



## **RHCS In-Person Class Reopening Plan**

July 27, 2020

Staff, Families, and Supporters of Reformed Heritage Christian School,

With much prayer and guidance from our Heavenly Father and trusting in Him to light our path, RHCS will be having full in-person classes this fall! The Board and Administrator want to assure everyone who steps into our school building that we are taking action to keep everyone safe by implementing social distancing and other safety measures. The Board and Administrator want to assure everyone who steps into our school building that we are taking action based on guidelines provided by the State of Michigan and the CDC to keep everyone safe by implementing social distancing and other safety measures. We need everyone's help to make this work and we pray for wisdom and discretion as we begin this process of opening our doors to students once again this fall.

With that, we would like to lay out our plan to you for the 2020-21 school year that begins on August 20. Safety measures will be taken in the following areas:

### **Entrance/Exit**

- If a student or staff member is showing symptoms of COVID-19, or any other sickness, do not come to school until the symptoms have subsided
- Masks must be worn by students from the entrance until they get to their desks
- If a student, staff member or visitor is in a common area (i.e. hallway, restroom, multi-purpose room, secretary's office etc.) a mask must be worn
- Once the student is at their desk, they can remove their mask since the desks will be spaced out to achieve social distancing
- School will have a supply of masks for those who do not have one

### **Sanitizing**

- Drinking fountains will not be used. It is strongly recommended that students bring their own water bottles. Water jugs will be placed around the school
- Classroom changes will be scheduled to keep changes to a minimum and staff will be sanitizing desks when children change classrooms
- The custodian will have an enhanced sanitizing protocol including sanitizing touchpoints each evening
- Desks will be sanitized before and after eating lunch
- There will be increased sanitizing stations and hand sanitizer around school

### **Special Classes**

- The art teacher will be bringing art supplies/bin to each class with the exception of the High School art class in the art room. This will keep the student “bubble” intact
- P.E. classes will feature socially distant activities/sports in classroom groups with a plan in place for safety measures
- Music will include singing, but musical instruments that easily transmit germs will not be used

### **Hot Lunch**

- Will only be held once per month
- Individually wrapped fast foods such as McDonald’s, Burger King, Subway, and Taco Bell can be served
- Servers will divide up the order by classroom and deliver to the classroom for the teacher to distribute

### **Recess**

- Outdoor recess will have students socialize with their classroom “bubble”
- Indoor recess would be held in the classroom to keep the “bubble” intact

### **Transportation**

- Masks will be required when riding together to any external location unless while riding with immediate family members only

### **Miscellaneous**

- Signs will be posted around school displaying our safety measures and plan
- A waiver will need to be signed by all families acknowledging that they are aware of the risk involved and understanding that the school is taking measures to reduce the spread of disease

As things change and the phase of reopening for the State of Michigan changes, the Board and Administrator reserve the right to adjust the safety measures and guidelines in place for reopening.

With these steps, we are confident that we can have a safe and successful reopening of school this fall. We will all need to work together and do our part to keep each other safe. “Let nothing be done through strife or vainglory; but in lowliness of mind let each esteem other better than themselves. Look not every man on his own things, but every man also on the things of others” (Philippians 2:3-4).

Thank you for your cooperation during this time.

In Christ,

The Board of Reformed Heritage Christian School