



Scarlet Oak School

On-site April/May Information

Dear Parents:

Based on your response on the most recent survey, your child is scheduled to return on-site, with in person instruction on April 15th.

CDC recently updated school social distancing requirements from 6 to 3 feet which allows for the ability of having more students on-site and in their classrooms with assigned teachers. We are able to accommodate all on-site students four days a week in their assigned classroom. 50% of the day will include live instruction four days a week. Wednesdays will remain asynchronous from April 14th through May 28th. Scarlet Oak cannot accommodate two days on-site and 2 days remote on-site due to spatial logistics.

Please read the following information carefully along with the detailed school and district plans that have been posted on the website. If your child has been on-site the information will remain the same.

All students and staff will be required to maintain a minimum of 3ft. social distancing and wear masks, which must cover their nose and mouth, while on the Scarlet Oak campus.

School hours beginning April 15th will be 8:55- 3pm. Attached are the schedules for April 7th-14th and April 15th through May 28th.

If your child is a bus rider make sure to access the district website and select departments and highlight transportation. Review all bus protocols and access the SOS route information at the bottom of the page. Masks must properly worn on district buses at all times. This will help determine your child's bus stop arrival time. If any changes need to be made to your child's current transportation arrangements, please contact the transportation department, and complete the necessary forms found on our district website.

For those students who are car riders, temperatures will continue to be taken by our school nurse upon arrival. Cars may enter the front drive and pull forward to accommodate all buses and additional car riders. Please have students exit curbside only for safety. The school day begins at 8:55 so please make sure to arrive at the appropriate time.

Car rider dismissal will remain current. Please make sure to wait until all buses have left the front drive and you are waved in by a supervisor. Continue to pull forward and do not drive around other vehicles. Any improper driving violations will result in elimination of our current procedures. Students must enter the vehicle curbside only for safety reasons.

Attendance for those on-site will be taken by the assigned classroom teacher. We ask that you continue to take attendance on asynchronous Wednesdays from April 7th through May 26th.

If your child is absent, please call the school and give reason for the absence. Make sure that all information in ALMA is up to date and correct. It is also important that voicemail boxes remain available and are not full.

Additional COVID Health Update

The “Adaptive Pause” following spring break is in place to minimize the risk of COVID spread from students and families who have travelled out of state or internationally or gathered in large groups during the week off. An April 15th return date provides the us with a 10-day quarantine period as required by the Illinois Department of Public Health for any students returning home by April 15th.

Students who are not home by April 5th will need to begin their 10-day quarantine period on the day they return. Alternatively, parents may provide a negative COVID test result for return to on-site learning after seven days of quarantine. Please contact the SOS nurse on or after April 7th to discuss your individual circumstances.

Additional information and details on COVID Travel Recommendations by Destination can be found on the CDC’s travel page.

If there is a need for your child to participate remotely rather than the chosen on-site, you will need to call the main office to accommodate your request. This request should only be used in the event of unexpected circumstances.

All on-site SOS students must bring their masks, Surface Go devices, chargers, headphones, and stylus pencils with them on a daily basis. Children will need to transport all items to and from school daily.

All lunch periods will remain in the classroom under our current guidelines. Those lunches brought from home must be in held in disposable containers, such as a paper or plastic bag. School lunch menus can be found on the district website.

Recess will begin April 15th and held on an adjusted schedule to ensure that we follow CDC guidelines. This includes the wearing of masks and social distancing. Outdoor PE is currently being held and will continue to do so weather permitting.

We are excited once again for your student's return to the Scarlet Oak campus on April 15th. Our goal will always remain to put the safety and success of your child first and foremost.

Sincerely,

Principal Pierce