

August 8 update School opening SSK

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- ALL CLASSES PREK THROUGH EIGHT WILL HAVE A CAPPED ENROLLMENT per classroom. IF REGISTRATION EXCEEDS THE CAP A WAITING LIST WILL BE CREATED. STUDENTS ENROLLED AS OF JUNE 2020 (past school year) WILL BE GIVEN PRIORITY. Students moved from waiting list should an opening occur will be done based on date of addition to waiting list.
- SSK will open in a **normal format** on September 2 starting with a half day
- We will closely follow the Adams Cheshire schedule with some exceptions to be identified later
- A full year calendar is available, but will definitely be subject to change-including the need to add teacher professional development time.
- Our staff will be prepared for three scenarios: REGULAR FULL DAY, Hybrid, and Remote
- We anticipate making a HYBRID/REMOTE learning environment available to a limited number of students/parents-this option will involve a private discussion with the Principal and the child's teacher(s). An online program through "Catholic Virtual" is also an option. Parents may discuss the individual option of their registered child starting later than September 2-Please let know how you feel via email
- Situations such snow days, staff illness, or changing state mandates could result in "REMOTE" days for the entire school or specific grades. We are trying to anticipate EVERY possible situation.
- Adams-Cheshire District provides bus transportation to some of our students that meet in-district bussing guidelines-WE HAVE NO INFORMATION concerning this
- We will open and follow a regular school day. Start and end times will be as in the past 8:25 am to 3:05 pm unless modified by bus schedule
- We will offer extended day before and after school (fee)
- We will have "specialist subjects" of music, art, PE, and computer subject to health guidelines.
- We will have a "Covid Room" separate from the nurse's office as per mandated guidelines
- Everyone in grades 2 (our goal will be to train all students to use face covering) and above and adults working or entering building will be required to wear face coverings. Various types of coverings to be identified before start of school. Parents are to provide face masks. School will have back up supply of masks. Dress code applies to masks. No political messaging or masks that distract from the learning process.
- Students, when properly seated, will be allowed "face covering breaks"
- Lunch will be in classrooms. Lunch protocol to be established and shared with staff and parents. This could change based on ever changing guidelines.
- All individuals in the building will be required to sign in and out for tracing purposes and wear face covering.
- Strict protocols for distancing, cleaning, etc will be followed as established locally and at the Diocese level
- Student supply list of materials required for the fall (provided at end of year and online) will be updated in August to reflect any new health protocols/guidelines.
- Done: Walk through (three occasions) of school by Superintendent.
- Done: Walk through of school by Michael Perreault-Director of Infection Prevention & Control Berkshire Medical Center. Comprehensive report and cover letter included. Regular visits by Mr. Perreault when school is in session to insure compliance.
- Done: Walk through of school with Adams Police Chief Troy Bacon. Discussion of safety protocols and close cooperation during school year.
- Done: Walk through of school with Fire Chief John M. Pansecchi and review of guidance from State Fire Marshal.
- To be done: Walk through of building with Adams Health inspector.
- Coming: A very detailed list of protocols for cleaning, Symptom identification, guidelines for staff and students (A Diocese Plan: **Opening our Schools** is in the final stages of review).
- We will try to answer your questions. However, we may have to create an FAQ document for posting. Be aware there could be a lag time concerning up-to-date postings on our website.

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