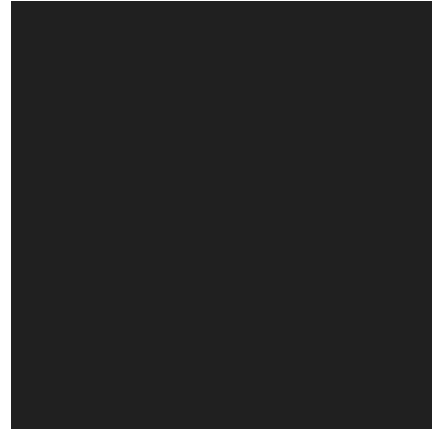
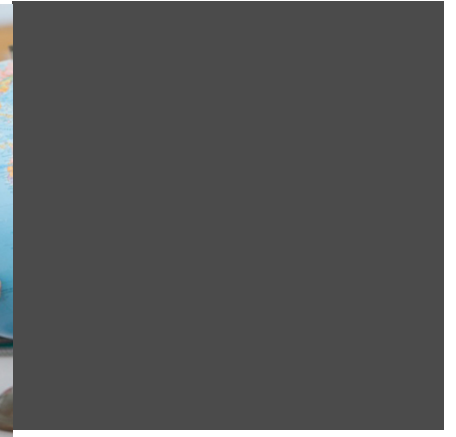




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Health and Safety



Background

Layers of Prevention

Athletics

Cafeteria (Lunch)

Classroom

Cleaning

Fieldtrips

Schedule

Student Support

Transportation

Visitors



Background

- No guidance forthcoming from the Governor's office or the New York Department of Health
 - "Schools and school districts should develop plans to open in-person in the fall as safely as possible, and I recommend following guidance from the CDC and local health departments." Dr. Howard Zucker NYSDOH Commissioner
- New York Department of Education Guidelines
- Referencing [CDC Guidance for COVID-19 Prevention in k-12 Schools](#)
- "CDC recommends universal indoor masking for all teachers, staff, students, and visitors to K-12 schools, regardless of vaccination status. Children should return to full-time in-person learning in the fall with layered prevention strategies in place."
 - Due to the circulating and highly contagious Delta variant, CDC recommends universal indoor masking by all students (age 2 and older), staff, teachers, and visitors to K-12 schools, regardless of vaccination status.
 - In addition to universal indoor masking, CDC recommends schools maintain at least 3 feet of physical distance between students within classrooms to reduce transmission risk. When it is not possible to maintain a physical distance of at least 3 feet, such as when schools cannot fully re-open while maintaining these distances, it is especially important to layer multiple other prevention strategies, such as screening testing.
 - Screening testing, ventilation, handwashing and respiratory etiquette, staying home when sick and getting tested, contact tracing in combination with quarantine and isolation, and cleaning and disinfection are also important layers of prevention to keep schools safe.
 - Fully vaccinated people who have a known exposure to someone with suspected or confirmed COVID-19 to be tested 3-5 days after exposure, regardless of whether they have symptoms.

+ Layers of Prevention

- Cleaning
- Contact Tracing
 - Quarantine/contact tracing guidance to come from the Westchester Department of Health
- Masks
 - No masks required outside
 - Masks required for all individuals k-12 inside
- Social Distancing - 3 feet of separation when possible
- Testing for COVID
 - Partnering with Westchester Department of Health to establish testing
 - Gateway testing for every individual we have permission to test
 - Weekly testing of 20%
 - Critical to obtain family and employee permission/participation
- Ventilation
 - Complete ventilation report of all systems working as designed. Windows will be opened throughout the schools as last year. AC units can be used.



Athletics/Extra-Curricular

Fall Season – Current plan for SCSD – We will adjust if directed by Westchester Department of Health or New York State Department of Health

- All sports offered
- No mask requirements outside
- Visitors allowed (outside no masks/inside masks required – limited capacity)
- Inside games/practice – masks worn

Winter and Spring Seasons

- To be determined as the situation at the time is assessed

After school activities

- SCSD Clubs, band, music, etc. will take place and need to follow established protocols



Cafeteria



Students eating lunch with 6 feet of separation where possible



Tables cleaned between uses



PES lunch served in the classroom



SIS, SMS, SHS served in cafeteria



Classroom



Classes k-12 are seated 3 feet or more

Choir/Music/Band/Orchestra – 6 feet of separation

Physical Education – 6 feet of separation

Classroom supplies will not be shared. This allows us to better ensure social distancing.



Cleaning



Classrooms cleaned daily and high touch surfaces cleaned multiple times daily

Cleaning logs completed and maintained across the district

Restrooms cleaned 3x a day

Utilize disinfection sprayers across the district purchased last year

COVID related signage across the schools

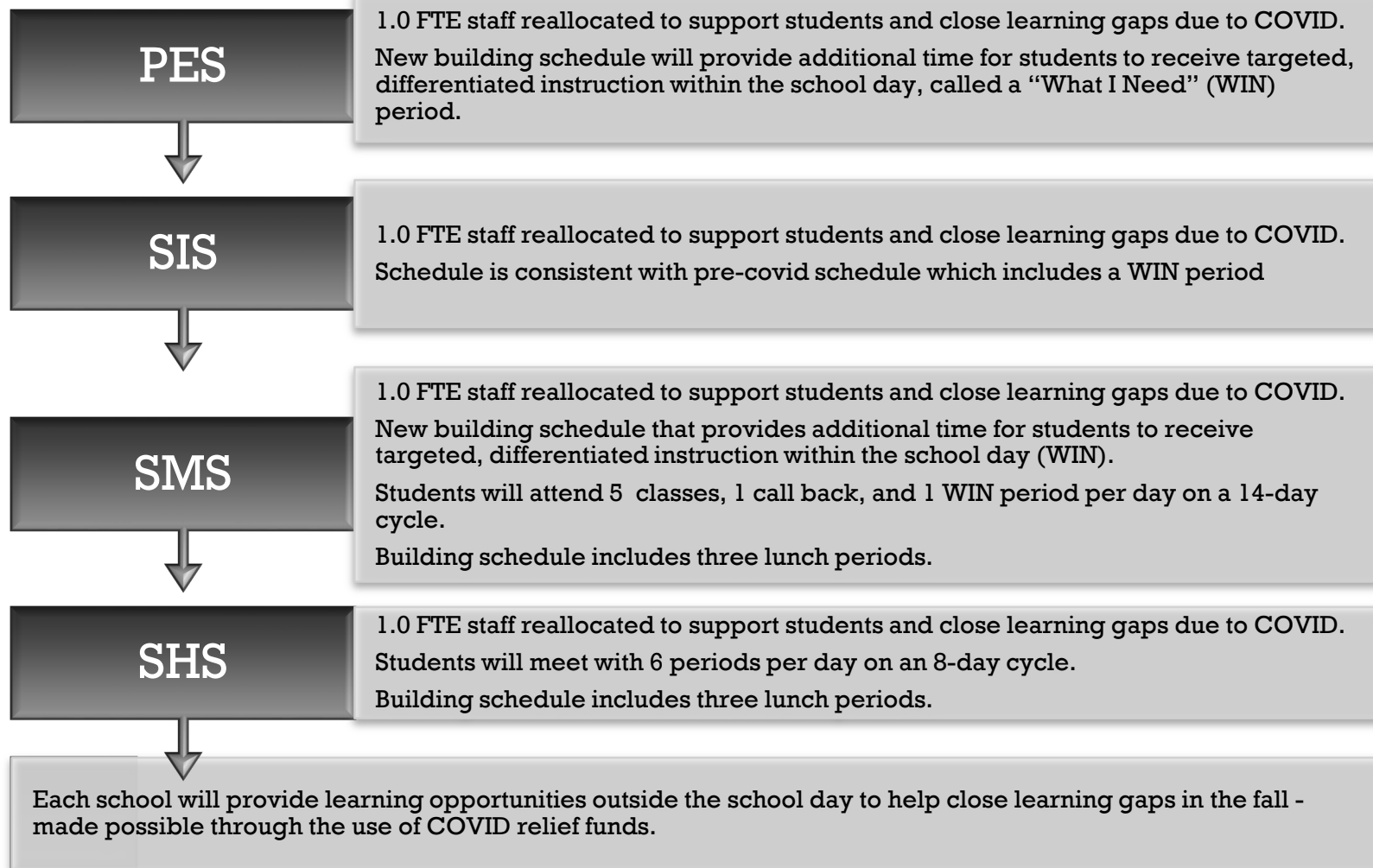
Hand sanitizer stations placed throughout the schools

+ Start and End Times

- All schools will return to the regularly scheduled day with **no** eLearning option
- PES 8:00 – 2:30
- SIS 9:00 - 3:30
- SMS 8:24 - 3:05
- SHS 7:35 - 2:10
- If a student is quarantined, the school will provide learning experiences through the learning management system (e.g. Schoology), and will have the ability to communicate with their teacher(s), but will not be able to **Zoom** into classrooms. We will monitor the volume of students quarantined to determine if we need additional human resources.



Student Schedules and Supports





Transportation

Masks worn on buses at all times – adults and children



Seats will be assigned



Seating on the bus will be maintained at 3 feet when possible



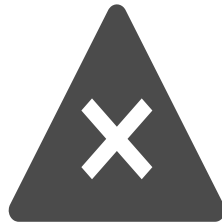
Buses will be sanitized following the morning and afternoon runs



+ Visitors



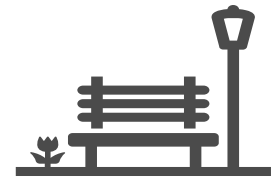
Fall “back to school” nights are all virtual



All visitors must be prearranged and follow all regulations – limited



Zoom – used for 504, CSE, and parent/teacher conferences



Limited after school access allowed – prearranged through the school (Scouts, SYSO, etc.) limited to common areas