

Superintendent's Re-Opening Update – COVID-19

(2020-21)

IMPORTANT (Time Sensitive): Registration Information Needed by August 17

You should have received an email from your child's building principal asking you to email answers to the following questions. Please be sure to do so no later than August 17 so we can finalize the groupings of the students

1. Please email or call if your child or children wish to access the online-only option this fall.
2. Please email or call if there are any special considerations that you would like us to know about as we finish assigning the A and B groupings in the hybrid model. For example, please let us know if you have specific childcare or work related scheduling issues. (Note: students with special needs are being considered on an individual basis, and families will be contacted by case managers.)
3. Please email or call if your child or children will not be attending Moscow schools this fall.

COVID-19 Pandemic Task Force Information:

Documents and procedures are nearing completion by each subcommittee. These documents will be reviewed by the Oversight committee, and then sent to regional health officials for their review and approval. When these documents are completed, they will be located on our district's website (see website information below). Once this is complete a supplemental handbook will be provided to each family and be located on our website.

There have been many questions about how the school will respond when a positive COVID-19 case is identified. The MSD281 Health and Safety Committee is developing a guideline, with the assistance of the medical community and public health, which will detail the response to a positive COVID-19 case within our schools. A finalized plan will be released to all parents, students, and staff prior to the start of school. The committee feels thus far that the extensive work we are doing to modify schedules and reduce class sizes will enable us to minimize, as much as possible, school-wide closures and class disruptions when we do experience a positive COVID-19 case.

Committees

- Oversight Committee - Greg Bailey (Chair)

Subcommittees

- Teaching/Learning/Assessment - Carrie Brooks (Chair)
- Finance and Workforce Management - Jenn Johnson (Chair)
- Technology - Charlie Gerke (Chair)
- Social & Emotional Well-Being – Home and School - Kim Mikolajczyk (Chair)
- Communication - Teri Summers (Co-Chair) /Erik Perryman (Co-Chair)
- Special Programs - Shannon Richards (Chair)
- Operations: Transportation/Nutrition/ Facilities - Charlie Gerke (Chair)
- Operations: Health and Safety - Bill Holman (Chair)
- Operations: Attendance/Calendar/Schedules - Kendra McMillan (Chair)
- Extra-Curricular/Activities/Events - Lance Abendroth (Co-Chair) /Erik Perryman (Co-Chair)

New Website:

With the help from our Communication subcommittee, we are making improvements and updates to the main page. We have redesigned information under the tab, "COVID-19 Information for 2020/21", to help you in gathering the needed information that will keep you up to date regarding what the district is doing to reduce the impact of COVID-19. This tab will be where all future information and documents regarding COVID-19 will be located. This website update will become live by the evening of Wednesday, August 12.

Community Chat with Superintendent (3rd Meeting)

Please join me for the third Community Chat with the Superintendent on Wednesday, August 12 at 6:00pm at the following Zoom Address:

Join from a PC, Mac, iPad, iPhone or Android device:

Please click this URL to join.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81650005731?pwd=QlVmRFRYQkFhbTYrMnRpK3AyeDZzQT09>

Passcode: BYqbQ5

Or join by phone:

Dial(for higher quality, dial a number based on your current location):

US: +1 253 215 8782 or +1 669 900 6833 or +1 346 248 7799 or +1 301 715 8592 or +1 312 626 6799 or +1 929 205 6099

Webinar ID: 816 5000 5731

Passcode: 610488

International numbers available: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/kdRfApZYAZ>

Sincerely,

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