



Sun West School Division's Safe Schools Plan

(Updated October 5, 2021)

The Safe Schools Plan that follows may change based on the level of risk in our communities if new information suggests the need for different measures.

Quick Reference Guideline	
Safe Attendance	<p>We <u>require</u> all Prekindergarten to Grade 12 students to wear masks <u>indoors</u>.</p> <p>We <u>require</u> all staff to wear masks <u>indoors</u>.</p> <p>We will have students, staff and families monitor their health using the online tool found at the following link: Online COVID-19 Self-Assessment Tool.</p> <p>We will use a designated space for students who are ill during the school day.</p> <p>We <u>require</u> masks to be worn in the Division's Learning Center during professional development sessions or meetings.</p>
Safe Transportation	<p>We <u>require</u> all students and staff wear masks while on buses.</p> <p>We will clean and disinfect all buses on a daily basis.</p> <p>We will take attendance on all buses.</p>
Safe Access	<p>We will plan the school entrance and exit procedures for students to prevent and monitor the congestion in common areas.</p> <p>We <u>require</u> all visitors wear masks while in schools during the school day.</p> <p>We <u>require</u> all visitors to sign in when entering and leaving schools.</p>
Safe Facilities	<p>We will enhance the cleaning and disinfecting in our facilities.</p> <p>We will have operational hand-washing facilities.</p> <p>We will allow community groups to access the school with increased regulations to ensure the facility is properly clean and disinfected.</p> <p>We will manage our facilities air quality at maximum capacity and frequency.</p>
Safe Classrooms	<p>We <u>require</u> all Prekindergarten to Grade 12 students and staff to wear masks <u>indoors</u>.</p> <p>We will provide mask breaks when teachers can maintain physical distancing by students.</p> <p>We will plan for and consider the following in all our schools:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • appropriate hand hygiene to continue and be promoted; • cohorts and physical distancing for students and staff; and • effective and efficient remote (potentially online) learning plans.
Safe Supports	<p>We will consider safety as we provide a full range of student service supports.</p> <p>We <u>require</u> all itinerant staff to wear masks in schools.</p>
Safe Alternatives	<p>We will be prepared to move to each of the other learning alternative levels as required based on the threat or risk of the virus in our schools.</p> <p>We are using the *Level 2 alternative.</p> <p>We will provide support for online learners through the Sun West School Division's Distance Learning Center (DLC).</p> <p>We will facilitate home-based learners through the DLC.</p>

Safe Activities	<p>We will safely resume the following activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sports and Fitness; • Dance, Drama, Band and Choir; • Inter-school curricular programming; • Extra-Curricular Activities and Field Trips; and • Nutrition Programs <p>We <u>require</u> all Prekindergarten to Grade 6 students to wear masks when they are participating in indoor extra-curricular activities.</p> <p>We <u>require</u> all Grade all students participating in extra-curricular activities to wear masks indoors when they are not participating directly in competition.</p> <p>We <u>require</u> all students that are identified as close contacts to provide proof of full vaccination before continuing to participate in extra-curricular activities.</p> <p>We <u>require</u> all students, staff and volunteers to wear a mask when travelling to and from field trips and extra-curricular events in private vehicles.</p> <p>We <u>require</u> all students and staff to wear masks when they are learning indoors in a location other than their base school (Band or PAA).</p> <p>We require all spectators at extra-curricular activities to wear a mask indoors.</p> <p>We will maintain safe and clean areas where children are preparing and eating food. (seated, hand hygiene, sanitation of food surfaces, etc.)</p>
Other Items	<p>The guidelines in this plan may change based on the level of risk in our communities or if new information suggests the need for different measures.</p> <p>The Saskatchewan Health Authority will set up vaccination clinics this fall in schools or communities with low vaccination rates.</p> <p>The Saskatchewan Health Authority will begin to offer vaccines this fall based on the year and not actual birth date. Some 11-year old students will be offered the vaccine before the end of the year.</p> <p>The collaboration between the Saskatchewan Health Authority and schools will continue and will reflect the needs of the schools as required.</p> <p>Contact tracing will continue to occur by public health, and unvaccinated close contacts may be directed to self-isolate.</p> <p>We value our partnerships with our Local Medical Health Officials and the Saskatchewan Health Authority as we revise our Safe Schools Plan.</p> <p>We will use multiple forms of communication including posting an up to date Safe Schools Plan on our website.</p>

This Safe School Plan was developed with considerations from the [Government of Saskatchewan 2021-22 Safe Schools Plan Updated August 20, 2021](#), [Government of Saskatchewan Living with COVID-19](#), and also in consultation with Local Medical Health Officers, and a review of effective practices from the 2020-21 school year plan. Plans may change to incorporate additional measures depending on COVID activity in our communities and will be considered in consultation with the local medical health officers.

Four alternatives: The following four alternatives are described as levels of method of delivery of education may be activated by school divisions on the advice of the Local Medical Health Officer (LMHO). Each next level has a higher degree of intervention.

Level 1:	Return to school with additional health measures and precautions.
Level 2:	Mask usage as detailed within the Safe School Plan in consultation with the Local Medical Health Officer
Level 3:	Reduced school capacity with established cohorts and hybrid learning models.
Level 4:	Short term mandatory remote learning. Sun West has prepared the process for the transition as well as the pedagogical path to be implemented.

If these levels are put in place Sun West School Divisions would continue to work closely and plan with the LMHO and the team.