Faculty or Staff Member Can Return to School"

Sunman-Dearborn Online Academy

The Sunman-Dearborn Online Academy (S-DOA) is a robust, fully online option for any parent or student. More information can be found online on the Sunman-Dearborn Online Academy website at www.sdoa.us.

In addition to the information above, the full re-entry plan addresses the following areas:

- Social Distancing Protocols and Healthy Practices Students
- Social Distancing Protocols and Healthy Practices Staff/Visitors
- Cafeteria Procedures
- Health Protocols Students and Staff
- Isolated Clinic Space COVID-19 Symptomatic Students and Staff
- Confirmed Case of COVID-19 on School Property
- Preventative Measures
- Attendance Guidelines Staff
- Special Education Considerations
- Sunman-Dearborn Online Academy Information
- Co-Curricular/Extra-Curricular Procedures