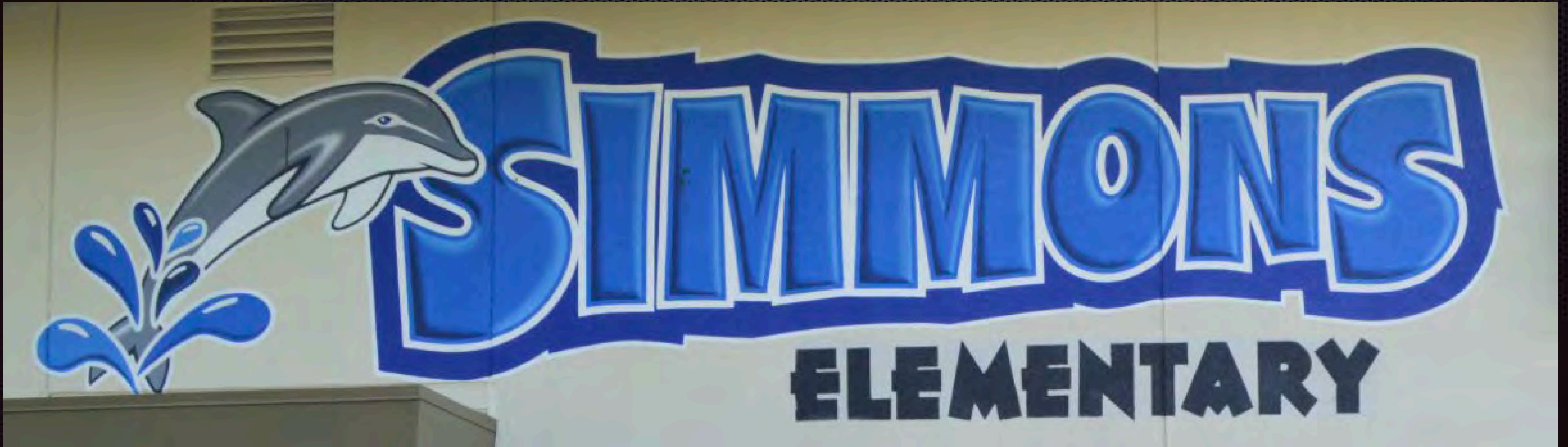


Simmons Elementary School

2020-2021 Hybrid Reopening

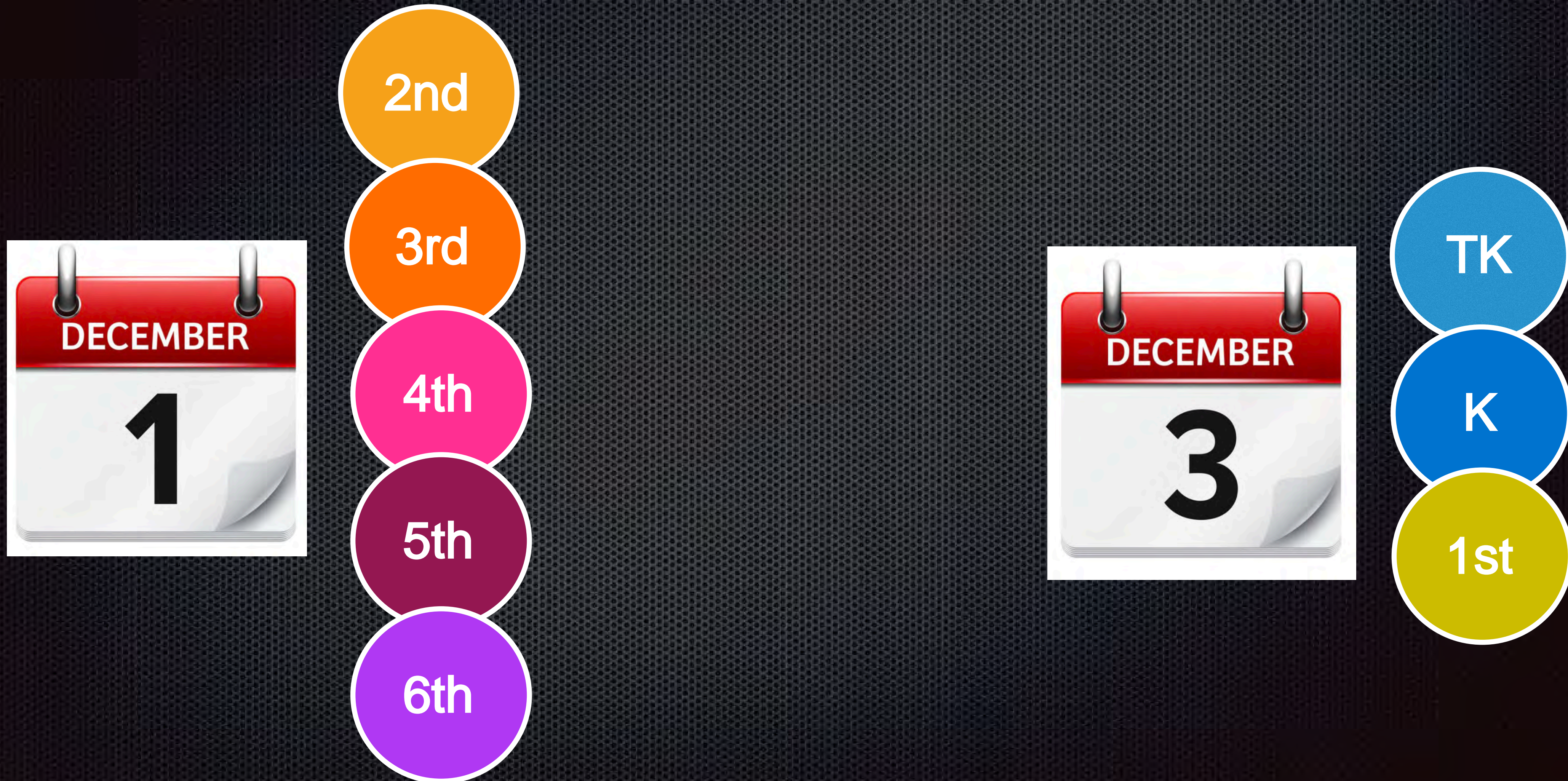


Welcome Back

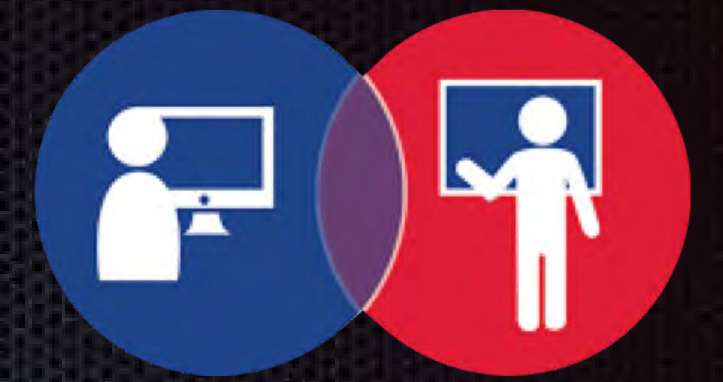


We are excited to welcome you back to campus.

SIMMONS RE-OPENING DATES



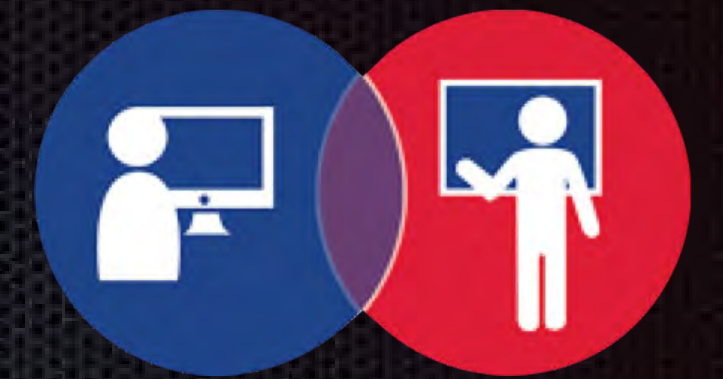
Hybrid Learning Schedules



- ***Option 1: IN -PERSON** (Hybrid). At school half day / at home half day
- Five days per week 1/2 day on campus with teacher and other students, and 1/2 day independent asynchronous distance learning at home. Students will attend class on campus for 2 hours and 40 minutes daily and will be assigned to either a morning cohort or an afternoon cohort (Wednesdays will be reduced to 2 hours in person for minimum day). Half-day school allows us to meet the physical distancing requirements in the classrooms. We will accommodate attendance in the same cohorts for siblings. Deciding whether students will be placed in the am or pm cohort relies on many factors in our school-wide schedule. Unfortunately we cannot guarantee a specific placement for am or pm.
- ***Option 2: ONLINE ONLY** (Virtual). Online all day
- Five days per week full day distance learning at home, completely online in a similar format to what you are currently doing (half day live zoom with a teacher/ half day independently asynchronous activities online). Distance learning will be provided by a Simmons teacher through Zoom with other students who are also at home, or through live streaming into the classroom virtually with the teacher and students who are on campus.

You are making a long-term commitment to the program that you choose. Changes can only be made with administrator approval and based on available space.

Hybrid Learning Schedules



Morning Cohort Group Schedule:

160 Minutes of Instruction **IN-PERSON**

- 8:25-8:35 On Campus Arrival
- 8:35-11:15 In-Person Instruction

BREAK

- 11:15-11:25 Dismissal/Grab and go lunch,
- 11:25-12:15 Travel and lunch at home

160 Minutes of Learning **AT-HOME**

- 12:15-2:55 Asynchronous Learning and practice, completion of assignments.
- Wednesdays (early dismissal 10:35):
- 120 Minutes of Instruction **IN-PERSON**
- 120 Minutes of Learning **AT-HOME**

Afternoon Cohort Group Schedule:

160 Minutes of Learning **AT-HOME**

- 8:35-11:15 Asynchronous Learning and practice, completion of assignments.

BREAK

- 11:15-12:05 Lunch at home and Travel
- 12:05-12:15 On Campus Arrival

160 Minutes of Instruction **IN-PERSON**

- 12:15-2:55 In-Person Instruction
- 2:55-3:05 Dismissal/Grab and go lunch
- Wednesdays (late arrival 12:55):
- 120 Minutes of Instruction **AT-HOME**
- 120 Minutes of Learning **IN-PERSON**

Let's look at a day in the life of a student on campus:



A safe day begins at home

- Parents are the front line for campus safety. It is extremely important for parents to be diligent about following all protocols for screening their child's health and keep them home if they have symptoms of illness.



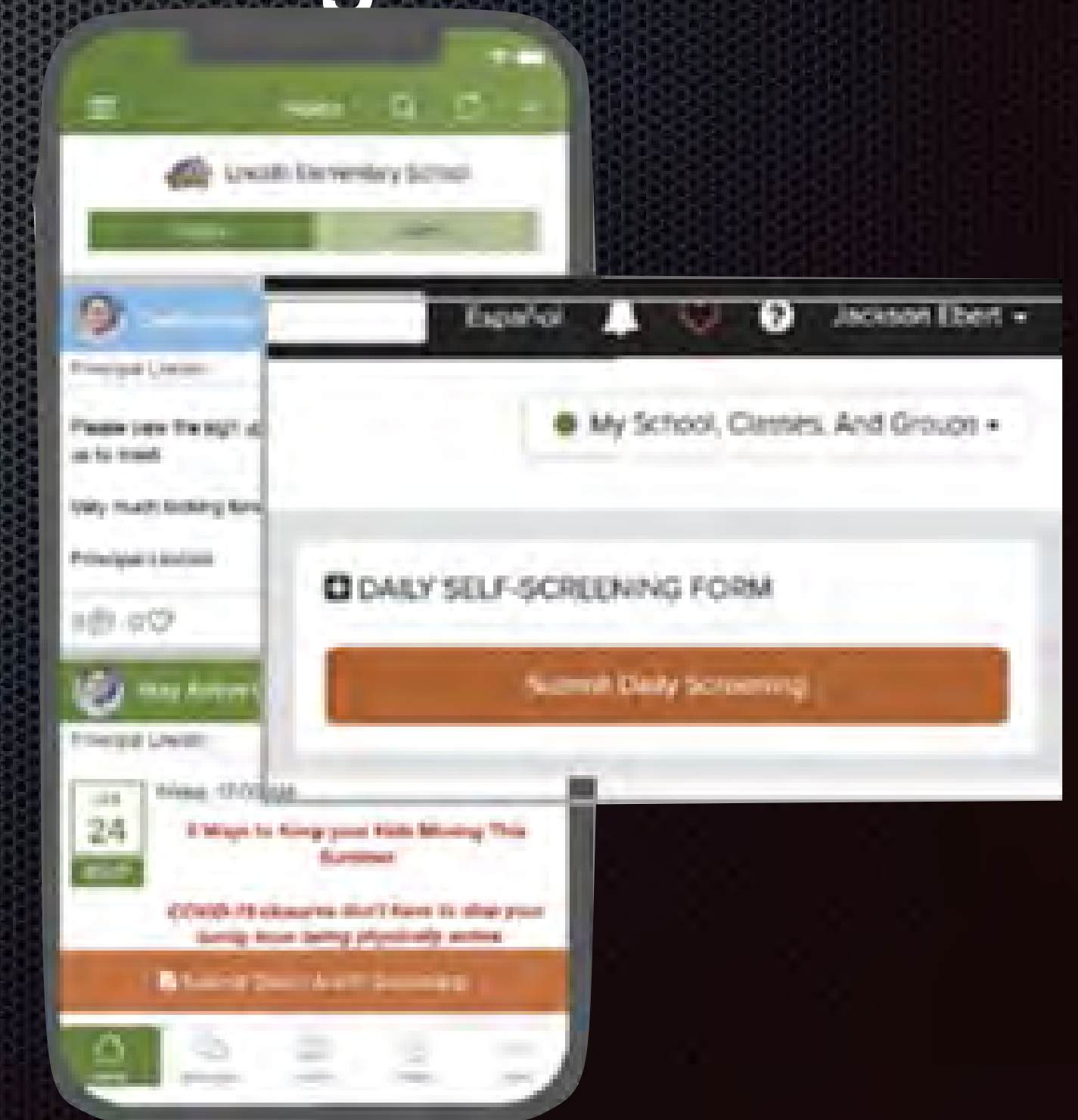
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BEFORE coming onto campus each day, all staff and students will need to complete the Parent Square Health Screening Form .

Click here to watch:

[Daily Screening Video](#)

- If you answer yes to any question in Section 1, your child should remain home until symptom-free for at least 24 hours.
- If you answer yes to any question in Section 2, you should consult your health-care provider and the student should remain home until symptoms subside.



TEMPERATURE CHECKS will be taken on all students before entering campus.



MASKS
All students must be wearing a mask to come into campus



Bus Riders

- Temperatures will be taken before students get on the bus to come to school. If a student has a fever, A GGUSD employee will remain at the bus stop and the parent will be asked to pick them up from the bus stop. Please have a back up plan in place for if your child experiences this situation.
- Hand sanitizer will be available for students on the bus.
- Students will be seated every other seat.
- Students must wear masks.
- Families/Siblings will sit together.

Student Arrival

- Gates will open 10 minutes prior to start time. Students will go directly to the classroom to organize their learning area and prepare for their day.
- To limit the risk of COVID-19, parents and guardians are not permitted to walk children to the gate or wait on campus for students to be dismissed.
- Car Drop -off - Parents that are driving their children to school will drop their children off using the yellow curb car line at the front of the school. Students will get out of the car at the front cement slab where there is an adult on duty
- Walking - Most students walking to school will enter campus through the pedestrian gate at the Orangewood entrance. If students live in the neighborhood connected to Simmons, they may enter at the front gate.
- Bus Riders - Bus riders will exit the bus directly onto campus.

Classroom Protocols

- . Students will wash their hands or use hand sanitizer when entering the classroom.
- . Students will wear masks and maintain a physical distance of six feet as much as possible.
- . Students need to bring their **CHARGED** device and backpack to school daily. If they are using a personal device at home, they will use a school device in class. Personal devices will not connect to the school internet and are not allowed at school. The school is not responsible for any personal items.
- . Students will not share items with other students.
- . Students will have a 10 minute break during their instructional time, but the playground area will remain closed at this time.
- . All classrooms will be cleaned and disinfected between the AM & PM Cohorts and after school.

stop the spread

3 W'S TO REDUCE THE RISK OF COVID-19



Wear a
mask



Wash your
hands



Watch your
distance

Wear a Mask

- Masks are required at all times for staff, students and visitors to the office.
- Masks and mask lanyards will be provided for all students.
- Masks should fit snugly over both the nose and mouth.
- An outdoor location will be provided if a student needs a quick mask break.
- Staff and students also have the option to wear a district provided face shield in addition to a mask, but not as a replacement for a mask.



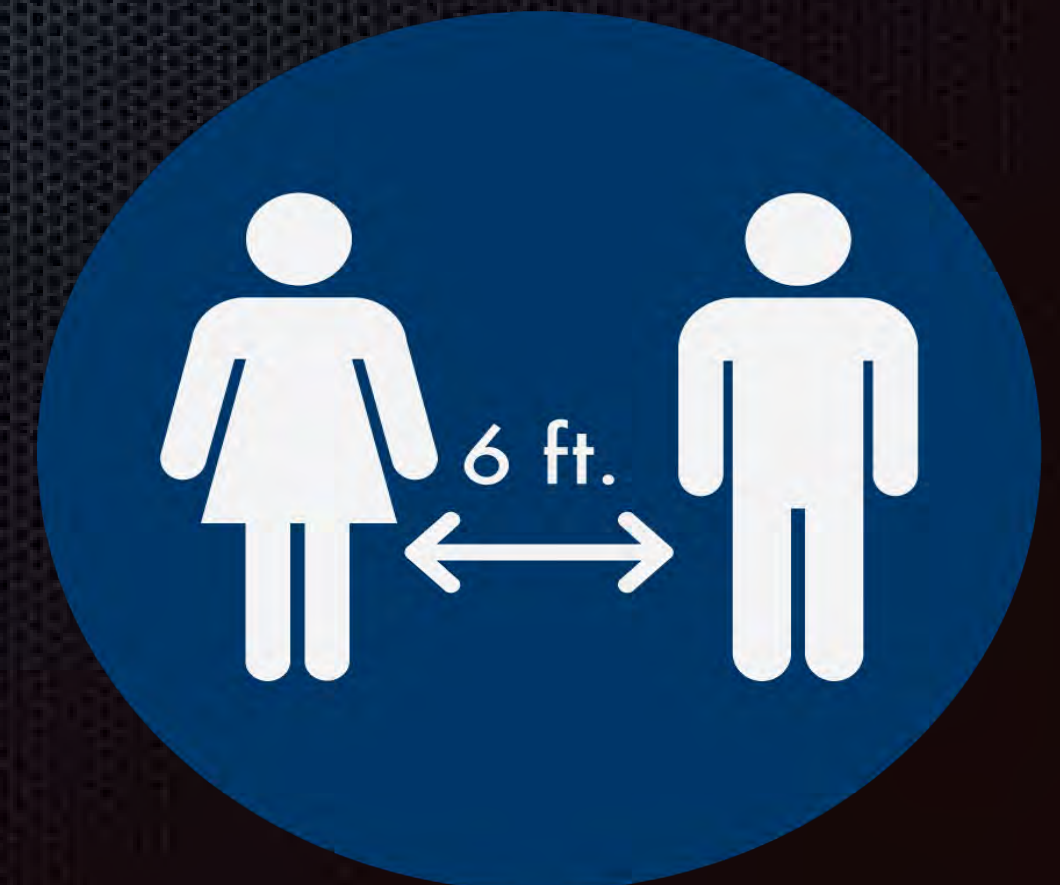
Wash Your Hands

- Portable hand washing stations have been placed throughout campus
- Touch free Hand sanitizing stations have been installed in all classrooms.
- Routines for hand sanitizing as students and staff enter and exit all classrooms will be expected.



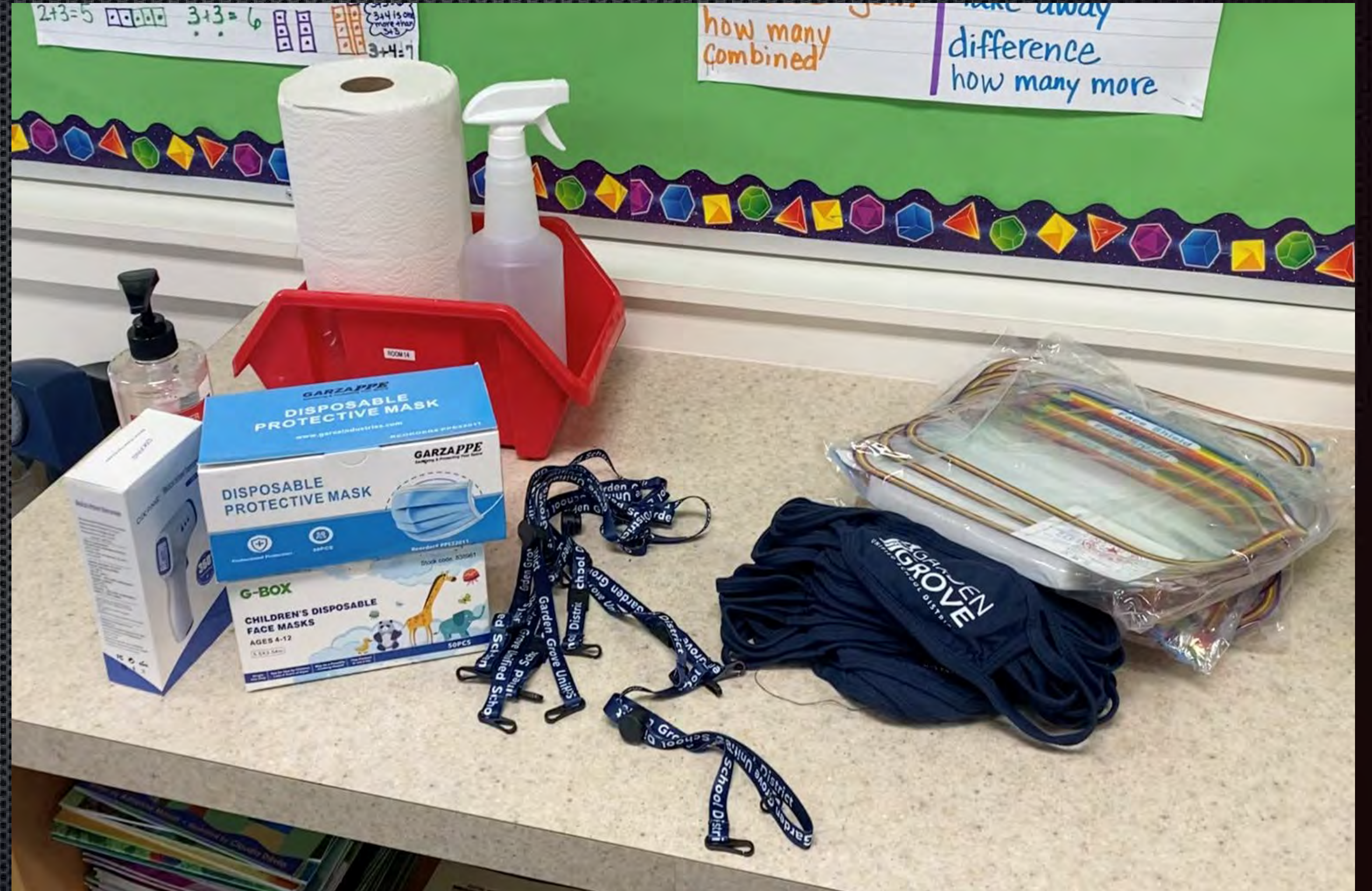
Watch your Distance

- Efforts will be made in all areas of campus to promote physical distancing
- Desks are spaced 6' apart
- Walkways are marked with spacing decals



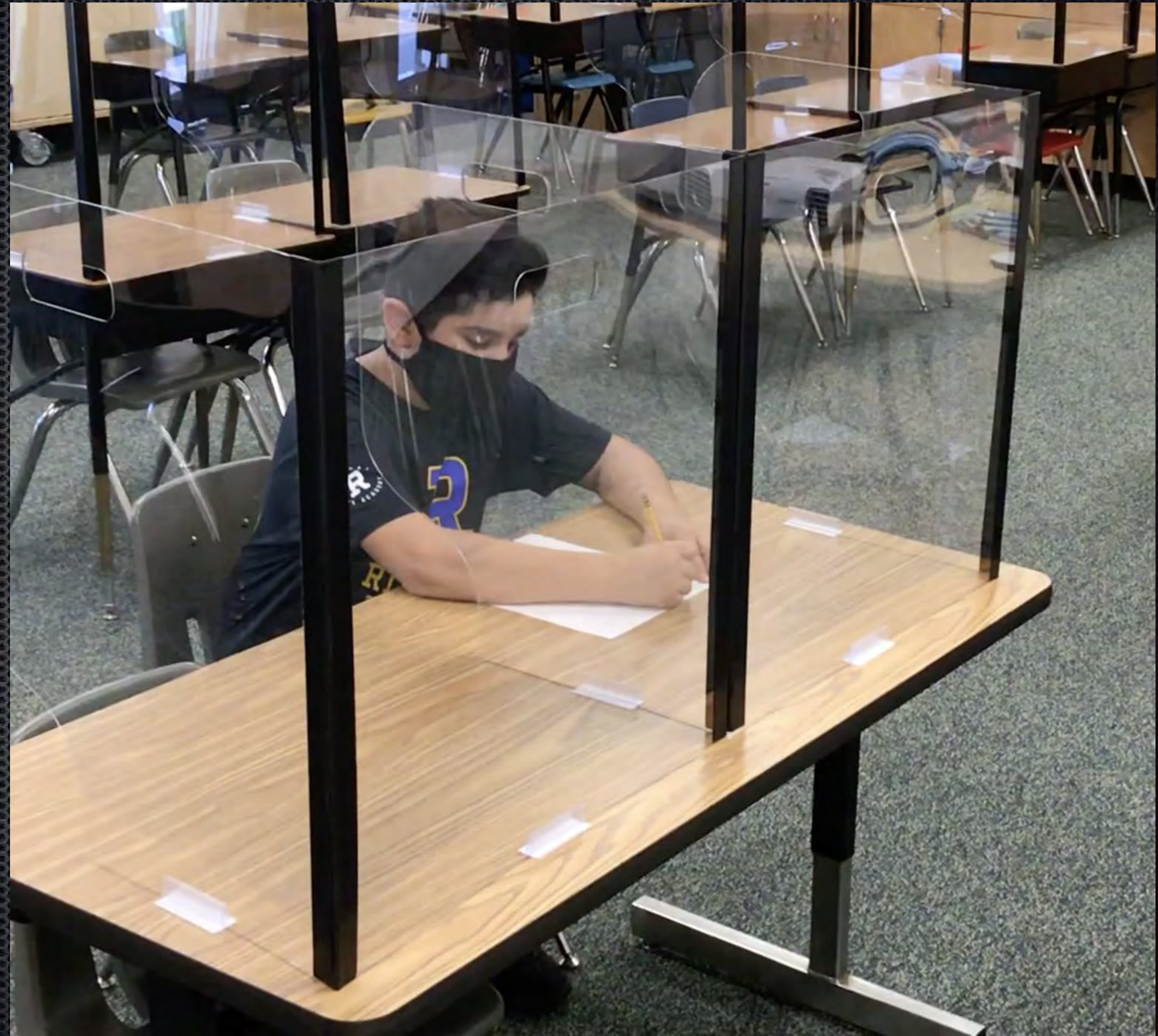
Classroom Supplies

- **Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)** - All classrooms have been supplied with appropriate PPE and disinfecting supplies. Each classroom has a supply of face coverings, disinfecting spray, paper towels, tissue, and face shields.



Study Carrels

- Plexiglass study carrels will be utilized on all student and teacher desks as an additional precaution.



Restroom Protocols



Restrooms will only allow 3 children at a time and will have identified waiting areas to support appropriate distancing. Cleaning will occur throughout the day.

- **No Touch Water Bottle Stations** have replaced drinking fountains.

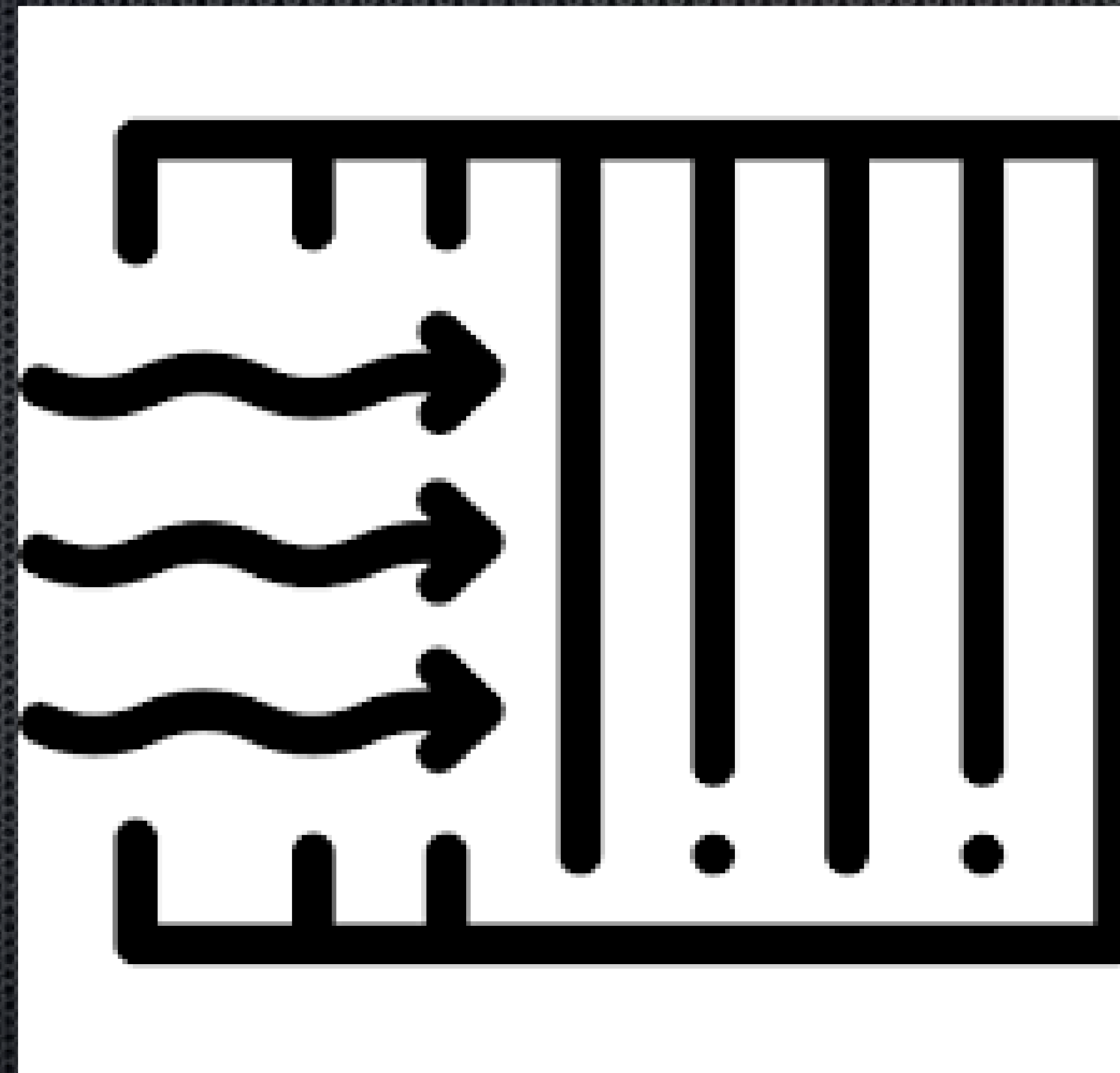


Outdoor shade structure with new tables will soon be installed to allow for additional outdoor learning areas.



HVAC Upgrades

- **Air Filters** - All air conditioning and heating system filters have been upgraded to MERV 13 filters as recommended by CDC guidelines. Systems have also been adjusted for maximum circulation of outdoor air.





. WiFi coverage has been increased to the campus to allow for students to access lessons throughout the entire campus including outdoor spaces.



All students have access to a school
Chromebook

Other Information

- **Grab and Go breakfast and lunch** will be available to all students each day, but will be eaten before or after students come to school at home. There is no cost for breakfast and lunch at this time. Prior to dismissal, meals will be delivered to the classroom to be distributed as students leave. Please do not bring snacks to school.
- **Visitors on Campus** Only essential visitors will be allowed on campus. This includes students, faculty, staff, district employees. Face coverings and COVID screening, including temperature checks will be required for all visitors. At this time no volunteers will be allowed on campus.



VISITOR

Other Information

- **Attendance** If your child is not feeling well for any reason please have them stay home. It is important that we keep everyone healthy and do not spread the virus. Please notify the school prior to the start of the day if your child will not be attending by calling 714-663-6096.



- **Communication Policy** - To limit the risk of COVID-19 transmission our communication policies have changed. If parents need to meet with the teacher, principal, or staff member, the meeting should be scheduled ahead of time. Where possible video conferencing, phone calls or emails should be utilized. All staff email addresses are available at: <http://simmons.ggusd.us> and through the Parent Square app.



Dismissal From School

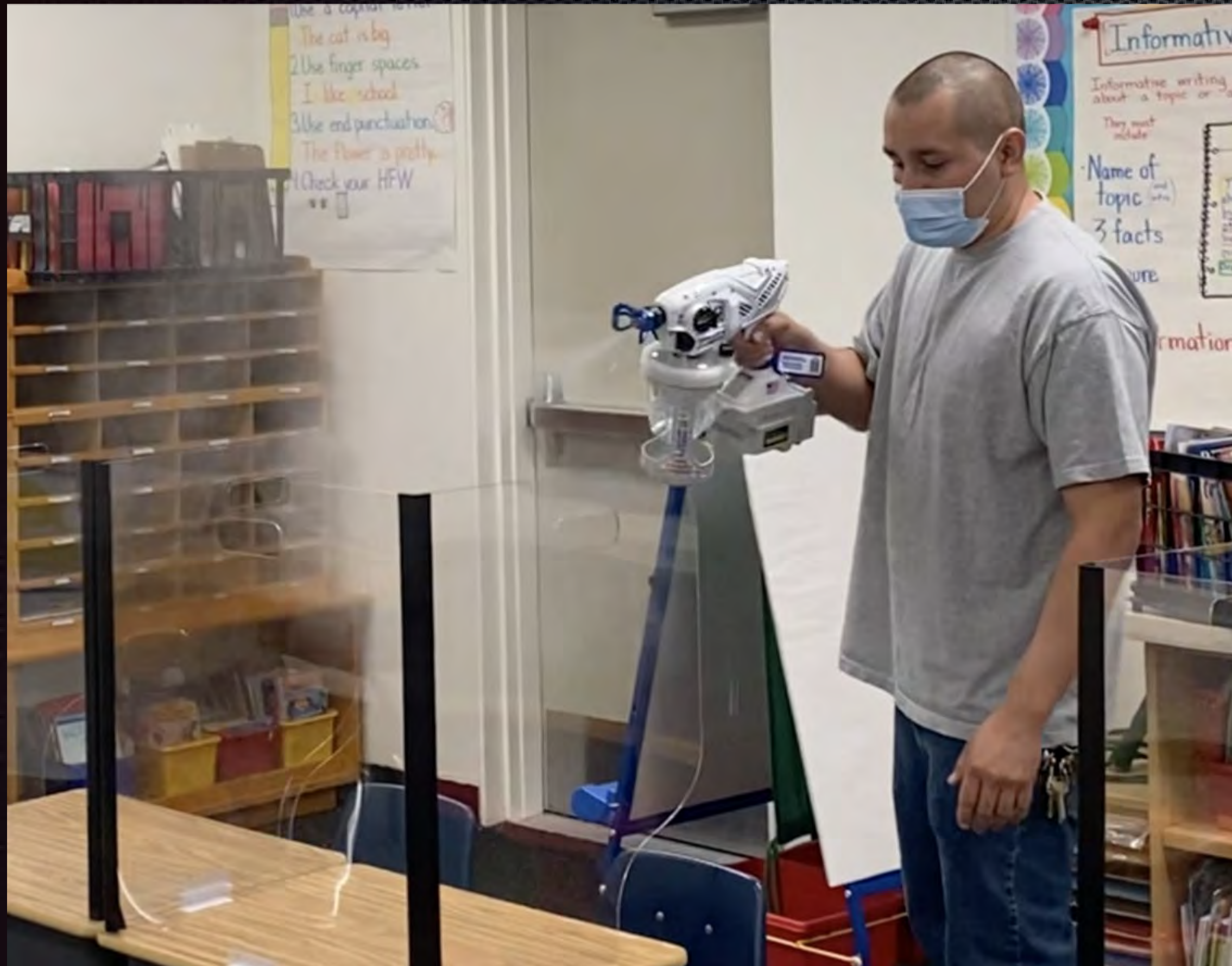
It is important that students are picked up on time.

- **Car Pick -up** - Dismissal will look very similar to the arrival. Parents should be prepared to remain in their car and pick up their child from the yellow curb car line. Please do not get out of your car to wait for your child on campus.
- **Walking** - If your child is walking please have a designated place where they will meet you to pick them up outside of campus.
- During dismissal, the grass area in front of school will be marked so students know where to safely stand while waiting to be picked -up.
- **Bus Riders** - spots on the ground will identify where students will stand 6 feet apart while waiting to board the bus.

Cleaning and Disinfecting

- . There will be stringent cleaning, disinfecting and sanitizing procedures, including:
 - . Using airless disinfectant sprayers that deliver consistent coverage
 - . Classrooms, restrooms and the office will be cleaned and disinfected daily and in between class sessions to ensure maximum disinfecting at all times
 - . There will be additional focus on high touch surfaces (desks, chairs, countertops, doorknobs, light switches, dispensers, faucets, fixtures, etc.)
 - . All cleaners and disinfectants are EPA approved
 - . Dispensers will be refilled on a regular basis
 - . Trash will be emptied and replaced with new liners

Disinfecting Sprayers - All custodians have received and have been trained on new disinfecting sprayers that deliver a consistent coverage to disinfect classrooms. All cleaners and disinfectants are EPA approved.



Student Illness



- . If your child becomes ill while at school we will count on you to arrange for the immediate pick up of your child. Please have a secondary plan in place in case you are not personally available to come get your child immediately.
- . Depending on the symptoms, students who are sent home from school may be required to provide a doctor's note, negative COVID -19 test, or quarantine for 14 days in order to return to school. Please have a plan in place for what you will do if this becomes true for your child.
- . COVID-19 testing for students is available at multiple locations throughout the county. Please visit the district web site or call the school office if you need help finding a testing site.

County Health Guidelines for Schools

Student Symptom Decision Tree

Screen all students for potential COVID-19 symptoms or exposure

Low-risk: general symptoms



Fever ($\geq 100.4^{\circ}\text{F}$)



Congestion/runny nose



Nausea/vomiting/diarrhea



Sore throat



Headache



Fatigue/muscle
or body aches

High-risk: red flag symptoms



Cough



Difficulty breathing



Loss of taste/smell

Exposure to COVID-19 positive person?

Close contact: less than 6 feet, 15 minutes or longer

NO

▶ 1 **low risk** symptom



Send home



Return to school 24 hrs after symptom resolution (without fever reducing medication)

▶ ≥2 **low risk** symptoms
OR 1 **high risk** symptom



Send home



Evaluation by health care provider

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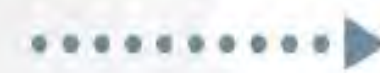
Health care provider confirms alternative diagnosis for symptoms. A health care provider's note must be on file. SARS-CoV-2 PCR test not needed.



Return to school after 24 hrs without fever and symptoms improving

2

Negative SARS-CoV-2 PCR test.



Return to school after 24 hrs without fever and symptoms improving

3

Positive SARS-CoV-2 PCR test
OR
No provider visit or test.



Return to school only after 10 days since symptom onset and 24 hrs without fever. Quarantine close contacts of confirmed cases. Contact HCA if questions.

YES



Stay home*



Return to school after 14 days from last contact, unless symptoms develop. If symptoms develop, perform SARS-CoV-2 PCR test.

*In consultation with OC Health Care Agency (HCA)

If your child tested positive for COVID-19 or is in close contact with someone with COVID-19, they should follow the quarantine processes outlined by their health care provider.

CARE Room



Simmons has a designated CARE (Covid Assessment Response and Evaluation) room to isolate individuals with COVID-19 symptoms who will be sent home ASAP.

- Teachers/Staff will determine what kind of care a student needs:
 - Students with COVID-19 symptoms will be sent to the CARE Room
 - Common scrapes/injuries or non -COVID-19 symptoms will be sent to the regular health office
- The CARE Room has a separate entrance and exit away from common areas
- The CARE room has HEPA Air Purification Systems and CDC-compliant ventilation
- A staff member will monitor the CARE Room and will not interact with other students or staff to avoid exposure
- An LVN or RN will determine if your child needs to go home.



Dashboard

School/Location	Number of Students & Staff (In-Person)*	Current Confirmed Cases**		Proportion of School Population
		Students	Staff	
Allen Elementary	677	0	0	0
Anthony Elementary	386	0	0	0
Barker Elementary	461	0	0	0
Brookhurst Elementary	470	0	0	0

<https://ggusd.us/covid-19dashboard>

Q: When and how will I be notified if someone at my site tests positive for COVID-19?

A: In the event of a confirmed case, the principal will send a ParentSquare message to 1) all staff and parents of students who have been identified as close contacts; 2) a low exposure notification to students/staff in the classroom who are not close contacts if applicable; and 3) a message to the entire school community. Close contact is considered being within 6 feet of an individual with COVID-19 for 15 minutes or more cumulative within 24 hours. The district will report all confirmed cases of COVID-19 to the Orange County Health Care Agency for consultation and an exposure investigation. The district will only communicate and provide data for confirmed COVID-19 cases.

Q: Will the school tell me who has COVID-19 at the school?

A: No, privacy laws require schools to maintain the confidentiality of individuals who have symptoms or test positive for COVID-19.

Q: Will the district notify the community each time there is a confirmed case?

A: No, the impacted school community will be informed when there is a confirmed case at their site. The district will post all confirmed cases for the previous 14 days on the Dashboard.

The district web site will post weekly data showing the number of confirmed staff and student COVID-19 cases at each district site.

FAQ

Where do I find out if my child has been assigned to the AM or PM group?

The school will let all families know whether their child is in the AM or PM group. Our first priority is to ensure all siblings are together in the same cohort. We will not know which you are assigned to until ALL parent surveys have been completed, so please provide your survey as soon as possible.

I have a TK/K or 1st grade student and am worried about dropping him/her off. Can I walk him/her to the classroom?

Unfortunately, we cannot have visitors on campus, which includes parents walking students to class. Extra staff will be on campus to welcome students and help guide them to the classroom.

FAQ

Can my child eat breakfast or lunch at school?

Students will not be eating breakfast or lunch at school. AM students should eat breakfast at home before arriving in the morning, and PM students should eat breakfast and lunch at home before arriving in the afternoon. Students may choose to take a “Grab and Go” lunch and breakfast to take home with them at the end of their session. These can be eaten the following day before coming to school.

How early can I drop my child off for school?

Supervision will be available 10 minutes before the start of each school session. We ask that parents not bring their child to school earlier than this.

FAQ

How will my child know where to go before school?

Students will be walking directly to their classroom. There will be Simmons and GGUSD staff all around campus to guide and assist students. Please make sure your child knows his/her teacher's name and room number.

Will Boys and Girls Club be available for my child to attend?

We will have a very limited number of spaces for student supervision through Boys and Girls' Club. Please indicate your interest on the parent survey.

Other Resources

[Hand Washing Video](#)

[Face Covering Video](#)

[Physical Distancing Video](#)

[School Bus Safety Video](#)

Thank you

