

CJSD Re-Opening for In Person Learning
FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS
As of Sept. 15, 2020 (Question #17 Revised)

1. Should we do a home health screening each day prior to our child coming to school?

Yes, we would like each family to do a home health screening and look for the symptoms as outlined in the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) guidance and our Family Communication/Mitigation plan. This is the beginning, and most important element, of our mitigation strategies. If your child exhibits symptoms and is sick, please keep them home and notify the school.

2. Will there be student temperature checks at school?

Yes, when students arrive at school they will report directly to their homeroom and be given a quick “no contact” temperature check. If, after a second time, your child has registered a temperature of 100.4 degrees or higher, our health aide will call to have you pick up your child.

3. Are face coverings required?

All visitors, parents, students and staff will be required to wear face coverings while on campus, as well as on our buses. This is especially important when six feet physical distancing is not feasible. Gaiter/buffs can be worn, but must be two-ply fabric.

4. Will face coverings be provided by the school?

No, face coverings will not be provided by the school. Students will be required to bring their own face covering. For students who cannot afford face coverings, the school can accommodate such needs on a case-by-case basis. See our family communication/mitigation plan for proper washing of face coverings.

5. If my child rides a bus, are they required to wear a face covering?

Yes, children will also be required to sit with their siblings every other seat. We will load from the back to the front of the bus and unload from the front to back.

6. What is the procedure for dropping off my child in the morning?

We ask that you please remain in your vehicle when you drop off your student at the front of the school. Students will go immediately to their homeroom teacher for a temperature check/health screening and will remain in the classroom (unless given permission to go to breakfast) until the beginning of school.

7. Is there anything else my child should bring on the first day besides wearing his/her face covering?

Please have your child bring a water bottle along with their face covering. We will not be utilizing our water fountains, but students will be able to fill up their water bottles throughout the school day.

8. How do I check out my child or bring them in late during the school day?

Please come to the walkup window at the front office in order to sign out your child (or bring them in late). We will then call for your student to come to the office and meet you outside (We request that you do not call ahead of time because, due to physical distancing requirements, there would be no place for your student to wait for your arrival). If you are bringing your child in late after school starts, we will do a temperature check/health screening prior to allowing them to go to class.

9. Will there be physical distancing on campus?

Yes, there will be physical distancing to the highest degree possible. We will use a process called “cohorting”, which will keep students together as a grade level. Classroom desks will be spread out and facing one direction. The cafeteria will provide lunches (no salad bar) and some grade levels will eat outside in open spaces under the eaves, solar panels and soccer field. Lunch and recess times will be staggered with less students during each interval. Students will be directed to physically distance while eating lunch and while on the playground to the greatest extent possible. Lunch and recess will be monitored for physical distancing by staff members. Furthermore, the office staff will utilize a walk-up window for parent interaction prior to allowing folks to enter the office. Space is limited, as you know, and we want to maintain physical distancing.

10. Will there be athletics?

We will follow the policies of the Arizona Interscholastic Association (AIA). At this time, it is undecided if fall sports will be played or not. The Verde Valley Athletic Association is meeting to see if it will be feasible for a fall season.

11. How Will I be notified if there is a confirmed case of COVID at the school?

If a confirmed case of COVID-19 occurs at school all parents and staff in the building will be notified, including specific communication with anyone who may have been directly exposed. Please do not rely on social media rumors as an accurate source of school information.

A confirmed case does not necessarily mean a whole class or school will be impacted, as many of our new procedures (physical distancing, cohort groups) are designed to support contact tracing and containment should a confirmed case of COVID occur. We will be in close contact and rely on the YC Community Health Services for guidance, as they will assist us with this process.

12. Am I allowed to come on campus?

Unfortunately, for now, we are not allowing any parents, visitors or volunteers onto our campus except to go to the front office. We will consider a future change once we feel the conditions allow this to occur.

13. Will there be assemblies and field trips?

As per CDC requirements, we will not have large gatherings such as assemblies or parent nights. Field trips will be approved on a case-by-case basis, given the circumstances and if mitigation efforts can be included (i.e. physical distancing).

14. How will lunch be served?

Our Kdg. and 1st grade students will eat in the cafeteria (separately). Students, grades 2-8, will be eating outside this school year. We have designated specific areas where students will be physically distanced and under shade. Students will eat and go to recess by grade level and will not mix with others.

15. What will recess look like?

We are setting up specific zones on both playgrounds and students will play organized games/activities. This will limit the number of students in one area. Only one grade level at a time will be on the playgrounds at once.

16. What cleaning and disinfecting protocols will be in place once students return?

We will be cleaning and disinfecting each mid-day when students are at lunch and our custodial crew will do the same each day (either evening or morning before school). Door handles, playground equipment and frequently touched surface, including bathrooms, will be disinfected throughout the school day.

17. What will parent drop off and pick up be like?

Click on [After-School Pick-Up Protocols](#) as of 9/15/2020 .

This year, our K-4th grade students will be dismissed at 2:25 and our 5th-8th students will be dismissed at 2:30. We know how the traffic congestion gets at the front of the school, so we are adding a second pickup loading zone behind the soccer field in the big gravel parking lot. This zone will be for our 5th-8th grade students who do not have a K-4 sibling. K-4 students will still be picked up at our normal loading zone in the front of the school along with their older (5-8th grade) siblings. We ask that ALL parents remain in their vehicles during after-school pickup. We will have more specific information in one of our Zoom videos.