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Back-to-School Plan for the 2021-22 School Year

Dear Shorewood Families:

We look forward to welcoming our students and staff back to school on September 1, 2021. We want this to be a joy-filled return to school, focusing on re-connecting, in-person learning and, of course, safety for all.

This **Shorewood School District In-Person Learning Plan** details both the COVID-19 safety and construction policies that will be in place as we begin the school year.

As we discuss safety, we want to share area <u>vaccination resources</u> and other vaccine information. Presently, vaccination is the best way to combat COVID-19, and the CDC, American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP), Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS) and other public health authorities recommend vaccinations for school-aged children who are eligible. Now is the time to schedule vaccinations so that eligible students have this protection.

We are closely monitoring conditions in our schools and in our community and will modify plans as needed to respond to changing needs and conditions. We will do our best to communicate with you with clarity and timeliness, and we appreciate your patience and understanding as any necessary modifications are implemented.

At the end of this document there is a chance for you to submit your questions to us. We have tried to be thorough in our communication, yet we know we may not have addressed all of your questions. Questions submitted will be used to create a Frequently Asked Questions document on our website.

In closing, I want to thank you for your support of our schools. In my short time here, I have found everyone so caring for our students: their success, their happiness, their safety, their growth. No doubt, these are challenging times for all of us. As we make decisions, we pledge to keep student safety, student learning, and student social/emotional wellness at the forefront of the decisions we make. We want this to be a great year for Shorewood students and families. Thanks for working with us to make it so.

Dr. JoAnn Sternke Interim Superintendent



In-Person Learning Plan for the 2021-22 School Year

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In creating our In-Person Learning Plan for the 2021-22 School Year, these principles are foundational, and guide our decisions:

- In-person learning, five days per week, is best for students. Our goal is to begin with in-school instruction five days per week and stay in this mode;
- Student well-being is a top priority. With safety in mind, we will establish school routines
 that allow students to build relationships and participate in group learning experiences,
 and will re-introduce cherished school functions;
- We are grateful to all staff for the effort and dedication they displayed over the past two years to teach using multiple approaches. Shorewood faculty and staff will focus on in-person classroom instruction in the 2021-2022 school year; and
- Families should be able to choose a learning mode they feel is best for their child in the upcoming school year. In addition to in-person learning, a virtual learning model is available for those families who elect this option.

OUR COMMITMENT TO SUPPORTING STUDENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES

- It is our plan to return to in-person learning, five day per week beginning September 1. This Board-approved school calendar may be helpful to plan.
- COVID-19-related health and safety needs may require adjustments to our In-Person Learning Plan during the school year. We will continue to review recommendations from federal, state and local public health authorities, and to monitor COVID-19 cases in our schools and community to inform plan adjustments. We ask for your patience and understanding. District COVID-19 updates will continue to be posted under the COVID-19 section of the District website.
- The District will continue to use multiple and layered mitigation practices consistent with public health guidance for schools. In addition to our focus on safety, decisions will be made with the academic and social/emotional needs of students, faculty & staff, and families in mind.
- The District's Bring Your Own Device (<u>BYOD</u>) guide will be in effect again this year. We
 encourage students who have a technology device to bring it to school each day; the
 District's Instructional Technology team will continue to provide devices to any student
 who needs one, ensuring that all students have access to digital resources and online
 learning experiences that are part of classroom curriculum.

Please review the information below for key details about our focus on student well-being: our remote learning option, support for students with disabilities and student mental health services.

Provide a comprehensive system of support, as well as resources and information to address students' academic, social, and emotional needs.

- Using our Equitable Multi-Level System of Supports (EMLSS), Universal Screening will continue in grades K-8 in Reading and Math using FastBridge assessment; the District will continue ongoing data analysis of student performance, using state and local assessments. Assessments and grades will be closely monitored in high school to determine academic needs. These tools will provide evidence of students' academic growth and needs.
- A key strategic priority for the upcoming year is Social and Emotional Learning (SEL). Evidence-based SEL curriculum will be in place in all schools during the 2021-22 school year, and integrated into the daily schedule to maximize this impact.
- Ongoing mental health services will continue to be available through our Student Services Team (School Counselors and School Psychologists) as well as Children's Wisconsin on-site Therapy Clinics. Please communicate any concerns or referral needs to your child's School Counselor.
- Questions or concerns related to services for Students with Disabilities should be directed to Julie Harris (jharris@shorewood.k12.wi.us) in the Special Education & Pupil Services office.

Provide families with a virtual option for student learning.

- Shorewood School District is partnering with the Kiel Area School District to provide a <u>virtual learning option</u> for students who need this learning model.
- Students enrolling in virtual learning will be taught by Kiel faculty and staff only. Families who want to enroll their student(s) in this virtual program for the first semester or the 2021-2022 school year should complete registration no later than August 25, 2021.
 - Families must first register students with the Shorewood School District and then declare their intention; District staff will work with families on the next steps for registration.
 - Re-enrollment in the Shorewood School District will be limited to the end of our school grading periods.
- Students enrolled in Kiel's virtual learning program may elect to take two courses on our campus, and participate in our extracurricular activities, including athletics.
- Questions related to this program should be directed to Iris Bohan (<u>ibohan@shorewood.k12.wi.us</u>), District Registrar.

OUR COMMITMENT TO SAFETY

COVID-19 LAYERED SAFETY PROTOCOL IN ALL SCHOOLS

We will use multiple, layered health and safety strategies in all schools. Protocol will be reviewed with all students at the beginning of the school year. More information on the COVID mitigation strategies in place at the beginning of the school year can be found here.

ATWATER AND LAKE BLUFF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

<u>Click here</u> for important elementary school student and family back-to-school information regarding COVID safety and school construction updates.

SHOREWOOD INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

<u>Click here</u> for important SIS student and family back-to-school information regarding COVID safety.

SHOREWOOD HIGH SCHOOL

<u>Click here</u> for important SHS student and family back-to-school information regarding COVID safety and construction updates.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Classroom Technology	BYOD Guide Student Device Checkout (Grade 5-Up)* *Students 5k - 4 will not be taking devices home and therefore no device check out is necessary. Any use of technology will be done during class at the discretion of the teacher for educational purposes.	
Vaccination Information	Resources and Testing Sites	
Quarantine Information	COVID-19 Decision Making Tool for School Nurses CDC Contact Tracing & Quarantine Requirements	
COVID-19 Wellness	Student and Family Resources, Tips, and Information	

QUESTIONS

Please submit your questions regarding the above outlined In-Person Learning Plan for the 2021-2022 school year through the District's <u>Question Form here</u>. District administration will review the questions submitted and use them as a guide for informing families of important information and for adding pertinent information to the District's COVID-19 section of the website.

<u>ADDENDUM</u>

ATWATER ELEMENTARY & LAKE BLUFF ELEMENTARY

ANTICIPATED COVID PROTOCOL IN PLACE FOR START OF SCHOOL	Revised: August 12, 2021
Assemblies, All-School or Class Programs/Celebrations	Classrooms will be used as the primary vehicle for information sharing and celebrations.
Band/Orchestra	Band/Orchestra will be offered in classrooms, and social distancing of three feet will be maintained whenever possible. Students in choir and orchestra will remain masked. Students in band, who play a wind instrument, will utilize bell covers. Air purifiers have been placed in all music classrooms to increase ventilation.
Class Changes/Stairwells and Communal Spaces	During class changes and in the stairwells, we will encourage social distancing with signage that will remind students about this and the school masking requirement.
Classroom Set-Up/Lay-Out/Seating	Classrooms will be arranged to maximize distance between students. We will strive, whenever practical, to maintain three feet of social distancing indoors. Students will have assigned seats, and any movement in the classroom will be assigned as well. These procedures are important to supporting both personal health and safety practices, as well as contact tracing, quarantine and testing needs, should they arise.
	Hand sanitizer stations will be located by school entrance and exit doors. Spray bottles with food safe disinfectant will be provided in each classroom along with microfiber towels. Spaces and equipment used in classrooms will be wiped down after each use by the staff member in the room.
Cleaning Protocol	Nightly classroom cleaning involves spraying all surfaces with an electrostatic sprayer, wiping down high touch surfaces, and completing "normal" cleaning.

Daily Schedules	Followed as normal with masks and distancing protocols in place.
Field Trips	Field trips will be limited to walking field trips.
Guidance/Student Support	We are focused on students' social and emotional (SEL) wellness. A new curriculum, <u>Second Step</u> , has been purchased for use with our elementary students. In addition to our Crews, Second Step will be integrated in the classroom. We are also adding Daily Brain Breaks (additional recess, movement time) to the school day.
Illness/Attendance	Students should stay home with symptoms of any illness or while awaiting test results. Students cannot return to school until symptom-free for 24 hours if there is fever. Sick students at school will immediately report to the school health office to be screened or to check out of school.
Instructional Technology	BYOD Guide Student Device Checkout Form (Grade 5- up)* *Students 5k - 4 will not be taking devices home and therefore no device check out is necessary. Any use of technology will be done during class at the discretion of the teacher for educational purposes.
Lunch	We are transitioning to eating lunch in the lunchroom and offering an option for students to go home for lunch if preferred. More details on lunch will be available as school begins.
Physical Education	Physical Education classes will take place in the gymnasium and/or outside, weather permitting. As with all indoor activities, masking will be required if PE classes are held in the building.
Recess/Playground	Masks will be encouraged outside, but are not required at this time. Construction may impact recess schedule.
Remote Learning for illness/quarantine protocol	Asynchronous learning materials will be available through Google Classroom/SEESAW for isolation, quarantine, and other situations that require an extended absence. School faculty will not provide remote instruction or stream classroom lessons at this time.
Social Distancing	We will work to maximize physical distancing wherever possible, in accordance with public health guidance for schools.

Student Well-being	Each school day will start with CREW to discuss the principles essential to EL learning, in addition to Second Step curriculum.
Ventilation	Mechanical ventilation systems and portable air filtration units throughout the school have been inspected and received any needed maintenance. Windows and doors will be kept open to provide additional airflow as much as possible.
Visitors/Volunteers	Parents will be able to visit the school office; visitors in the building will be limited to those necessary for learning activities. All visitors will follow masking guidelines.
Water Fountains/Water Bottles	Water bottle-filling stations will be accessible and used throughout both schools.
ANTICIPATED ATWATER SCHOOL OPERATIONS IMPACTED BY CONSTRUCTION AT START OF SCHOOL	
Doors - Entering/Exiting	Doors 1, 2, 3 and 5 are available. No loading dock access is available for staff; this is to be used only for construction workers. Parents and visitors must use the main entrance. Staff can use badge readers at the other indicated entrances.
Parking	Parents are asked not to use the parking lot unless ADA-accessible parking is needed. Staff are asked to use the front parking lot off Capitol and Murray; the back parking area is closed to staff due to construction. As always, please use caution and drive slowly.
Pick Up / Drop Off and school access by parents/guardians	Student drop-off and pick-up will be located at Capitol/Murray and the EEC. A temporary sidewalk on the northwest side of the campus will be available for student use.
Playground	We will have playground space for students while playground construction occurs this fall. Currently the west side blue and yellow playgrounds are available (closest to Murray Ave.). We will continue to emphasize safety during construction.
Safety	The building leadership team will receive construction updates regularly and changes that impact students and families will be
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	communicated promptly. We will continue to reinforce staying safe during construction.
ANTICIPATED LAKE BLUFF BUILDING OPERATIONS IMPACTED BY CONSTRUCTION AT START OF SCHOOL	
Doors - Entering/Exiting	Visitors enter using the main entrance only. Staff can enter any door that has a badge reader. Classrooms are assigned to entrances/exits by the Dean of Students (DOS).
Parking	Parents and visitors should use street parking, unless ADA-accessible parking is needed.
Pick Up / Drop Off and school access by parents/guardians	Parents pick up drop-off at the assigned door.
Playground	We will have playground space for students while playground construction occurs this fall. The upper playground access is impacted by construction through early October. Modified recess zones will be completed by DOS. We will continue to emphasize safety during construction.
Safety	The building leadership team will receive construction updates regularly and changes that impact students and families will be communicated promptly. We will continue to reinforce staying safe during construction.

SHOREWOOD INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

ANTICIPATED COVID PROTOCOL IN PLACE FOR START OF SCHOOL	Revised: August 12, 2021
Assemblies, All-School or Class Programs/Celebrations	SIS will share information with students through Community Circle Advisories when possible. SIS will use the SIS gym to allow for maximum social distancing if a grade-level assembly is necessary.
Athletics & Extra-curricular activities Policies	SIS will follow safety protocols established by SHS with guidance from WIAA. SIS will use the Weekly Bulletin to communicate details regarding athletic sign-ups.
Band/Choir/Orchestra	Students will be distanced apart as much as possible. Students in choir and orchestra will remain masked. Students in band, who play a wind instrument, will utilize bell covers. All music classrooms have air purifiers in place to increase ventilation.
Bell Schedule	SIS will run a new Bell Schedule this year with later start and dismissal times than in previous years. The new schedule allows more frequent contact with classes throughout the week. A detailed bell schedule is linked HERE.
Class Changes/Stairwells	SIS students will move between classes with normal (3-minute) passing times. Updated masking and social distancing signage is posted at entrances and in hallways.
Classroom Set-Up/Layout/Seating	Classrooms will be arranged to maximize distance between students. We will strive, whenever practical, to maintain three feet of social distancing indoors. To facilitate contact tracing, students will be assigned to a seating chart in each class and any student movement within the classroom will be to assigned spaces.

Cleaning Protocol	Hand sanitizer stations will be located by entrance and exit doors. Spray bottles with food safe disinfectant will be present with microfiber towels in each classroom. Spaces and equipment used in classrooms will be wiped down after each use. Nightly classroom cleaning involves spraying all surfaces with an electrostatic sprayer, wiping down high touch surfaces, and completing "normal" cleaning.
Daily Schedules	Altered bell schedule for the first three days of school. Students can participate in an optional "Meet and Greet" on August 30 from 1:30-2:30 to acquaint themselves with the building, receive their locker assignment, and drop off supplies. More family communication on this to follow.
Review of Health & Safety Guidelines with Students	Staff will review Health & Safety Guidelines with students at the beginning of the year and create shared agreements for Health & Safety throughout the building.
Field Trips	Field trips will be limited to walking field trips when possible. Buses will transport students for sports and any necessary off-campus trips with parent permission. Overnight trips (like Winter Experience) will be put on hold and evaluated individually based on needs and goals. The Outdoor Education trip typically scheduled in fall has been canceled.
Illness/Attendance	Students should stay home with symptoms of any illness or while awaiting test results. Students cannot return to school until symptom-free for 24 hours if there is fever. Sick students at school will immediately report to the school health office to be screened or to check out of school. Call the attendance line to report absences 414-963-6959.
Instructional Technology	BYOD Guide Student Device Checkout Form
Library Access	The Library will be available for individual and small group student use for the 2021-22 school year

Lockers/Locker Rooms	Students will be assigned a hallway locker at the beginning of the school year. Students are encouraged to use a backpack during the day to limit locker use.
Lunch	Students will eat meals on campus in the lunchroom. Students will have the option to eat outdoors when weather permits. Students will be allowed to eat lunch at home with parent permission. Students will wipe down surfaces with cleaning products provided, before being allowed to leave the lunchroom
Parent/Family Communication Expectations	SIS emails a Weekly Bulletin through Infinite Campus to communicate with families. Any information that is time sensitive will be emailed individually.
Physical Education	Students will be assigned a gym locker to use for changing into clothing for activities. Masks will be optional for outdoor activities.
Recess	Students will have the opportunity to use indoor and outdoor spaces for recess during lunch. When using indoor spaces, participation will be limited to support physical distancing. Masks will be optional for students who choose to go outdoors.
Remote Learning for illness/quarantine protocol	Asynchronous learning materials will be available through Google Classroom for isolation, quarantine, and other situations that require an extended absence.
Social Distancing	All schools will work to maximize physical distancing in all spaces to the extent possible that students can engage in learning activities.
Student Well-being	Each day will start with a "Community Circle" advisory focused on building connections and a sense of community. SIS students will engage in a new curriculum called Project Wayfinder. Community Circle advisors will reach out to families prior to the start of the school year.
Visitors/Volunteers	Families will be able to visit the office for any necessary needs and will follow masking guidelines. Visitors inside the school will be limited to those necessary for learning activities and will follow masking guidelines.

Water Fountains/Water Bottles	SIS recommends the use of water bottles. Water bottle filling stations and drinking fountains will be
	available.

SHOREWOOD HIGH SCHOOL

ANTICIPATED COVID PROTOCOL IN PLACE FOR START OF SCHOOL	Revised: August 12, 2021
Assemblies, All-School or Class Programs/Celebrations	Information will be shared with students through Advisory and school email when possible. When class meetings become necessary, the SHS Auditorium will be utilized to allow for maximum social distancing.
Athletics & Extra-curricular activities Policies	Specific safety protocols for each sport are established by the National Safety Council following and/or exceeding WIAA expectations.
Band/Choir/Orchestra	Students will be distanced apart as much as possible. Students in choir and orchestra will remain masked. Students in band, who play a wind instrument, will utilize bell covers. When possible, windows will be opened to increase ventilation.
Bell Schedule	SHS 21-22
Class Changes/Stairwells	Movements between classes for passing times as normal. Updated masking and social distancing signage at entrances and in hallways.
Classroom Set-Up/Lay-Out/Seating	Classrooms will be arranged to maximize distance between students. We will strive, whenever practical, to maintain three feet of social distancing indoors. Students will be assigned to a seating chart. Any movement in the classroom will be to assigned spaces for students, when necessary.

Cleaning Protocol	Hand sanitizer stations will be located by entrance and exit doors. Spray bottles with food safe disinfectant will be present with microfiber towels in each classroom. Spaces and equipment used in classrooms will be wiped down after each use. Nightly classroom cleaning involves spraying all surfaces with an electrostatic sprayer, wiping down high touch surfaces, and completing "normal" cleaning.
Field Trips	Field trips will be limited to walking field trips when possible. Busses will be utilized for sports and any necessary off-campus trips with parent permission. Overnight trips will be put on hold and evaluated individually based on needs and goals.
Illness/Attendance	Students should stay home with symptoms of any illness or while awaiting test results. Students cannot return to school until symptom-free for 24 hours if there is fever. Sick students at school will immediately report to the school health office to be screened or to check out of school.
Instructional Technology	BYOD Guide Student Device Checkout Form
Library Access	The LMC is on track to be available to students by Thanksgiving of 2021
Lockers/Locker Rooms	Students will be coming to campus prior to the start of the school year to self select a locker. This will be coordinated and communicated to students and families from the main office.
Lunch	Students are encouraged to utilize open campus lunch whenever possible. Lunch pickup can still occur at POD. Students will be encouraged to eat outside when weather permitting, utilize hallways, open campus lunch, and the pool lobby on campus to distance.
Physical Education	Same as last year with the exception that locker rooms will be available; more information to follow for freshman students.
Remote Learning for illness/quarantine protocol	Live streaming will only be available for isolation and quarantine situations directly related to COVID-19 that require an extended absence.

Social Distancing	All schools will work to maximize social distancing in all spaces to the extent possible that students can still engage in learning activities.
Student Well-being	SHS restructured the school day to include an advisory period which students will be scheduled into twice weekly. This will include opportunities for academic and social emotional support. Students will also have access to a newly renovated student support suite on the 1st floor of the Admin Building.
Visitors/Volunteers	Families will be able to visit the office for any necessary needs and will follow masking guidelines. Visitors will be limited to those necessary for learning activities. All visitors will follow masking guidelines.
Water Fountains/Water Bottles	Recommend use of water bottles. Water bottle filling stations and drinking fountains will be available for students to fill water bottles.
ANTICIPATED BUILDING OPERATIONS IMPACTED BY CONSTRUCTION AT START OF SCHOOL	
Doors - Entering/Exiting (students)	During the school day, entrance/exit doors will be accessible to students for entering and exiting, with the exception of the doors leading to the arena/youth center. Construction zones are clearly fenced off and marked. Campus Supervisors will be located within each building, to assist students and reinforce wayfinding.
Parking	Due to construction on the SHS parking lot, scheduled to be completed by November 2021, no visitor/student parking will be available (with the exception of handicap accessible parking.) Parking for non-staff will need to be on the adjacent side streets where parking is permitted.
Visitors to campus (including parents/caregivers)	Visitors to campus should only enter the Administration Building (except Fitness Center members and swimmers) through the new main entrance located on the south side of the Administration Building.

Pick Up / Drop Off	The parking lot will be available for student pick up/drop off, but please be aware that the parking lot is under construction on the West and South sides. Use caution and please drive slowly.
Safety	We will orient all students on how to navigate safely with the construction at the high school and continue to reinforce staying safe as the construction work continues.