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Safe Return to School Guideline  
2021 – 2022

Please keep in mind that these guidelines are as fluid as all responses to Covid-19 continue to be. We will adjust as needed. Compromise and cooperation are key to successfully completing this school year. Our first priority is keeping your children and our teachers and staff safe and healthy.

The following guidelines will be used this school year.

- SMCS is recommending all parents make a health check of their children at home before coming to school. If a child is running a fever, they are not to return to school until the fever has passed without taking fever reducing medication.
- SMCS is encouraging all students to wear a mask at school in the hallways and as they travel about the campus. However, SMCS staff, parents, and students will not be required to wear masks at school.
- If a student is coughing, but not running a fever, it is a good idea for that child to wear a mask a few days to prevent possibly spreading the virus or common cold symptoms.
- SMCS is requiring that all students bring a mask (in a sealed zip-lock type bag) to school to be kept in the classroom in case a student gets sick in order to help prevent the spread of symptoms. Please put your child's name on his or her bag. "Gaitors" are not recommended and will be phased out after September 1<sup>st</sup>.
- If a student or SMCS staff member tests positive for Covid-19, they must stay home for 10 days. (Doctor's recommendation will be considered.) The principal and the person testing positive will agree on a time to return to school.
- If a student or SMCS staff member is in close contact with a person who tested positive, they may return to school but must wear a mask for 10 days. (Doctor's recommendation will be considered.)
- Students need to bring their own water bottles from home, marked with their names.
- These guidelines will be adjusted by SMCS as needed and will be shared with staff and parents.