ROSLYN MIDDLE SCHOOL OPENING PLAN 2021-2022 WE ARE BACK! YOU GOT THIS...WE GOT YOU!

AUGUST 25, 2021



MEETINGS NORMS

- Please mute your computers.
- Put your first and last name in the chat and we will call on you to ask a question.
- If we do not get to everyone, you can contact us by calling the school at (516) 801-5200 or emailing us directly:
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WELCOMETO ROSLYN MIDDLE SCHOOL!

- We are incredibly excited to welcome our new and returning students this fall!
- We understand the crucial role that parents and family play in the lives of students, and we thank you for entrusting us with your children!
- We understand how much this experience means to everyone, and we are actively planning for your student's arrival to our schools.
- We are committed to follow our "whatever it takes" motto while ensuring a healthy, safe and all-in person school year.
- Throughout this year there will be times we will need to "dial up" protocols and times we will "dial down."

DISTRICT MAIN GOALS 2021-22

ALL IN-PERSON

- To maximize in-person teaching and learning.
- To be proactive in identifying and addressing students' social, emotional and mental wellbeing needs.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

To follow the Center for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines and guidance from the American Academy
of Pediatrics. Data and/or guidance from local or state health entities will dictate when protocols and/or
procedures are adjusted.

2021-2022 SCHOOLYEAR

- Schools will open fully for all students starting Wednesday, September 1, 2021.
- All schools will return to normal bell schedules.
- All transportation will return to normal schedules.
- All schools have removed the clear barriers/shields from student desks.
- The District will be reinstating instructional practices (hands-on science labs, instrumental music, etc.) to make the learning experience as beneficial as possible.
- Increased cleaning and disinfection measures implemented last year will continue into the 2021-2022 school year.

TEACHING, LEARNING AND ASSESSING

- Identifying and addressing learning gaps will be a priority.
- We will utilize a variety of assessments to determine areas of challenge and develop support plans tailored to students' specific needs.
- Diagnostic Assessment will provide teachers with the data needed to drive instructional practices and content.
- Formative assessments will allow for content to be adjusted and differentiated accordingly.

SOCIAL, EMOTIONAL AND WELLNESS

We recognize that the social and emotional wellbeing of our students and staff during these challenging times is critically important. The district has made available resources to address mental health, behavioral, and emotional needs of students, faculty, and staff when school opens for in-person instruction.

- Social workers, counselors, psychologists, administrators
- Before school orientations and virtual presentations
- Transition activities the first two weeks of school
- Fostering connections

HEALTH AND SAFETY

- HEALTHY CLASSROOMS: Following safe practices in classrooms
- HEALTHY BUILDINGS: Breathing clean air in the school building
- HEALTHY PROTOCOLS: Building a culture of health, safety, and shared responsibility
- HEALTHY SCHEDULES: Moving between rooms and locations safely
- HEALTHY ACTIVITIES: Enjoying in-person activities

Note: Although it is unlikely that any given school will be able to incorporate every recommendation with precision all the time, we want to emphasize that these strategies work together as part of a multi-layered plan to reduce exposure and limit transmission of COVID-19 in our schools.

HEALTHY ENVIRONMENTS

- MASKS: For the return to school, indoor mask use will be universally required for all students, teachers, and staff. This practice will reduce the number of quarantine cases that result in an interruption of learning time. We will evaluate this practice as conditions and recommendations change. Masks will NOT be required outside.
- PHYSICAL DISTANCING: CDC guidance presently recommends at least 3 feet of physical distance between students in classrooms. Whenever possible, classes and lunch periods will be held outside. When moving through the buildings, everyone will be expected to adhere to the line signage on the floor.

TRANSPORTATION

Bus windows will be open at all times for proper ventilation. Masks must be worn on buses at all times. Utilizing our buses is strongly encouraged.

HEALTHY ENVIRONMENTS

- **CLEANING AND DISINFECTION:** Our cleaning protocols are very efficient at removing potential germs on surfaces. Any space where someone has tested positive for COVID-19 will be cleaned AND disinfected.
- HANDWASHING AND RESPIRATORY ETIQUETTE: Everyone should continue to practice handwashing and cover coughs and sneezes. Purell machines are available throughout the school buildings.
- **VISITORS**: The district will limit nonessential visitors, volunteers, and activities involving external groups or organizations at this time.
- **SCHOOL MEALS**: All cafeteria spaces will be operational with appropriate mitigation protocols that support the health and safety of our students.
- **TESTING**: For your convenience Advanced Cardiological Diagnostics will continue to provide antigen and antibody testing on weekends on the grounds of Roslyn High School. Appointments can be booked via the link on the **district website**.

HEALTHY ENVIRONMENTS

Ventilation:

- Merv 13 filters are installed in every building.
- Windows will remain open/cracked for additional circulation.
- Air conditioning has been installed in all educational spaces.
- Air purifiers are placed in areas of the buildings to improve the air quality.

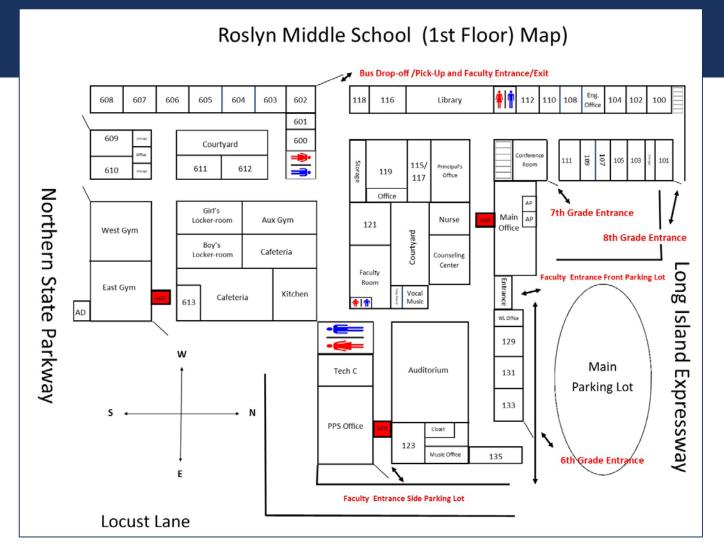
IMPORTANT TO NOTE

- If transmission levels rise, our schools will be prepared for all contingencies such as increasing physical distancing to minimize transmission, requiring COVID-19 surveillance testing and/or preparing to pivot to remote instruction as necessary.
- If transmission levels decline, our schools will be prepared to remove mask requirements and other COVID-19 procedures and protocols.

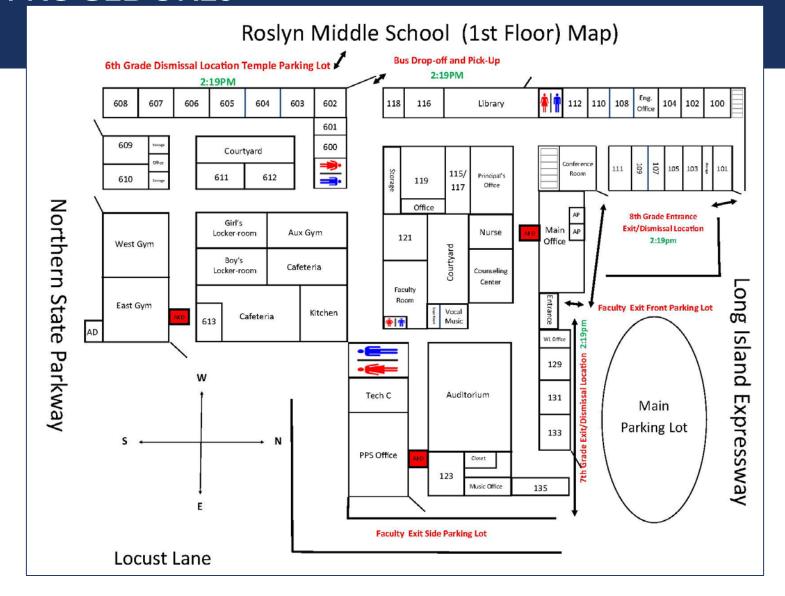
TRANSPORTATION

- Transportation will return to normal schedules.
- Increased cleaning and disinfection measures implemented last year will continue into the 2021-2022.
- Face coverings will be required.
- Windows will be open.
- A partition will separate the driver from students.
- Siblings will sit together.
- Buses will be loaded back to front and will dismiss front to back.
- All buses will be fully sanitized.
- Buses that do multiple routes will be cleaned in between runs.

ARRIVAL PROCEDURES



DISMISSAL PROCEDURES



LUNCH/FREE PERIODS

Lunch

- Lunch will be served each day.
- MS cafeteria and classrooms (rotation basis)
- Outdoor Recess (Mask Break)

Procedures

Students must wear a mask at all times, until they are at their seat to eat.

BELL SCHEDULE/PASSING TIME

ROSLYN MIDDLE SCHOOL

BELL SCHEDULE

Warning Bell	7:30
Pd / 1 ANNOUNCEMENTS	7:35 – 8:19
Pd / 2	8:23 – 9:04
Pd / 3	9:08 – 9:49
Pd / 4	9:53 - 10:34
Pd / 5 - Lunch Grade 6	10:38 – 11:19
Pd / 6 - Lunch Grade 8	11:23 – 12:04
Pd / 7 - Lunch Grade 7	12:08 – 12:49
Pd / 8	12:53 – 1:34
Pd / 9	1:38 – 2:19
Extra Help	2:19 – 2:54 Monday/Wednesday/Thursday

TEACHING & LEARNING

- All instruction will be in-person. No Select and/or Hybrid Remote Learning Model options are available at this time unless directed to do so by State Education Department (SED).
- As of now, if a student is absent for a mandatory quarantine reason for an extended period of time, the school will arrange instructional support with the student and family.

GRADING STRUCTURE

- All grades will be recorded in numeric format.
- Quarterly and final averages will be numeric and weighted as described in the student handbook.
- All IEP and 504 accommodations will be followed.
- Individual grading policies will be determined by the teacher, course of department level and outlined in a course syllabus.

IN-PERSON CLUBS/EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

- Extra Help
- Clubs
- Extra Curricular Activities
- Sports
- Hallway Lockers
- Gym lockers for interscholastic sports only at this time
 - Protocols will be in place to allow for physical distancing

COVID-19 PROTOCOLS/PROCEDURES

- CONTACT TRACING: School officials will notify teachers, staff, and families of students if they are close
 contacts as soon as possible after they are notified that someone in the school building has tested positive.
 Proper mask wearing will result in significantly reducing any likelihood of a mandated quarantine. Fully vaccinated individuals are not subject to quarantine.
- **QUARANTINE:** In conjunction with the Nassau County Department of Health (NCDOH) a quarantine and release date will be issued for applicable positive and close contact cases.
- COVID-19 Safety Coordinators
 - Keith Macias, District
 - Craig S. Johanson, Building Principal

COVID-19 SYMPTOMS/TESTING

- If a member of the household is awaiting COVID-19 test results and was tested for surveillance purposes such as: travel, work, family gatherings, etc. the student/staff member will be able to attend school.
- If a member of the household is awaiting COVID-19 test results and was tested due to symptoms or deemed a potential close contact the unvaccinated student/staff member should stay home until results are negative.
- If someone develops COVID-19 symptoms in school they will be sent to the isolation room for evaluation by the nurse, referred to personal healthcare provider and negative test results will be required to reenter for contact tracing purposes.
- Anyone with symptoms outside of school should stay home, monitor symptoms, follow up with your medical provider if symptoms persist and get tested before returning to school.

COVID-19 PROTOCOLS/PROCEDURES

CLOSE CONTACT/QUARANTINE: According to current CDC guidance, individuals who had close contact with a person diagnosed with COVID-19 will be advised to stay home and self-monitor for symptoms and to follow CDC guidance if symptoms develop. If a person does not have symptoms, they will be instructed to follow appropriate CDC guidance. Notification to exposed individuals will occur pursuant to the state's contract tracing protocols as implemented by the Nassau County Department of Health.

- Student Exception: In the K-I2 indoor classroom setting, the close contact definition excludes students who were within 3 to 6 feet of an infected student (laboratory-confirmed or a <u>clinically compatible illness</u>) if both the infected student and the exposed student(s) <u>correctly and consistently</u> wore well-fitting <u>masks</u> the entire time. This exception does not apply to teachers, staff, or other adults in the indoor classroom setting.
- Faculty/Staff Exception: The following people with recent exposure may NOT need to quarantine:
 - People who have been <u>fully vaccinated</u>
 - People who were <u>previously diagnosed with COVID-19</u> within the last three months

STAY HOME WHEN SICK!

- Stay home if you are sick!
- Get tested if you have symptoms!
- This is essential in keeping COVID-19 infections out of our schools and will prevent spread to others.

COMMUNICATION

All notifications of confirmed cases will be sent by building principals and an accounting of confirmed cases will be tracked on the Roslyn School District COVID-19 Dashboard, which will be posted on our district website and updated daily.

READINESS REMOTE DAY

- Election Day, Tuesday, November 2nd
 - Allowing all students K-12 to attend schools remotely as a practice run.
- Parent and student support will be available
 - Communication regarding this support will be emailed closer to Election Day.

REMAINING REMOTE FOR SEPTEMBER

As conditions and guidance change we will adapt accordingly.

- Open House
- PFA Meetings
- Parent Workshops

GETTING READY

Please continue to:

- Encourage proper mask and hand-hygiene so it becomes habit before school begins.
- Keep an eye on your inbox as communications will continue to be forthcoming.
- Review the district opening plan emailed and posted on the website.
- Keep empathizing to your children that we are in this together and we will take care of them.

"Whatever It Takes"

WHAT TO EXPECT WEEK ONE

- Excitement and enthusiasm when students walk into the building.
- Flexibility and adaptability.
- Reassurance from teachers, staff and administrators.

QUESTIONS?

