



**June 25, 2020**

Hello, Scottsdale Unified Families!

As shared with you earlier this week, in a renewed effort to stem the spread of coronavirus, Maricopa County and all of the municipalities in which Scottsdale Unified conducts business (Scottsdale, Phoenix and Paradise Valley) have issued emergency proclamations, ordinances or regulations mandating the wearing of face masks or other material covering the nose and mouth while in public places.

As a result, while these orders remain in effect, all employees, students, athletes, coaches, visitors, volunteers and all people on Scottsdale Unified properties are required to wear a face mask/covering. Persons without a face covering will not be permitted to enter or remain in any SUSD facility.

Previous communication had directed 12-month SUSD employees to return on July 1, 2020. Considering the current increase in COVID-19 cases in Maricopa County, SUSD has moved the date for return to worksites to **Monday, July 13, 2020**.

- While visiting any District or school facility, all individuals over the age of 2 years are required to wear a face mask and adhere to physical distancing requirements.
- SUSD employees interfacing with the public will also be required to wear a mask and adhere to the same distancing requirements.
- Since some of our schools are under construction and elementary schools are not open during the summer, we recommend that you contact the school or office you wish to visit in advance to schedule an appointment. A listing of all schools and their contact information can be found at [www.susd.org/Schools](http://www.susd.org/Schools).

### **Timeline for Back-to-School Plan Announcements**

The subcommittees working on SUSD's reopening plans continue to refine the details and their recommendations for the reopening of our schools. These recommendations will be synthesized into a single, comprehensive plan that will be presented and discussed at a **July 7, 2020 Governing Board meeting** that you can watch live (or catch the recording of afterwards) on SUSD's YouTube channel at <http://bit.ly/0623MTG>. Agendas for Governing Board meetings are posted at least 24 hours in advance of meetings at [www.susd.org/Board](http://www.susd.org/Board). The District Office will continue to provide regular updates to families and employees, all of which are posted publicly at [www.susd.org/COVID19](http://www.susd.org/COVID19).

We anticipate that the July 9 version of this update will include the information your family and student(s) want to know about coming back to school in August.

The recommendations of the subcommittees and the plan presented to the SUSD Governing Board on July 7 will take into account the recommendations of the Centers

for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and other leading experts with whom we have been working diligently, as well as stakeholder feedback provided in a recent survey of students, parents and employees.

### **Teaching and Learning Models for the 2020-2021 School Year**

Three Teaching and Learning models will be recommended to the SUSD Governing Board on July 7, 2020, for Elementary, Middle and High School instruction. The three SUSD proposed models are:

1. Onsite Every Day (Pre-K–12)  
*Students meet in person on campus for instruction five days per week*
2. Hybrid (K-12)  
*On-campus instruction blended with at-home, online learning. The ability to offer the hybrid model at each campus is dependent on parent interest.*
3. Online (K-12)  
*Full-time online instruction with SUSD teachers*

### **Operations and Logistics Subcommittee Update**

Planning and preparation is underway specific to procedures for cleaning, transportation, nutritional services and health services. As a reminder, the subcommittee is guided by the recommendations of the [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention \(CDC\)](#), [Maricopa County Department of Public Health \(MCDPH\)](#) and medical experts.

Please be reminded of Back to School Immunizations. View the immunization requirements by the State of Arizona in [English](#) or [Spanish](#). While we are doing all we can to stop the spread of COVID-19, it is also critical that our students are also protected against other preventable illnesses through these immunizations.

### **Social and Emotional Learning Update**

The Social Emotional subcommittee of the Incident Command Team continues its planning and work on recommendations on a variety of strategies to support re-engagement activities and community building. Relevant professional development for SUSD teachers will include trauma-informed practices and self-care, with a focus on increasing protective factors to meet the social emotional needs of students. Regardless of the learning model for the 2020-2021 school year, our staff, students and families will have access to support services, including information provided during the school year, which can be found on the SUSD website at <https://www.susd.org/supportservices>.

Should you need assistance this summer, please contact Shannon Cronn, Clinical Services Coordinator, at [scronn@susd.org](mailto:scronn@susd.org), or Karey Trusler, Social Worker at [ktrusler@susd.org](mailto:ktrusler@susd.org).

### **Kids Club Summer Camp**

With summer camps underway, please be reminded of our procedures and protocols, which include enhanced cleaning protocols and increased safety measures. Parents and students are provided with that guidance upon enrollment.

Register for summer camp here: <https://www.susd.org/Page/527>

### **Stay Up-to-Date All Summer**

No matter where your summer plans take you, news from your school and the District Office is always just a click away. Sign up for our social media accounts listed and linked at [www.susd.org/Connect](http://www.susd.org/Connect) and view all of our District news at [www.susd.org/News](http://www.susd.org/News).

We hope each of you continues to stay safe and healthy, and that you are enjoying summer break. Our next scheduled update is set for Thursday, July 9, 2020.

Thank you,  
Scottsdale Unified School District Cabinet