

# What to Expect at RMS?



We are all so excited to see you in person and virtually this year! We can't wait to get this school year started! Here is a quick look at some of the things you can expect at RMS this year.

**Our safety motto this year is the 3 W's:**



## **Arriving to RMS:**

If you are getting dropped off by a family member, you will get dropped off at the front of the school, just like last year. A staff member will be there to greet you and walk you into our school.

If you are getting dropped off by the bus, you will get off the bus one at a time. You will walk into the school, and walk directly to your classroom. Staff members will be there to greet you. If you do not know where your class is, we will help you!



### **Masks:**

You will see your friends and teachers all wearing masks. These masks are to help keep us safe. Your teacher will let you know when you can take a mask break. Sometimes, your teacher may take you outside for a mask break and a walk around the school. We will be getting a lot of fresh air this year.

Here is a link to a video our staff made while wearing our masks:

[https://youtu.be/IM\\_mcRw9IV8](https://youtu.be/IM_mcRw9IV8)

### **Social Distancing:**



This year, you will see signs around the building and your teachers will be talking to you about “social distancing.” This means that you will keep a 6 foot distance from your friends to keep you safe. Your teachers also have “poly spots” which will help you remember and see where you can sit while working on the floor or outside.



**Plastic Desk Screens:**

You may notice some plastic desk screens around the building and on some tables. Here is Ms. Tyson at our front desk. She is sitting behind a screen. You can see through the desk screens, and it will keep the people on either side of the screen safe from germs.

**In your classroom:**

You will get to see half of your classmates in person, but don't worry, you will still be able to see the rest of your classmates virtually during the week. You will see them during your morning and closing meetings and other times throughout the day.



Your classroom will also look different this year. You will notice that there is more space between the desks in your classroom. You will have more space in your classroom, with fewer desks.



Your teacher will give you your own school supplies. You do not have to bring any supplies from home. You will have a box of materials with school supplies, just for you! Your classmates will also have their own school supplies.



### Essentials:

This year, your Essentials teachers will be coming to your classroom to see you. They will bring their materials with them, so that you can stay in your classroom. They may also take you outside. This year, you will have the same Essentials and get to see the same Essential teacher daily for about 8 weeks, then you will move on to the next Essential and get to see a new Essential teacher. This will allow you to have time for some longer projects during Essentials this year.



Ms. Camire  
(Music)



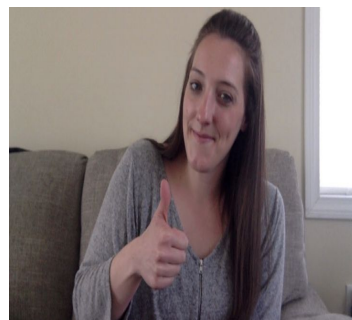
Mr. Clancy  
(Physical Education)



Mr. Nguyen  
(Art)



Mr. Lomangino  
(Orchestra)



Ms. Cyr  
(Library/Media)



**Lunchtime:**

This year, lunch will be delivered to your classrooms. You will get to stay in your class to eat lunch with your classmates. Your teacher may also bring you outside to eat lunch on some days. You will need to take off your masks to eat.

**Outdoor Learning:**

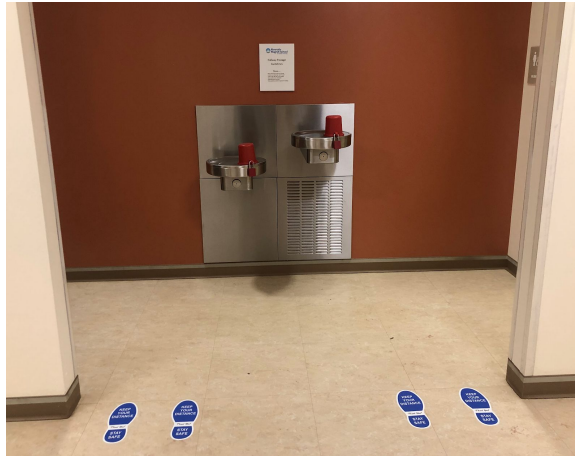
This year you will be using many areas outside of our school for outdoor learning. Some of these areas include the turtle playground, tree playground, big playground, and the field. You will need to sanitize your hands before you go outside and then sanitize again when you are all done playing outside.

You will notice that there might not be as many students outside on the playground or field as there were last year. We will be sure that we can spread out and make sure everyone has enough space.

**Restrooms:**

If you are in grades PK-2, you will use the bathrooms in your classroom, just like last year.

If you are in grades 3-5, you will use the bathrooms in the new wing hallway, just like last year. Your teachers will take your class to the bathroom many times during the day.



### **Water Fountains:**

You will notice that the water fountains are locked for now, but you can still fill up your water bottles here at school! Your teachers will let you fill up your water when you need to!



### **End of the day:**

You will have a closing meeting with your teacher and classmates. You will also get to see students who are learning from home that day.



## Dismissal:



If you are being picked up by a family member, your family will use an app on their phone or computer to let us know when they have arrived at our school. You will stay in your classroom with your teacher learning and spending time with your classmates. Your teacher will let you know when your family is there to pick you up. A staff member will make sure that you get to the right place! Your family will pick you up in the front of our school, in the same area that you got dropped off in the morning.



If you are going home on the bus, your teacher will let you know when your bus has arrived, just like last year. A staff member will make sure that you get to your bus. On the bus, the bus driver will let you know where you will be sitting. The driver will make sure that you are wearing your masks and have plenty of room.

# We can't wait to see you!!!!

