Superintendent Update

January 6, 2021
Governor’s Announcement January 5, 2020

HOW TO WATCH

LIVE UPDATES FROM GOVERNOR LARRY HOGAN

@GovLarryHogan

Find past press conferences and news updates at governor.maryland.gov/coronavirus.
St. Mary’s County Health Department Leading
Maryland Priority Groups

1A
- Healthcare workers
- Residents and staff of nursing homes
- First responders, public safety, corrections

1B
- Assisted living, other congregate settings
- Adults age 75 and older
- Education and continuity of government

1C
- Adults age 65-74
- Essential workers in lab services, agriculture, manufacturing, postal service, etc.

2
- Adults 16-64 at increased risk of severe COVID-19 illness due to comorbidities
- Essential workers in critical utilities, transportation, food service, etc.

3
- General population, including healthy adults age 16-64
St. Mary’s County is completing Phase 1A

WE ARE IN PHASE 1A

- Front line hospital staff and healthcare workers
- Nursing home residents and staff
- Law enforcement, and firefighters, EMS
- All licensed, registered, and certified health care providers
- Correctional health care staff and officers
- Front line judiciary staff

TIMELINE: ONGOING

TOTAL: 500,000+
VACCINE DIRECTIVES

- Rolling distribution: we will not wait to get to all members of a priority group before moving on to those next in line
- Members of previous groups can still get vaccinated in later phases
SMCPS Staff is included in Phase 1B

**PHASE 1B**
- Assisted living, group homes, other congregate facilities
- Continuity of government
- Education (K-12 school and daycare faculty and staff)
- Adults age 75+

**TIMELINE: LATE JANUARY**
**TOTAL: 860,000**
SMCPS Student Return to School Plan

Phase 1

Students in Specialized Programs
- SAIL
- COMPASS

Phase 2

Students by grade cohort return:
**Elementary Level**
- Head Start/PreK
- Grades K and 1
**Middle School**
- Grades 6
**High School**
- Grades 9 and 12

Phase 3

All remaining students return:
**Elementary Level**
- Head Start/PreK
- Grades K, 1-5
**Middle School**
- Grades 6, 7, and 8
**High School**
- Grades 9-12

- Ensures most reliable timeline for returning students.
- Once return to school commences, no further anticipated interruptions to the schedule.
Phase 1B Vaccination Process - SMCPS Staff

### Phase 1
- **Special Programs**
  - SAIL
  - COMPASS

### Phase 2
- **Elementary Level**
  - Head Start/PreK
  - Grades K and 1

- **Middle School**
  - Grades 6

- **High School**
  - Grades 9 and 12

### Phase 3
- **Elementary Level**
  - Head Start/PreK
  - Grades K, 1-5

- **Middle School**
  - Grades 6, 7, and 8

- **High School**
  - Grades 9-12

- **All remaining staff and Central Office**

### Staff instructing and supporting students in...

#### Voluntary Vaccination Groups
- **Group 1**
  - 876 Staff Members

- **Group 2**
  - 1194 Staff Members

- **Group 3**
  - 544 Staff Members

- **Group 4**
  - Approx 300 Staff Members

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**Group 1**

**Group 2**

**Group 3**

**Group 4**
SMCPS Student Return to School Plan

**Phase 1 Students**

- SAIL
- COMPASS

876 staff members providing in-person services to students in Phase 1 to include:
- Phase 1 Teachers
- Phase 1 Support Staff
- Phase 1 Administrators
- Coaches
- All Nurses
- All Bus Drivers
- All Food Service

**Group 1 Staff**

- TBD* Vaccination Clinic
- SMCPS Group 1 (500 vaccinations)

* When allowed by Governor to move into Phase 1B and availability of vaccine

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One Week Later

TBD

Monday

TBD

Phase 1 students return to in-person hybrid instruction
SMCPS Student Return to School Plan

**Phase 2 Students**
- **Elementary Level**
  - Head Start/PreK
  - Grades K and 1
- **Middle School**
  - Grades 6
- **High School**
  - Grades 9 and 12

**1194** staff members providing in-person services to students in Phase 2 to include:
- Phase 2 Teachers
- Phase 2 Support Staff
- Administrators
- Counselors
- Psychologists
- Social Workers
- PPWs
- Safety and Security

**Friday**
- TBD*
- Vaccination Clinic
- SMCPS Group 2 (600 vaccinations)

**Saturday**
- TBD*
- Vaccination Clinic
- SMCPS Group 2 (600 vaccinations)

* When allowed by Governor to move into Phase 1B and availability of vaccine

**One Week Later**
- TBD
- Phase 2 students return to in-person hybrid instruction
SMCPS Student Return to School Plan

**Phase 3 Students**

All remaining students return:

- **Elementary Level**
  - Head Start/PreK
  - Grades K, 1-5
- **Middle School**
  - Grades 6, 7, and 8
- **High School**
  - Grades 9-12

**Group 3 Staff**

544 staff members providing in-person services to students in Phase 3 to include:

- Phase 3 Teachers
- Phase 3 Support Staff
- Operations Staff
- Remaining School-Based Staff not in group 1 or 2

Friday

TBD*
Vaccination Clinic
SMCPS Group 3
(550 vaccinations)

One Week Later

TBD
Phase 3 students return to in-person hybrid instruction

* When allowed by Governor to move into Phase 1B and availability of vaccine
SMCPS Student Return to School Plan

At the conclusion of Group 4, all SMCPS staff will have been provided scheduled time for voluntary vaccination.

**Group 4 Staff**

- 227 staff members employed by SMCPS
  - Central Office Staff
  - Maintenance Staff
  - Info Technology Staff
  - Superintendent's Office

**Friday**

- TBD*
  - Vaccination Clinic
  - SMCPS Group 4 (500 vaccinations)

* When allowed by Governor to move into Phase 1B and availability of vaccine
When We Return…

Health & Safety Protocols

Regardless of Vaccination - Protocols will be in place for health and safety when students return.

- Hand Washing
- Hand Sanitizer
- Face Coverings
- Physical Distancing
- Cleaning
- Training
More Information

View the Update from Dr. Meena Brewster, St. Mary’s County Health Officer, at the January 5, 2021, meeting of the Commissioners of St. Mary’s County.

https://youtu.be/5QTdKT0rj_0?t=5135

All Commissioner meetings are on the county’s YouTube Channel

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