



**Santa Gertrudis ISD**

# Return to School Plan 2022-2023

(Updated February 8, 2023)



## Governor Greg Abbott GA 36 – Executive Order

Relating to prohibition of governmental entities and officials from mandating face coverings or restricting activities in response to the COVID-19 disaster.

- Public schools may continue to follow policies regarding the wearing of face coverings to the extent reflected in current guidance by the Texas Education Agency, until June 4, 2021.
- The Texas Education Agency shall revise its guidance such that, effective 11:59 p.m. on June 4, 2021 no student, teacher, parent, or other staff member or visitor may be required to wear a face covering.
- Failure to comply with this executive order that is subject to a fine up to \$1,000.

## COVID-Masks optional

### Students-

- No more virtual
- Students will be marked absent whether they are quarantined or positive.
- Attendance committee will determine whether credit is awarded

### Staff-

- No more FFCRA
- Absences will require use of personal days positive for COVID

## Return Plan Overview

Students will attend school in person, five days a week. Classroom teachers will provide in-person learning and will no longer support both face to face and virtual students simultaneously.

## Return to Face to Face Instruction

We are encouraged by the improved conditions surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic, including the relatively low transmission rate within our community and information provided by the CDC.

We look forward to seeing all students attending classes on our campuses for the upcoming school year.

We are focusing our efforts on providing an excellent educational experience for students that support their social, emotional, and academic growth.

## Plan Goal

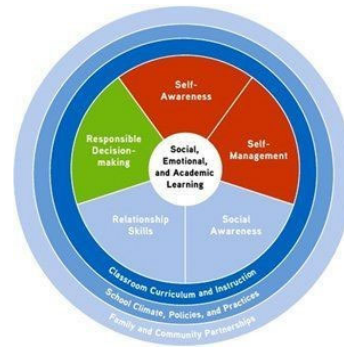
- Students will return to campuses for in-person learning to include hands-on activities, small group intervention, station rotations and teacher one-on-one support.
- In addition, we anticipate all extracurricular activities to resume for students to include athletics, fine arts, UIL, clubs, etc.
- We will evaluate students and provide an intervention plan to address learning loss that may have occurred during the COVID-19 pandemic.

# Daily Social Emotional Learning

**Social-emotional learning** (SEL) is the process of developing the self-awareness, self-control, and interpersonal skills that are vital for school, work, and life success. People with strong **social-emotional** skills are better able to cope with everyday challenges and benefit academically, professionally, and socially.

Teachers will be trained in Capturing Kids Hearts strategies for use in the classroom:

- Relationship Building Activities
- Morning Greetings
- Class Meetings



Our Counselors will provide a more comprehensive list for you to do in the classroom across the grade levels. Counselors will also be exploring some of these activities with students during lessons.

## Instruction-Day to day

Students will be in person and engaged in learning with:

- Teacher directed whole group lessons
- Small group purposeful talk
- Teacher small group intervention
- Students engaged in station rotations
- Collaborative learning groups



## Continuity of Services: Response to Interventions (RTI) Process

RTI is a form of supplemental instruction provided in tiers. It provides the “systematic” implementation of a research-based intervention for the child who struggles and the evaluation of the child’s response to it.

## Learning Loss Interventions:

- Imbedded In-Class Interventions
- Tutoring
- Summer School
- Target Instruction identified through the Professional Learning Communities

**High dose of intervention to address learning loss due to Covid-19**

## Hallway Transitions

- Hand Sanitizing Stations Available
- Elementary Transition to Resume Normal Systems and Protocols

# Recess Safety Protocols

Face Mask OPTIONAL

- Frequently touched areas or items disinfected regularly (i.e. sporting equipment, jungle gyms, gaming items).
- Hand washing and/or hand sanitizing rituals and routines must be in place. All students must wash their hands prior to returning to the classroom and especially before eating.

## Food Services: Breakfast and Lunch

Breakfast and lunch systems to include physical distancing when possible and sanitizing protocols

## Mealtime Best Practices

- Ensure students are not sharing food or utensils
- Use disposable food service paper goods
- Wash hands with soap and water or utilize hand sanitizer before and after eating
- Administration and adult supervision/presence to reinforce mealtime safety measures
- Cafeteria teams will continue to clean and sanitize dining areas to include tables, seats, and floors as time allows in between meal services.

## Volunteers

- At Principal's' discretion, volunteers are permitted on campus as needed for school projects, meetings, and events.
- Volunteers should stay in designated areas and follow all campus protocols.
- All volunteers must complete an online application that includes a background check.

## Visitors

Continue to check in visitors through security system

Visitors will be asked to monitor themselves with regards to COVID systems.



# School Calendar

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Approved Feb.24, 2020

### 2021-2022 School Calendar

1<sup>st</sup> Qtr-Jul. 28<sup>th</sup> – Sept. 30<sup>th</sup> 45 days  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Qtr-Oct. 12<sup>th</sup> – Dec. 17<sup>th</sup> 43 days  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Qtr-Jan. 4<sup>th</sup> – Mar. 11<sup>th</sup> 45 days  
 4<sup>th</sup> Qtr-Mar. 21<sup>st</sup> – May 20<sup>th</sup> 43 days  
 176 days

**Staff**

**Teacher**

**Holidays**

Labor Day Sept. 6<sup>th</sup>  
 Thanksgiving Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup>-26<sup>th</sup>  
 Christmas Dec. 20<sup>th</sup>-Jan. 3<sup>rd</sup>  
 Martin L. King Jan. 17<sup>th</sup>  
 Livestock Show Feb 3<sup>rd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup>  
 Easter April 15<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>

**Testing**

PSAT Oct. 13<sup>th</sup>  
 Fall EOC-AHS Dec. 7<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup>  
 Math 5<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> April 5<sup>th</sup>  
 Reading 5<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> April 6<sup>th</sup>  
 Engl I EOC April 5<sup>th</sup>  
 Engl II EOC April 7<sup>th</sup>  
 Spring EOC May 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>  
 Spring STAAR May 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>  
 Spring STAAR May 10<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup>

**Intercession**

October 4<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup>  
 March 14<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup>


**Early Release**

December 17<sup>th</sup>  
 February 2  
 May 20<sup>th</sup>

**Bad Weather**

January 17<sup>th</sup> and April 18<sup>th</sup>

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Amended 6/24/2021

## 2022-2023 Band, Mariachi, Jazz Band, Color Guard, Areilles Procedures

- Students will return to in person class work and rehearsals.
- Playing masks and music PPE will be made available for students that wish to utilize them.
- Hand sanitizer, mouthpiece sterilizer and instrument disinfectant will be available.
- Air purifiers with HEPA- rated filters will be utilized for indoor rehearsals.
- Frequent playing breaks for indoor rehearsals to allow for air exchange.
- Sharing of water bottles and food containers will be prohibited.
- Sharing of instruments will be prohibited where applicable and extra sanitizing procedures in place when sharing is a necessity.
- All UIL and CDC guidelines will be followed.
- All SGISD Procedures will be followed.

## Athletic Period and UIL Sports

**OBJECTIVE-** The health & safety of all students & staff is the top priority as we proceed with the training of our athletes. With all of our students returning to face to face instruction we will continue to use CDC and UIL guidance in making decisions that will above all, keep our athletes/staff safe.

1. Parents will not send a student to participate in UIL activities if the student has Covid-19 symptoms.
2. SGISD will follow the safety rules set forth by the UIL in accordance with their respective sport.
3. Students will report to coaches and to SGISD if they have been exposed to someone lab-confirmed with Covid-19 or if they themselves have tested positive for Covid-19. Approved District guidelines will determine return to play.
4. Students will be required to bring their own water to practice and will continue to wash their own clothes.
5. Coaches will rotate students through locker rooms before and after workouts to limit the number of students.

### **SANITATION**

- Facility Cleaning: All facilities that are used during practices/games will be thoroughly sanitized and disinfected.
- District has purchased a Germ-Wrap disinfecting sprayer system for every campus at SGISD.
- Equipment: Workout and sport specific equipment will be sanitized between groups/workouts.
- Air Purification equipment will be utilized in common areas like the weight rooms, locker rooms and gymnasium.

## PPE Available for 2021-2022 School Year

- Hand Sanitizer
- Disinfecting Solution, Spray Bottles & Paper Towels
- Disinfecting Wipes – Use Gloves or Wash Hands
- Disposable and Personal Masks (upon request)

## 2022-2023 Nurse's Office Procedures

- Temperature will be taken for any student who is feeling sick and/or presenting with signs and symptoms of COVID-19.
  - The use of oral, tympanic or touchless thermometer will be used as the nurse sees fit per individual situation.
- Nursing staff will use nursing judgment on whether to send a student home based on individual signs and symptoms.
  - Standard practice will continue to be used when fever, vomiting or diarrhea are present. ●  
Nursing staff will disinfect medical beds, and medical equipment after each use.
- Disposable masks will be available for students or staff to use upon request.
- Hand sanitizer station available upon entrance and exit of nursing office.

## Transportation

- Before picking up students, buses will be sanitized daily before starting route.
- Hand sanitizer will be available for students to use before boarding and exiting the bus.
- After dropping off students at their designated arrival location, the bus seats/rails will be sanitized.
- Every Friday, the electrostatic sprayer will be used to disinfect the interior of each bus.

## Transportation (continued)

- Ridership will remain at typical district capacity. Students will be physically distanced as space permits. If space is limited, two students will be assigned per seat.
- Students are always required to remain seated and keep their hands and arms to themselves.
- Students should not touch each other or share any items.
- Bus drivers will have extra disposable masks to provide students that request one.
- Safety and health measures may be adjusted due to CDC and Local Health Authority updates.

# Cleaning, Sanitizing and Disinfecting

## Cleaning

- To clean something means to remove all the visible contaminations on the surface, including dirt, spills, food particles, dust, etc., by washing, brushing, or wiping the area. This process is surface level and does not eliminate germs but can help reduce their numbers. This is expected to be the first step in the cleaning process.



# Cleaning, Sanitizing and Disinfecting

## Sanitizing

- Sanitizing means to reduce the number of microorganisms like bacteria, viruses, and fungi on a surface after it has been cleaned. The sanitizer used must reduce the number of bacteria to the level that is deemed safe by the public health standards. To meet CDC requirements, sanitizing chemicals must kill 99.999% of the test bacteria in under 30 seconds.
- Although sanitizing reduces the growth of harmful bacteria, it does not kill all the viruses on a surface. Sanitizing is meant to be used as a preventative measure and is an extremely important practice in restaurants, schools, corporate offices, and hospitals. Every surface that encounters food should be sanitized regularly, often several times a day. Food grade products are used to sanitize.

# Cleaning, Sanitizing and Disinfecting

## Disinfecting

- To disinfect means to kill specific viruses and pathogens on a surface using a disinfectant. These cleaning agents must kill 99.999% of infectious bacteria, viruses, and fungi within a 5 to 10-minute period. It is recommended to disinfect frequently touched surfaces. Bathrooms should always be disinfected due to the pathogens those surfaces can harbor that can lead to the spread of disease.

Common disinfectants include:

- Bleach
- Alcohol
- Chlorine

## 2022-23 Safety / Wellness Protocols:

- Cleaning, Sanitizing and Disinfecting of Facilities – consistently and routinely
- Personal Hygiene -handwashing and respiratory etiquette
- Face Masks -Optional (i.e. GA36 and TEA School Health Operations Requirements)
- Physical Distancing – base on capacity and risk • 3 ft. minimum recommended –
- Elementary (pk-6th): Evidence shows that risk of child-to-child transmission and child-to-adult transmission is very low, particularly when children are younger than 10 years old.
- Middle and High (7th -12th): Vaccinations are available
- Elementary Lunch • Elementary Indoor activities with increased droplet and aerosols production such as singing, band, some sports, etc.
- PPE (i.e. face shields, masks, desk shields, hand sanitizer, etc.) – available upon request
- Vaccinations – highly recommended and available 12yrs +
- Contact Tracing, Isolation and Quarantine



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