

Salem Community High School Return to Learn

Additional Instructional Information

These procedures have been developed by the Salem Community High School Transition Team using the results of a parent survey based on the most recent guidance document from the Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) and the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH).

Overview

During Phase 4, ISBE/IDPH guidelines will:

- Require use of appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE), including face coverings
- Prohibit more than 50 individuals from gathering in one space to the greatest extent possible
- Require social distancing be observed to the greatest extent possible
- Require that schools conduct temperature checks and symptom screenings
- Require an increase in school-wide cleaning and disinfection.

Transportation/Busing

Salem Community High School will continue to provide transportation. In an effort to reduce the number of students on the bus at any one time, parents are encouraged to provide transportation for their student whenever possible.

Arrival to School

The building will be locked and secured until 7:40 AM. Please do not arrive or drop-off before then. When students enter the building, they will be going straight to their first hour class.

Cafeteria

The cafeteria will be open for breakfast, but students are encouraged to eat breakfast at home whenever possible. The cafeteria tables will be spaced apart and only one student per table will be allowed.

Facilities

All custodial/maintenance staff will be trained on the return to school guidelines, where applicable. These procedures will include extra sanitation efforts using certified EPA products in both low/high contact areas including:

- Desktops
- Door handles
- Countertops
- Handrails

- Light switches
- Drinking fountains
- Restroom fixtures

Lockers

Students will be assigned lockers to be used for personal belongings, but are encouraged to use them sparingly. The lockers will be distanced from one another to the greatest extent possible by utilizing empty lockers in between and through the alphabet groups with students in the building on different days. The backpack policy remains unchanged as student may use any backpack to renter school, but they must remain in lockers and are still not allowed in the classroom.

Water Fountains

Water fountains have been locked, but the bottle fill service remains open. Students will be allowed to carry school issued water bottles during the day. Replacement water bottles may be purchased. Masks must remain on while taking a drink, but while maintaining social distance, may be moved to the side to allow the squirt bottle to be used while keeping the nose covered.

Physical Education

The regular physical education program will not dress out and will conduct all activities outside to begin the school year. When socially distanced, students will be allowed to remove masks. If students cannot be socially distanced during the activity, then masks will continued to be worn. Athletic weight training will utilize masks while inside.

Vocational Education

The vocational education program will proceed as normal. Students in courses that have laboratory/shop setting will be allowed to utilize those facilities while continuing to wear masks and to socially distance in those setting. Fire retardant face coverings will be provided when necessary.

Driver's Education

The behind-the-wheel driver education program will continue with a driver, a maximum of one passenger, and the instructor in the vehicle, and all will be required to wear a mask. The classroom portion of the driver's education program will also continue, but may go on longer than the scheduled nine weeks in order to obtain the required classroom hours. There will be a calendar set up and students will have to be present in-person or remotely in order to obtain the required hours. Students may be removed from the class once they can no longer achieve the state required classroom hours within the extended calendar.

Music Education

Band and choir classes will be conducted. The classes will go outside for any performance of music. There will be supplemental curriculum for students on their remote days.