



Mount Royal Collegiate Reopening Plan

Greeting from School:

We greatly appreciate the support we received from families, students, and the community during the last three months of the 2019-2020 school year. We are proud of the way everyone worked together to overcome the challenges presented by COVID-19 and find ways to provide learning opportunities and meet the needs of our students. We are hopeful that this spirit of collaboration and cooperation will continue into the 2020-2021 school year as we return to our building and re-establish relationships with our students and families. All of us will need to be flexible and patient with each other to ensure our students receive the best possible educational experience we can offer them.

Classes in Saskatchewan's schools will resume on Tuesday, September 8th. Mount Royal Collegiate is planning for reopening in accordance with the guidelines established in the Government of Saskatchewan's document entitled *Primary and Secondary Educational Institution Guidelines*, guidelines for the learning program included in *Return to School Fall 2020* from the Ministry of Education, and procedures outlined in the *Saskatoon Public Schools Parent & Caregiver Reopening Handbook*.

This plan is based on the following principles:

1. Student and staff health and well-being are paramount. Consideration will be made for staff and students who require medical accommodations.
2. Student learning will continue no matter which scenario we are in. Education will no longer be voluntary. All students will be required to participate, whether it's through face to face learning, online learning, or a hybrid of the two.
3. Teachers will be teaching the provincial curriculum. Families are not responsible for providing curriculum opportunities but may support the learning opportunities teachers provide. Partnership between home and school is important for student success.
4. It will require a collective effort to keep schools open and everyone safe. Minimize risks, not eliminate risks.
5. Clearly communicate plan with all stakeholders. Make sure people are informed of the latest expectations.

The safety of our students and staff depends on all of us taking the steps necessary to protect each other. One of the most critical components to ensuring we can remain in Scenario 1 for as long as possible will be for everyone - students, families, and staff - to comply with the requirements to complete a daily screening for symptoms and to not come to school if they are experiencing any symptoms associated with COVID-19. We know this may be worrisome for many families as it impacts their employment and livelihoods. If we all follow the guidelines that have been put in place, we should be able to minimize disruptions to instruction and the subsequent impacts on families. We will continue to provide families with up-to-date information as things change throughout the year as well as opportunities for input when we are able.

We thank you for your ongoing understanding.

Bernadette Laliberte
Principal

Tobi Tamblyn
Vice Principal

Tommy Williams
Vice Principal



Parent and Caregiver Reopening Handbook

Please refer to the [Parent and Caregiver Reopening Handbook](#) for general information on Saskatoon Public Schools reopening plan. This parent handbook provides detailed information on many important topics including:

- Safety Precautions
- Curriculum and Assessment
- Support Services
- Food and nutrition programs
- Facilities
- Supporting Students.

The guidelines of the Parent Handbook will be adhered to by our school along with elements specific to our school.

The following information represents our school specific plan for a safe return to school at Mount Royal Collegiate. Please note that the plan is subject to change at any time based on direction from Saskatchewan's Chief Medical Health Officer. Changes will be communicated as they occur.

Safety & Hygiene:

- If a student is experiencing cold or flu-like symptoms (fever, cough, headaches, aches and pains, sore throat, chills, runny nose, loss of taste or smell, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing), they must not attend school. Parents/caregivers should contact HealthLine 811 for direction. If the student is referred for testing, they must remain home and self-isolate until they have received their results and direction from the health authority.
- Upon arrival it is required that anyone entering the building sanitizes their hands and wears a facemask. There will be hand sanitizer at all entrances and facemasks available for those who do not have one.
- Sanitizing: please refer to page 31 of Parent and Caregiver Reopening Handbook for information on school sanitization.
- If parents or guardians must enter the school, they will be required to fill out a health questionnaire before entering the building. The form can be filled out by using a smartphone to scan the QR code posted at the entry door of the school, which will go directly to the questionnaire site. Paper copies will be made available as needed. These forms will be used if a contact tracing investigation is necessary.
- Report student absences through the attendance line at 306-683-7805. Please refer to page 9 of the Parent and Caregiver Reopening Handbook should a student become sick.
- Mount Royal Collegiate has a designated isolation space for anyone with COVID-19 symptoms who cannot leave the facility immediately. If a student is showing symptoms, they will be isolated in this space and provided with a medical mask until they can be picked up. Students will be supervised by an administrator in this area. Supervising staff members will wear a mask and face shield during all interactions with the ill student. When parents or guardians come to pick up a student who has been in the self-isolation space they will call the main office at 306-683-7800 and the student will be brought outside to them.

Mask usage:

At Saskatoon Public schools the health and safety of our students and staff are our number one priority. As indicated in the Parent and Caregiver Reopening Handbook:

- Grade 4-12 students are required to wear masks when appropriate physical distancing cannot be maintained.
- Masks are recommended for prekindergarten to Grade 3 students.
- Staff are required to wear masks at all times when appropriate distancing cannot be maintained.
- When physical distancing is achievable, mask breaks may occur (i.e. outdoor learning).
- All students are required to wear masks while riding the bus.
- All visitors must wear masks.
- Saskatoon Public Schools will provide one reusable mask for each student. Additional disposable masks will be made available to students when needed and required.

- Students are welcome to bring their own masks. Bandanas, balaclavas, and buffs are not a safe alternative to a mask, and a mask will be provided to students who wear them.
- In some situations, wearing a mask may not be possible for a student. In these instances, school staff members will work with parents/caregivers to consider accommodations. More information can be found on the [CDC website](#).
- Staff members will be provided with a reusable mask and face shield for use as needed. Staff members may also choose to use their own mask.
- More information about the proper usage of masks or face coverings is available from the [Public Health Agency of Canada](#).

Staggered Start:

At Saskatoon Public Schools students are our number one priority. We want our students to be safe, healthy and excited to return to school and we want parents and caregivers to feel an equivalent amount of comfort with the reopening. In this current environment we need to practice new ways of being safe and happy at school. To this end our schools will be setting up a staggered start so that we all have an opportunity to practice and refine our new routines and procedures with the students.

	Tuesday, September 8th	Wednesday, September 9th
AM Block	Grade 9s	Grade 10s
PM Block	Grade 11s	Grade 12s

There will be a separate email distributed to all families on Monday, August 31st with specific details surrounding the staggered start days of September 8th and September 9th.

School day schedule:

To support the health and safety of students and staff members, all collegiates will be adopting a block schedule for 2020-21. The school year will be divided into five learning terms or “quints.” A student will take two courses in each quint, one in the morning and one in the afternoon. The updated school year calendar can be found using the link below. The calendar is also included at the end of this document.

<https://portal.spsd.sk.ca/sites/sa/cal/Documents/2020-2021/SPS%20Quint%20Calendar%20Secondary.pdf>

Breaks will be staggered within each block. Students will be asked to maintain social distancing and wear a mask during this time. Class start and end times are listed below.

	9's/10's/HCAP/Junior AEWS	20's/30's/Phoenix/Senior AEWS
AM Block	9:00am – 11:39am	9:15am – 11:54am
AM Break	(10:20am – 10:30am)	(10:35am – 10:45am)
Lunch	11:39am – 12:25pm	11:54am – 12:35pm
PM Block	12:25pm – 3:04pm	12:35pm – 3:14pm
PM Break	(1:40pm – 1:50pm)	(2:00pm – 2:10pm)

*Please note that classes that contain both a 10 and 20 level course will follow the **9's/10's/HCAP/Junior AEWS** schedule.

Please note that classes that contain both a 20 and 30 level course, or a 10, 20, and 30 level course will follow the **20's/30's/Phoenix/Senior AEWS schedule.

Teacher professional development – students do not attend the morning class but come for their afternoon class on the following dates:

- September 24
- November 5
- January 7
- March 11
- May 6

Teacher professional development – students come for their morning class but do not attend the afternoon class on the following dates:

- October 15
- December 3
- January 28
- April 15
- June 3

Lunch:

During the lunch break, students are encouraged to go home wherever possible. Students bringing their own food to school should use clean containers and bring their own utensils. If students remain in the school, they will be eating their lunch in their morning classroom. Over the lunch break, students will either be in their classroom/designated space or be asked to go outside weather permitting.

- If students are in a class that is not conducive to eating (such as Welding, Computer Room, etc.), other spaces will be identified (such as another classroom, the Cafeteria, etc). Students

must stay in their cohorts. If this applies to you, further clarification will be provided by your classroom teacher.

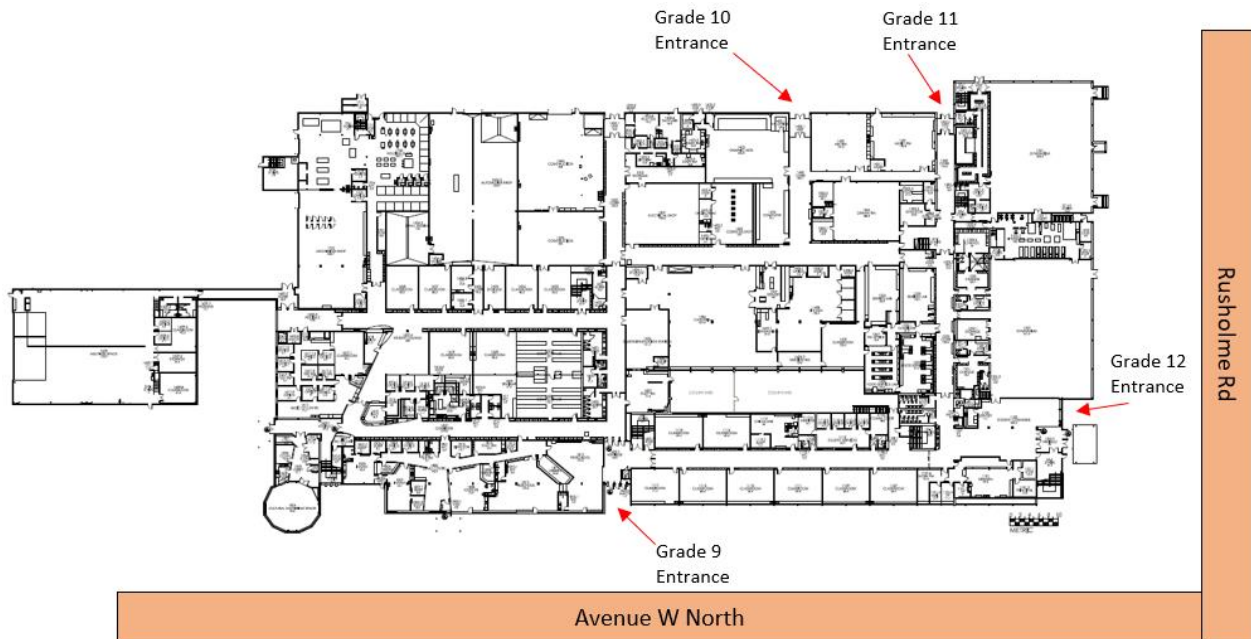
- Cafeteria and Nutrition Programs: more information to follow.

Entering/Exiting the School:

Students have been assigned specific doors to enter and leave the school. There will be appropriate door signage to ensure those entering the school have done a self-health check.

Students should arrive no sooner than 15 minutes before their first class and should move directly to their class upon arrival. Teachers will have classroom doors open 15 minutes prior to the beginning of morning classes.

The map below highlights the specific doors that each grade will be using when entering and exiting the building.



Busing:

Information on bus pick-ups in the Mount Royal Collegiate area will be posted at each exit for reference.

Lockers:

In order to limit crowding and support cleaning, students are asked to bring what they need for the day packed in their backpack. Lockers will be made available by request only. Please see an administrator to make your request. Assigned lockers will be spaced appropriately.

Flow of traffic within the school:

Directional arrows to support safe movement in schools will be used. Social distancing decals will be installed on floors where necessary. Upon arrival on staggered start dates, we will orient students to the flow of the school to support their transition back into the building. Following this flow will be key to limiting contact and supporting student safety.

Students will be made aware of the washroom they are to use when in each class.

Parent/Caregiver access to school:

As student and staff safety is the main priority of our school reopening plans, the following measures will be in place around parent/caregiver access to the school:

- Phone calls and emails are the safest way to contact staff at this time.
- If it is necessary to enter the school, or for an in-person meeting, parents/caregivers can call the main office at 306-683-7800 to make an appointment
- The door for parent entry, as well as the location of the poster with the Health Questionnaire QR code, paper copies of the Covid-19 questionnaire, and hand sanitizer will be the main entrance on Rusholme Road.
- When entering the building you will be required to use the provided hand sanitizer and to wear a mask. There will be masks provided if you don't bring your own.

Email: MountRoyalSchool@spsd.sk.ca

Phone: 306-683-7800

Extra-Curricular Activities:

Another important update to share is in regards to in-person extracurricular activities for the fall. The decisions regarding extracurricular activities were made to ensure the health and safety of students and staff members, and to protect the class cohorts we are creating in collegiates by limiting student interactions.

Performing arts activities such as musicals, plays, and band concerts, are postponed. With regards to sports, the Saskatoon Secondary Schools Athletic Directorate (SSSAD), in collaboration with Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools and Saskatoon Public Schools, has decided that the following sports will not be offered in high schools this fall:

- Cross Country
- Football
- Soccer
- Volleyball

As the situation evolves, the plans for extracurricular activities will be reviewed and updated. We will continue to provide updated information as it becomes available.

Learning Options:

Students best engage in their learning through connection with their teacher and with fellow students. However, in-person learning may not be the best option for every student in the fall. Students will have a choice between in-class learning or online learning.

As families choose between in-class and online learning, school staffing may be adapted and classroom assignments may change early in the school year. We appreciate the patience and understanding of families as we work through these issues.

For the 2020-21 school year, Saskatoon Public Schools [Online Learning Centre](#) (OLC) is offering K-12 curriculum online.

Mental Health and Social-Emotional Supports

In addition to the section in the Parent and Caregiver Reopening Handbook on supporting students we want to make sure that families are aware of that as always, students who need additional support for their well-being may receive support from the school counsellor. Parents who believe this support may be necessary can reach out to their teacher or administrator to discuss. The counsellor will work with the team to determine appropriate supports, which may include direct support and/or assisting students and families to access other services in the community.

Well-being is one of our four student goals in our school division strategic plan. Opportunities to learn about and practice well-being exist across multiple curricular areas.

Student Services: Guidance Counsellors & Restorative Action Plan (RAP) Worker

Mrs. Wagar
Grade 9 & 10
Wagarm@spsd.sk.ca
306-683-7813

Mrs. Demmans
Grade 11 & 12
Demmanse@spsd.sk.ca
306-683-7812

Shauna Kennon
RAP Worker
kennons@spsd.sk.ca
306-683-7833

Indigenous Student Advocates (ISA): We have two Indigenous Student Advocate's whose priority is to support Indigenous students, academically and socially, to successfully transition through and out of school. These teacher leaders work with students and staff to develop Indigenous students' sense of identity and belonging through supports such as culture, extra-curricular activities and events.

Our ISA's are Jordan Thunderchild (ThunderchildJ@spsd.sk.ca) and Mika Lafond (LafondM@spsd.sk.ca) and can be contacted by email or by phone at 306-683-5530.

Traditional Knowledge Keeper (TKK): A TKK is available to our school community to share their gifts and to enrich and guide our cultural teachings both in and out of the classroom.

In-Person Registration:

We will be welcoming in-person registrations and be following the safety guidelines to ensure everyone's safety.

Beginning Wednesday, September 2nd, in-person registration will be between the hours of 9:00am-3:00pm daily.

You will be required to complete a health questionnaire, be supported in completing an online registration form, meet with an administrator, and register with student services.

We will be able to safely accommodate a limited number of walk-ins per day and we will do our best to register you the day you arrive. Thank you for your understanding and patience as we work to get all students registered in a timely manner.

Other:

Other program-specific information that needs to be communicated (HCAP, AEWS, etc.) will be sent to families by the program teachers and administration.

School Calendar:



Saskatoon Public Schools
Inspiring Learning

2020-2021 School Calendar
Secondary (9-12) Quint

August 2020						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
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September 2020						
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November 2020						
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December 2020						
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February 2021						
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March 2021						
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April 2021						
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May 2021						
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June 2021						
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*Outcome recovery
Gr. 9 Orientation
Report Cards

- Stat Holidays
- No school for students or teachers
- All SPS facilities closed
- STA Convention
- PD/Operations (K-12 No students)
- PD/Operations (9-12 No students)
- Shortened day for staff meetings (secondary only)
- Quint 1
- Quint 2
- Quint 3
- Quint 4
- Quint 5

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