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Aug. 13, 2021

To Staff and the Twin Rivers School Community,

On behalf of the Twin Rivers Unified Board of Trustees, I am pleased to welcome new and returning students to the 2021-2022 school year. Students return for full day in-person teaching and learning on Tuesday, Aug. 17.

Before we return, I want to share some important information regarding our steps to address health and safety in our schools, and news from Governor Newsom's recently announced mandates for all public schools.

News from the Governor – On Wednesday of this week, the Governor announced a statewide mandate for all who work on public school campuses to be fully vaccinated, and show proof of their vaccination, or submit to weekly COVID testing. We are now reviewing the details of the mandate, and will share this information with our labor leaders and all employees.

It is important to note that these requirements apply to all who work on our campuses, including volunteers, walk-on coaches and adjunct staff.

I am proud that TR was one of the first districts to offer free testing to all employees and we collaborated with local health groups to provide free COVID vaccinations. This important work continues. Please click [here](#) for more information.

Student, Staff and Family Safety — We continue to follow all mandates and recommended practices to the greatest extent possible. The following links contain the current guidance from various agencies:

- Cal/OSHA's [Frequently Asked Questions \(FAQ\)](#)
- Governor Newsom's State Public Health [Executive Order](#)
- Department of Public Health, Sacramento County [Health Order](#)

Please review the new [TR Back to School Guide](#) for important information, including daily routines on campus and health and safety guidelines.

Here are some of the many measures we are taking to keep everyone safe while still maintaining a strong focus on the learning and achievement of our students. Please note that the guidance may change and necessitate modification to the below procedures.

Health & Safety/Classroom Environment	
Student Daily Screener	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parents are asked to complete a daily COVID-19 screening of student
Social Distancing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In alignment with current guidance—social distancing, while encouraged if practical, is not required.
Masking	<p>Per current guidance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Indoors: Required Outdoors: Not Required
Student Day	<p>The following procedure will be followed for a student's day:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Classroom: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Masks required unless an exemption exists No social distancing per guidance Assigned seating for accurate contact tracing Recess: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Will be held Masks not required per current guidance Scheduling constraints do not allow staggering of recess times Lunch: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Seating by classroom will be encouraged Outdoor seating structures have been added to allow for more space Masks not required while eating Transportation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Per guidance, social distancing not required Mask required
Visitors on Campus/Volunteers	<p>To minimize individuals on campus in order to support keeping schools open, the following process for visitors will be implemented:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Day 1: Families must wear a mask and are able to walk student(s) to the door of the classroom. They will not be allowed inside and should leave campus as quickly as possible. Subsequent to the First Day: Visitors will be required to show verification of vaccine or a negative test within 72 hours. Regional testing sites will be set up to support this, along with continued offering of vaccination clinics.
Athletics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spectators are currently allowed at events; masking required indoors
Field Trips	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Will be held virtually until circumstances allow
Rallies/Activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Indoor: virtual until circumstances allow Outdoors: permitted
After School Programs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue with the same requirements as a school day
Operations	
Daily Cleaning	Same process as 2020-2021: Daily hand sanitizer in all classrooms and work locations
Enrollment and Registration	
AERIES Parent Portal	Parent and Family Academic Resource

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Whether you return to in-person instruction or enroll in the Keema School for Independent Study (online classes), we are here to support you and your children. If you have any questions or need more information, please contact your school site.

We look forward to seeing you on Tuesday, Aug. 17, 2021.

All the best,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Steve Martinez".

Steve Martinez, Ed.D.
Superintendent, Twin Rivers Unified