

School Preparedness Plan to Meet County Guidance for COVID-19

Visitor Information

(POST ON WEBSITE AND AT ALL SCHOOL ENTRANCES)

VISITORS/VOLUNTEERS

The school allows only necessary visitors and volunteers on the campus and will limit the number of students and staff who come into contact with them.

FACE COVERINGS - We will support students and staff wearing masks by:

Staff, parents and students have all been given training and frequent reminders on the importance of wearing a mask while on campus. We have held video presentations, and sent documentation through newsletters, and email. We require: All staff: wear face coverings are required at all times while on campus, except while eating or drinking. All students in the K - 5th program are also required to wear face coverings. Exceptions: Face coverings are to be worn at all times as practicable, except when staff and students are eating or drinking, or students are outside with only members of their stable cohort. Face coverings should also not be worn by anyone who has trouble breathing or is unable to remove the face covering without assistance.

PHYSICAL DISTANCING - We will support physical distancing by:

The importance of physical distancing has been communicated to all staff, students and their families through staff training, principal meetings, and emails to families and classroom instruction. We will continue to send reminders and train staff on protocols for physical distancing for both indoor and outdoor spaces. Our principal under the supervision of our Regional Director has completed a safety walk-through of our campus prior to reopening and the principal continues weekly walk-through inspections to assure social distancing is continuing. Families who return to campus instruction have to sign an agreement to abide by all of the COVID Safety Protocols.

CLEANING & MAINTENANCE

We will support cleaning and maintenance of our campus by:

Teachers will clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces and objects (examples: desks, doorknobs, light switches etc.) between use such as during recess and lunch breaks. A full disinfection protocol will take place once all the students have gone home at the end of the day. If surfaces are dirty, they will be cleaned using a detergent or soap and water prior to disinfection. The school will use, and will provide for use, soap and water and, cleaning and disinfectant products approved for use against COVID-19, on the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) "List N: Disinfectants for Use Against SARS-CoV-2" ("List N") labeled to be effective against emerging viral pathogens. All equipment such as used on the playground or shared in the classroom will be cleaned between use.

HYGIENE - We will support routine and frequent handwashing by:

Our school will continue teaching and reinforcing proper handwashing techniques, posting signage in high visibility areas on handwashing instructions and other hygiene practices, such as avoiding contact with one's eyes, nose, and mouth, covering coughs and sneezes, and other prevention measures. Our school will provide adequate supplies such as soap, tissues, no-touch trash cans, hand sanitizers (with at least 60% ethyl alcohol) and extra face coverings in case any students or staff need one. Supplies, equipment, and utensils will not be shared among staff and students to the extent feasible. When items must be shared, the schools will clean and disinfect these items between uses. Our school will minimize staff and students' contact with high-touch surfaces, by propping open doors during arrival and departure times, and scheduling breaks to use the restrooms. Students will be supervised to assure proper handwashing etc.

ROUTINE TESTING - We will encourage and support staff testing by:

We offer options for testing to 50% of our school staff every month on a rotating basis. The employees who have health care coverage through the company have access to free COVID testing through UnitedHealth, Kaiser, and all employees have access through local community testing sites. Any information on known contacts will be provided to Santa Clara County Health in the event of a verified case of Covid-19 as required by the Americans with Disabilities Act. Our principal is the point person for communication and contact tracing.

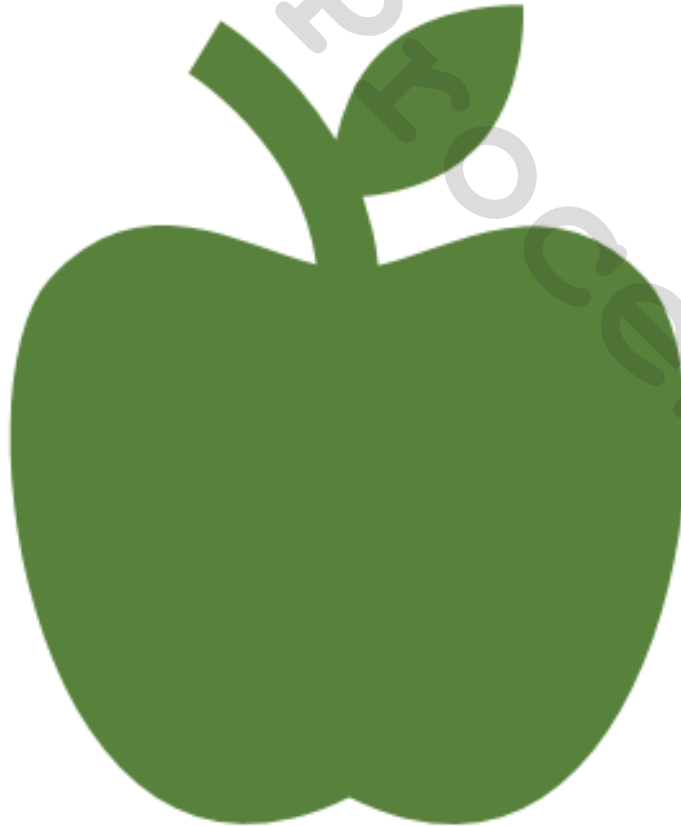
- **Families are required to report known cases of COVID-19 in their household to the school immediately. The school will report all known COVID-19 cases to Santa Clara Public Health.**

https://www.merryhillsschool.com/wp-content/uploads/sites/3/2020/07/Reopen-Reunite_Merryhill-School_FINAL.pdf

- **For more details, see our complete school opening plan here:**

COVID-19 Prepared School

Initial Plan Date: 10/21/2020 Revised Preparedness Plan Date: 12/09/2020



This school, Merryhill School - San Jose, has completed a **School COVID-19 Preparedness Plan** to prevent the spread of **COVID-19**.

For more information or to learn how to file a complaint, see this school's School COVID-19 Preparedness Plan Visitor Information Sheet (required to be posted with this sign). To see this school's complete School COVID-19 Preparedness

Plan, go to: https://www.merryhill1school.com/wp-content/uploads/sites/3/2020/07/Reopen-Reunite_Merryhill-School_FINAL.pdf

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