

Switzerland County School Corporation

2021-2022 School Year



SCSC return to school guidance

[RETURN TO SCHOOL ACTION PLAN](#)

IDOE INFORMATION

[IDOE IN-CLASS COVID 19 HANDBOOK](#)

Topic	Guidelines
Arrival/Dismissal Procedures	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● <u>Arrival Procedures:</u><ul style="list-style-type: none">○ If your child is experiencing any of the following symptoms you must keep them home and notify the school of their absence.<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ A fever of 100.4 ° F or greater■ Cough■ Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing■ Chills■ Repeated shaking with chills■ Body aches and fatigue■ Headache■ Sore throat■ New loss of taste or smell■ GI symptoms- abdominal Cramping & diarrhea○ If a student comes to school and has a temperature higher than 100.4 they will be required to be picked up and not put on a bus with other students to go home.○ Common areas and hallways will be opened to students when arriving. This will allow students to use larger areas in the building to spread out as much as possible. Supervision will be in each hallway.○ As teachers arrive their classrooms will be open to allow students the ability to move from the halls for greater distancing.○ Please see SCSC return to school action plan page 4 for health protocols.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <u>Self Screening at home is vital for the success of in person learning. We are here to work with parents but parents must keep their children home if they are sick or experiencing any of the above symptoms.</u> ○ There will be no parents allowed in the hallways. All students will be met at the doors by a staff member who will send the student to class without a parent escort.
<p>Student Transportation/ Arrival/Dismissal Procedures</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <u>Busing Procedures:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ All buses will be cleaned and disinfected for both the morning and afternoon route. ○ <u>Students are required to wear masks at all times</u> due to inability to social distance per Federal mandate.. ○ Assigned Seats . ○ <u>Arrival Procedures:</u> ○ Parents of car riders should remain in their cars while staff unload. ○ Breakfast will include grab and go items to reduce the number of students in the cafeteria during breakfast. ● <u>Dismissal Procedures:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Students will dismiss on a staggered schedule based on car rider or bus rider at the elementary level. ○ Bus riders will be loaded into their same assigned seats during dismissal.
<p>Early Dismissal (student specific)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Early pick up <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Parents/Guardians who need to pick up students early from school will need to buzz in at the front door and request the student. Parents must remain outside the building or in the secured entrance areas. The student will be escorted to their parent/guardian by a school staff member to be signed out.
<p>Social Distancing Protocols for Staff and Students</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Masks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Masks are optional for all students grades 3 and up while at school facilities and functions. ○ Staff may have masks and face shields on when working directly with students less than six feet. ○ <u>Students are required to wear masks</u> while riding all school transportation per Federal mandate.
<p>Health Protocols</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Switzerland County Local Health Guidance <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Absences

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Students should stay home if sick. This will require communication with your teacher(s) and the school office.■ Please see SCSC return to school action plan page 3 for more information.○ Sanitation<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Custodians will continue cleaning zone areas within the building. This is in an effort to reduce any cross contamination in the event of a positive case.○ Visitors in the building will be limited.○ Guests to a classroom should be curriculum related and must be preapproved by the principal after a series of checks are made.○ Common areas will be cleaned several times a day (including restrooms).○ Hand Sanitizer will be placed at points of entry for the building and in classrooms.○ Students will be provided frequent opportunities throughout the day to wash hands or use sanitizer.● Sanitizing & Disinfecting<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ SCSC will follow CDC and County Health officer guidelines for approved cleaning materials.● Water<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Water stations are being added to each fountain area. Access for bottle refills will be provided, NO water fountains this year.● PUI (People under investigation)<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ The school nurse will be required to report to the state and local Health Department anyone notifying the school they are positive or a family member who is positive.○ If someone tests positive the school and health department will conduct contact tracing steps. The school will assist with any seating charts or team attendance for those needing notified by the Health Department.○ For those that test positive or are close contacts under 3 feet for more than 15 minutes will be excluded 5 calendar days if they have not been vaccinated. After the initial 5 days they will continue to wear a mask for 5 days when around others. If vaccinated or have been boosted within six (6) months, there is
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	<p>no exclusion period but will need to wear a mask around others for 10 days.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ We have made the decision to no longer require students to quarantine if they are considered a close contact, unless under 3 feet more than 15 minutes, unless it has been 14 days or more since your second vaccination shot or tested positive for COVID in the previous 90 days. . ○ See SCSC return to school action plan page 3 for more information. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Field Trip <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ All field trips must be pre approved. ○ Face covering policy for the venue will be followed. ○ Face coverings are required on buses at all times per Federal mandate. ○ No student will be required to attend. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Exclusion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Students within 0-3 feet longer than 15 minutes are still required to quarantine unless it has been 14 days or more from their second vaccination shot or tested positive in the previous 90 days. ○ Students greater than 6 feet are not required to quarantine unless they test positive. ● ○ Please note, bus riders who share a seat will be required to quarantine. Those in seats around a positive person, more than 3 feet and properly wearing a face covering will NOT be required to quarantine. ● In the academic setting, <u>parties must properly wear face coverings while in close contact</u> (3 feet to 6 feet) with a positive person at school, to meet the guideline to not be required to quarantine.
<p>Extra-curricular and Co-curricular activities</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● If you are excluded from school you cannot attend activities. ● If a shut down is required all activities may be canceled or postponed.
<p>Recess</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Playground areas will be used by grade level or class groupings to lower the number of students on the playground at one time. ● All playground equipment will be sprayed or wiped with a disinfectant each morning. ● Students will be provided hand sanitizer or a restroom break for handwashing at both the beginning and end of recess .
<p>Classroom Setup</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Social Distancing guidance will be applied when possible.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Students will have assigned seats and designated locker or cubby areas for personal materials. ● Limit personal items that would be transported to and from school. ● Special Education details can be found on pg 14 of the SCSC return to school action plan.
<p>Means of Communication Guidance</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Families - Website, Social Media, School Messenger, Class Dojo, School App ● Gather emails during registration for mass email communication <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Please ensure we have the correct phone number and email in Skyward.
<p>Breakfast/ Lunch</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Additional lunch periods have been added to reduce cafeteria student use at one time. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ No more than 150 students per lunch period at any location. ○ Assigned seats will be created for all cafeteria students. ○ Students will be seated no closer than every other seat WHEN possible. ○ Medically fragile students will be served separately from other students. The school principal should be contacted if accommodated meal or meal time is needed. ○ All students will receive a lanyard and ID card. These will be scanned for student lunch accounts. (no touch transaction, no keypad needed) ○ Any parent supplied items for students should come individually wrapped in pre-package unopened boxes.
<p>Electives/Specials</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Shared equipment will be cleaned after each class. ● Elective courses will limit the sharing of materials when possible.
<p>Technology & Materials</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Students will have individual, assigned devices. ● There will be no computer labs. (No commonly used computers) ● All daily classroom assignments will be posted in Google Classroom. ● Devices should be taken home daily.
<p>Positive/Negative Test Results</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● School Nurse will consult with the county health department and IDOE guidance in regards to test results. ● If required the time of closure may vary based on the needs to clean and sanitize possible impacted areas. ● Please see SCSC return to school action plan starting on page 5 for more information.