



Dear Students and Parents/Guardians,

On behalf of all Urban faculty and staff, we are so excited to welcome you on campus for spring term 2021! It's been a very long time since we've been together, and we're looking forward to seeing you, masks and all (especially masks!).

Please read this note carefully. It highlights many details and logistics related to *Hybrid Urban*. We also encourage parents to read *This Week at Urban* each Monday, where we will note any updates, as well as the weekly schedule. Updates will also be added to the [Return to Urban](#) web page.

Hybrid Urban Schedule

As you can see on [this tab](#) on the Return to Urban page, we have provided schedule schematics, as well as a link to the [weekly schedule](#) that we use internally. This calendar also notes whether the stable groups attend morning or afternoon classes (these alternate each week students are on campus). Please note that the first week on campus is a 5-day week (Monday is orientation and Tuesday-Friday are classes).

Materials Pick Up – Monday, March 15

If you did not attend this week's on-campus activities, you will need to come by campus on Monday during your assigned 30-minute time slot ([see schedule here](#)) to pick up your spring term class materials. Ninth and 12th graders will also have pictures taken for school IDs and the Yearbook. If you are unable to pick up materials during your time slot, please [reschedule here](#). Parents should complete each student's SWS health check, and students should be masked and distanced as they check in at the Gumption Theater Page Street doors.

Season 2 Athletics Information Meeting - Tuesday, March 16

Please join Joe Skiffer and Kali Heys for information about the upcoming spring competitive athletics season. This meeting begins at 6:30 pm, and any interested parents and students are

invited to attend.

See This Week at Urban for Zoom access

Stable Groups/Cohorts

As a reminder, you can see the [stable group list](#) (see This Week at Urban for list access).

Mandatory COVID Testing Clinic – Thursday, March 18

All students who plan to be on campus for orientation and classes the week of March 22-26 **must attend the on-campus testing clinic on Thursday, March 18, from 3:30-7 pm** (Page Campus backyard). Please sign up for a time slot [here](#). If students have not yet created a profile with our testing partner Mission Wellness, that also can be done [here](#) and requires selecting a time slot and inputting basic information including insurance information. If you don't have insurance, your student will still need to create a profile and select a time slot; Urban will cover the cost of the test. If you have questions, please contact [Mariah Kaitz](#), Pandemic Coordinator. Note that on-campus testing clinics are also scheduled for the first and last weeks in April (dates/times TBA).

Orientation Day by Stable Group – Monday, March 22

In-person student orientation for spring term is on Monday, March 22. ALL students must attend this orientation, even if they attended the orientations this week (March 9-10). The Haight group will be on campus from 9-11:45 am, and the Ashbury group from 12:45-3:30 pm. Students should line up, masked and 6 feet apart, at the designated entrance for their A period classrooms up to 20 minutes prior to the start time. The designated building entrance for A period may be found on students' Schoology course conference page.

All parents/guardians should complete the SWS health screener app before their child leaves for school. Any student who does not have a completed SWS questionnaire will be subject to additional screening and may miss some class time. (Students should contact [Andrea Scally](#) if they do not yet have the app installed and need assistance.)

What to Bring to School on In-person Days

- Mask: Please see more information about face coverings in the [Health & Safety Plan](#), page 7. [This document](#) from SFDPH has helpful information on mask upgrades and double masking.
- Headphones / earbuds
- Computer
- Computer charger
- Your new whiteboard and marker (which 10th-12th graders will be receiving soon)

Grade Level Study Halls and Attendance

During in-person weeks, 9th and 10th graders will have an online study hall scheduled twice a week during the part of the day when they are not on campus. Study hall times and cohorts are noted on the [weekly schedule](#). These study halls are designed to provide structure and guidance for students during these at-home periods; they will be proctored with a system that Grade Deans created in collaboration with our Learning Services office. We are expecting 11th and 12th graders to organize their own time. They can use their at home time to do homework or other activities that they are committed to in their personal lives.

Students may see a schedule conflict when in PCR, and may also see a note about absences for classes in the future. Students should ignore these notes—it's an artifact of pushing the limits of what Urban's online student information system can handle! To report a real absence, parents should contact the Front Desk at 415 626 2919 or email attendance@urbanschool.org.

Thank you for your ongoing support of Urban. We're excited to get spring term underway! Should we have any major changes, details or news to share, we'll reach out to you via email.

Best regards,
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