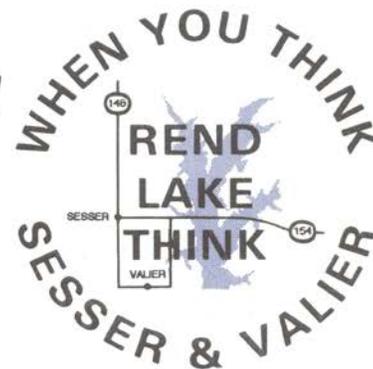


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### DISTRICT RETURN-TO-LEARN REOPENING PLAN

#### Parent Summary

July 30, 2020

We have prepared the following parent summary of the District's Return-to-Learn Reopening Plan for your convenience and review. A full copy of the District's plan is available on the District's website at [www.sv196.org](http://www.sv196.org). As you likely already know, federal, state, and local guidance is changing rapidly during the COVID-19 pandemic. As a result, updates to our plans and procedures for the 2020-2021 school year may be modified on short notice.

#### Major Points of Return-to-Learn Plan

- SV196 is subject to Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) and Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) rules/regulations/guidance as follows:
  - All individuals (students and staff members) must wear a face covering at all times to gain entry to and remain in the school building.
  - Social distance (6' or more separation) must be observed as much as possible in all areas of the school campus.
  - The gathering of 50 or more individuals in one space (e.g. school bus, classroom, hallway areas, etc.) is not permitted.
- The District's ultimate goal is to return to full, in-person attendance as soon as health/safety circumstances will allow. That is not possible now.
- The 2020-2021 school year will begin on the following schedule:
  - **Monday, August 17, 2020:** Teacher Workshop Day (no student attendance)
  - **Tuesday, August 18, 2020:** Teacher Workshop Day (no student attendance)
  - **Wednesday, August 19, 2020:** Remote Learning Planning Day (no student attendance)
  - **Thursday, August 20, 2020:** First Day of Student Attendance
    - Learning Group A attends school in-person
    - Learning Group B attends school remotely
  - **Friday, August 21, 2020:** Second Day of Student Attendance
    - Learning Group A attends school remotely
    - Learning Group B attends school in-person

- SV196 will open school using a Blended Learning Model (mixture of some in-person instruction and some remote instruction). All students will be assigned to one of two learning groups (Learning Group A & Learning Group B). Each learning group will be approximately ½ of the student body. Significant efforts will be made to assign learning groups by family.
- Learning Group A and Learning Group B will attend school on the following weekly schedule (5-day week; unless otherwise directed by the building principal):

|                  | Monday             | Tuesday            | Wednesday       | Thursday           | Friday             |
|------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Learning Group A | In-Person Learning | Remote Learning    | Remote Learning | In-Person Learning | Remote Learning    |
| Learning Group B | Remote Learning    | In-Person Learning | Remote Learning | Remote Learning    | In-Person Learning |

In-Person Learning (Physically Present at School)

Remote Learning (Not Physically Present at School, but Virtually Connected to Class(es))

- All students are expected to attend (in-person or remotely) school daily and follow the reopening plan. Students with medical conditions/physician’s certificates regarding in-person attendance will be assigned to full remote learning (see below).
- The daily schedule for students and staff members will be as follows:
  - 8:00 AM—Students begin arriving (in-person or remote); check-in at designated entry points; proceed directly to assigned classroom (breakfast available in classroom; lunch available in classroom)
  - 1:00 PM—In-person learning dismissal time
  - 1:00 PM—Staff lunch period begins
  - 1:45 PM—Afternoon remote learning availability begins
  - 2:45 PM—Afternoon remote learning availability ends
  - 2:45 PM—Staff common preparation time begins
  - 3:30 PM—End-of-school day
- Parents may choose/”opt-in” for a Full Remote Learning Option in lieu of the Blended Learning Model.** Prior to the first day of school, parents will be asked to choose either “blended learning” or “full remote learning” for their child(ren) to start the school year. Parents/students who choose “full remote learning” will be required to maintain that choice/status until quarter breaks unless otherwise approved by the building principal.
- In all learning models, District grading policies/practices are fully in-force as outlined in schools’ student/parent handbooks. All district students are accountable for completion of all school work as assigned, and that work will be graded (i.e. not pass/fail; not “incomplete”). All district students are accountable for engaging in both in-person and remote learning days to ensure continuity of learning.
- Durham School Services personnel will sanitize school buses on a regular basis. No more than 50 individuals may be on a bus at one time. All individuals on a bus must wear a face covering. All bus riders will have assigned seats, and students from the

same household will be assigned to sit together. Students who are not wearing a face covering will not be allowed to ride a district-provided bus.

- Students and staff members are required to complete a symptom screening/temperature check self-certification (electronic or, if necessary, paper) **prior to bus/building entry** each day (TeacherEase method under development).
- Students/parents “attending” remotely are required to log on to TeacherEase daily to record student attendance, unless otherwise directed by the building principal.
- District personnel will complete additional classroom/building/common area cleaning/disinfection protocols regularly. District personnel will also teach good personal hygiene/sanitization practices.
- District personnel will follow state and local health guidance/regulations in the event a student or staff member tests positive for COVID-19.
- Students and/or staff members who are sick should not attend school in-person.
- Lockers will not be used. Student backpacks will be allowed.
- Drinking fountains will not be used. Students should bring reusable water bottles. Water bottle filling stations will be available. Age-appropriate filling stations will be available throughout the school day.
- The District’s COVID-19 Planning Team will review the return-to-learn reopening plan and procedures on or about Friday, September 4, 2020, and determine if modifications/adjustments to the plan are needed. The District will provide timely, advance notice of possible modifications to parents as soon as possible.
- All information/procedures in this summary are subject to both ISBE and IDPH guidelines and may change at any time as directed or recommended by these state or other local agencies.
- Questions regarding the District’s Return-to-Learn Reopening Plan can be submitted to [covid-19@sv196.org](mailto:covid-19@sv196.org). District personnel will forward the question(s) to the staff member most responsible for the subject/question, and that person will respond. Frequently asked questions (FAQ) will be included in an FAQ document that will be updated regularly on the District’s website ([www.sv196.org](http://www.sv196.org)).