

Shannon High School 2020-2021 School Year Reopening Plan

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Vision Statement

Shannon High School will work with parents and the community to prepare all students for college and careers in the 21st Century.



Mission Statement

The mission of Shannon High School is to develop a culture of high expectations and positive student-teacher relationships in an environment conducive to learning, where students are actively working and thinking.



At Shannon High School, Students Can Expect...

- A safe and supportive learning environment.
- Faculty and staff members who value them.
- Standards-based instruction designed to promote a high level of learning.
- Preparation for life after high school.



Guiding Principles

- Maintain a safe and healthy learning environment for staff and students in hopes of keeping school open all year.
- Attempt to adhere to social distancing guidelines and recommendations on a campus with two schools and almost 1,000 people.
- Provide parents with options of either On-Campus or Distance Learning.
- Allow adequate time for teachers to plan and implement models of learning for both On-Campus and Distance Learners.
- Reduce class sizes in classrooms and traffic in hallways to better adhere to social distancing guidelines.
- Allow more time for sanitation of high-traffic and high-touch areas.
- Provide a structured learning environment with proper instruction so as to prepare our students for the real world.



New Additions to Our Red Raider Family

- Jason Adams
 - English II
- Olivia Blansett
 - English I
- Mark Fields
 - World History
 - Head Boys Soccer
 - SMS Head Football
- Dr. Wendy McCullough
 - Algebra I
- Michael Pippin
 - Biology, Physical Science
- Zane Sawyer
 - US History
 - Head Girls Soccer
- McCoy Scott
 - English I Inclusion
- Courtney Tutor
 - English III
- Kevin White
 - Career Pathways



Registration

- All students will have to provide proof of residency upon registration for school. Three (3) proofs of residency are required, including a copy of the parent/guardian's driver license, mortgage or lease agreement, and current utility bill. Further details can be found on the Lee County Schools Residency Registration Checklist on the LCSD website.
- Registration will begin Wednesday, July 22nd and will continue through Friday, July 31st during office hours. Office hours are Monday – Thursday from 8:00 am – 2:00 pm, and Friday from 8:00 – 11:00 am. Office hours will be extended to 6:00 pm on Tuesday, July 28th and Thursday, July 30th for those who are unable to come to school during office hours. Registration and enrollment forms can also be filled out online at Shannon High School's web page at www.leecountyschools.us/schools/shannon-high-school.
- When students register, they will have to determine whether they are an On-Campus Student or a Distance Learning Student. Parents will be required to sign the Distance Learning Agreement and agree to the terms in the agreement each nine-weeks. The decision deadline for Distance Learning is Friday, July 31st. Any student who has not completed a Distance Learning Agreement will be considered an On-Campus Student.



2020-2021 School Calendar

- August 3rd – 5th: Professional Development
- August 6th: First Day for Students
- September 7th: Labor Day Holiday
- October 12th: Columbus Day Holiday
- October 13th: Professional Development (No School for Students)
- November 23rd – 27th: Thanksgiving Holidays
- December 17th – 18th: Fall Exams
- December 18th: 60% Day
- December 21st, 2020 – January 1st, 2021: Christmas Holidays
- January 4th: Professional Development (No School for Students)
- January 5th: Spring Semester Begins
- January 18th: Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday
- February 15th: President's Day Holiday
- March 8th – 12th: Spring Break
- April 2nd: Good Friday Holiday
- April 5th: Easter Monday
- May 20th – 21st: Spring Exams
- May 22nd: Graduation
- May 24th: Spring Exams—60% Day—Last Day for Students
- May 25th – 26th: Professional Development Days—Last Day for Teachers
- May 31st: Memorial Day Holiday



2020-2021 Daily Schedule

- 7:30—Teachers Arrive
- 7:45 – 8:15—Breakfast/Homeroom
 - Students will report directly to homeroom upon arrival.
 - If they are eating breakfast, they will take it to homeroom.
- 8:15—First Bell Rings; Students report to 1st period
 - Girls dismissed from homeroom at 8:15, Boys dismissed at 8:20.
- 8:25 – 9:30—First Block
- 9:30 – 9:40—Transition
 - Girls dismissed first, Boys dismissed at 9:35 to limit hallway traffic (every transition).
- 9:40 – 10:45—Second Block
- 10:55 – 12:00—Third Block
- 12:10 – 1:55—Fourth Block
 - 12:20 – 12:45—First Lunch
 - 12:55 – 1:20—Second Lunch
 - 1:30 – 1:55—Third Lunch
- 1:55—Student Dismissal
- 2:00-2:45—Teacher Planning
- 2:45-3:30—Distance Learning
- 3:30—Teacher Dismissal
- All visitors and distance learners will only be allowed on campus with an appointment starting at 2:00 pm.
- Anyone checking a student out must do so at the Visitors' Office, located in the two-story building toward the south end of campus.



Cafeteria Changes

- When students arrive on campus each morning, breakfast will be open from 7:45 – 8:15. Breakfast will be “Grab-n-Go,” meaning the students will get their breakfast and report directly to homeroom. Students who arrive from 8:15 – 8:25 will go directly to First Block; breakfast will close at 8:15. Students who arrive after 8:25 will report to the Student Services office in the main building, receive a tardy slip, then report to First Block.
- This year our campus qualifies for the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) of the Federal School Lunch Program. Because of this, all students will eat breakfast and lunch for free this school year. Extra food and drink items will still cost money, and students and teachers will not be allowed to charge. Parents are encouraged to create and utilize a My School Bucks account for each child if a student wishes to purchase items in the cafeteria.
- We will have three lunch periods from 12:20 – 1:55 each day, which will be assigned based on the student’s 4th block teacher. Teachers will have the option for their class to eat lunch in the cafeteria, on the football field bleachers, or in the classroom.
- Snacks will be available to purchase during each transition between classes at the Student Services Office in the main building. Drink machines will be available to students in the hallways during the day.
- Per CDC and LCSD guidelines, water fountains will be turned off during the day.
- Students are strongly encouraged to bring water bottles from home to keep with them.



Visitors on Campus

- Visitors (parents and distance learners) will only be allowed on campus from 2:00-3:30 pm with an appointment.
- All visitors will access campus through the Visitors' Office, which is now located in the two-story building toward the south side of campus. All visitors will be subject to a temperature check upon arrival. Any visitor with a temperature of 100.4 or higher will not be allowed in the building.
- Visitors will be asked to wear a mask before entering the building.



Face Masks

- Face Masks are encouraged but not required at all times. SHS will continue to monitor and follow guidelines and recommendations set forth by the district, the CDC, and MSDH.
- Face masks will be required during class changes and while riding buses.
- Staff and students will be strongly encouraged to wear face masks when social-distancing is not possible (small group instruction, etc.).
- Students are welcome to wear face masks or face shields from home, but any designs, logos, or phrasing that appears on those face masks would have to be appropriate for school.
- Disposable face masks will be available as needed.



Cleaning and Sanitizing Protocols

- High-traffic or high-touch areas on campus will be cleaned during each class period once students are in class.
- Sanitation products being used have been deemed as appropriate products for combatting the COVID-19 virus.
- Teachers will have cleaning supplies in their classrooms at their disposal to use for each class change.
- Online materials will be used when at all possible in the classroom.
- Teachers will limit the sharing of classroom materials as much as possible, but will also have sanitation and disinfecting supplies available to sanitize those materials as often as necessary.
- Buses will be sanitized daily.



Buses and Dismissal

- Buses will arrive to campus between 7:45 and 8:05 each day. Students will be distanced as much as possible. Students will be required to wear masks while on the bus, and siblings will be required to sit together to assist with distancing guidelines.
- Shannon High School will dismiss all car riders and bus riders at 1:55 each day.
- Students involved in extracurricular activities or athletics will follow the schedule approved by their sponsors/coaches and the administrators for practice times.
 - Note: Distance learners are not allowed on campus until after 2:00 pm. If a student has a practice period during the school day, he or she will be required to be an on-campus learner in order to participate in that activity.
- Seniors whose schedules are finished early may leave as early as 10:45, depending on their schedule. If their schedule ends after second or third block, they must be a car rider and leave campus immediately after their schedule is complete. If they do not leave campus immediately on multiple days, their schedule will be changed to have four classes and leave school at 1:55.
- Buses will be sanitized at the end of each route daily.



Distance Learners and On-Campus Students

- Students will indicate whether they intended to be a Distance Learner or an On-Campus Student at Registration. This is their “Enrollment Status”. Their Enrollment Status has to remain the same for a Nine Weeks Grading Period, meaning that if a student chooses to be a Distance Learner for 1st Nine Weeks, they cannot attend On-Campus classes, functions, or meetings during the school day for the 1st Nine Weeks.
- Distance Learners will access all assignments and lessons for the classes on their schedule through each teacher’s Google Classroom for the nine weeks grading period.
- If a Distance Learner needs to meet with a teacher, they have the option of meeting with that teacher either using Google Meet or in-person at a scheduled time between 2:00-3:30.



Distance Learners and On-Campus Students (continued)

- Meeting for such things as graduation supplies, class rings, clubs, etc. will be held from 2:00-3:30 for Distance Learners.
- On-Campus Students will attend classes in-person 5 days a week from 8:15-1:55 with modifications to follow CDC guidelines and MSDH recommendations.
- Students involved in extracurricular activities/athletics will follow the schedule approved by their sponsors/coaches and the administrators for practice times. If a student has a practice period during the school day, he or she will be required to be an on-campus learner to participate in that activity.
- If a student wishes to change their “Enrollment Status”, they cannot do so until the end of the current grading period.



Health and Safety Protocols for Staff and Students

- Thermometers have been purchased and donated to SHS. Thanks to Sonshine Pharmacy for the donation.
- Thermometers will be placed at the Visitors' Office with Mrs. Mallory, and at the Student Services Office with Nurse Tedford and Mrs. Armstrong.
- SHS will be conducting periodic temperature checks of staff and students.
- We ask parents to check their child's temperature prior to sending students to school. If a student has a temperature of 100.4 or higher, they must be kept at home until they are fever free for 72 hours without fever reducing medications.
- Prior to arriving at work each day, we are asking all staff members to take their temperature. If a staff member has a temperature of 100.4 or higher, they must stay home until they are fever free for 72 hours without fever reducing medications.
- A student or employee who tests positive for COVID-19 shall be quarantined at home for 14 days.
- There will be no large gatherings or events held where social-distancing cannot be practiced.
- SHS will provide an isolation area for sick students awaiting parent pick-up.



Frequently Asked Questions

- *Will attendance be taken?*
 - SHS will take attendance for all students participating in traditional and distance learning.
- *Is distance learning an option for students?*
 - Parents will have the options of enrolling their student in distance learning/home-based instruction (Distance Learner) or traditional instruction (On-Campus Learner). Parents who chose distance learning must enroll their child for a Nine Week Grading Period. The decision deadline for Distance Learning is Friday, July 31st.
- *What about grading?*
 - Assignments will be graded for On-Campus and Distance Learning students using the traditional grading scale established in policy IHE.



Frequently Asked Questions (continued)

- *What if school closes due to COVID-related illness?*
 - If the superintendent is required to close schools, all students will be provided instruction through virtual learning activities and/or printed packets.
- *Will students be required to wear a mask?*
 - Face masks are required during class changes, while riding buses, and while entering and exiting buildings. Students and staff are strongly encouraged to wear face masks in situations where social-distancing cannot be practiced.
- *Will there be large group assemblies?*
 - There will be no large group assemblies where social distancing cannot be practiced. Further details will be released concerning extracurricular activities.



Frequently Asked Questions (continued)

- *Will SHS allow visitors and volunteers?*
 - SHS has established the following protocol for visitors entering the building:
 - Call the school and schedule an appointment between 1:53-3:30 pm.
 - Temperature screening will be performed at the front door for all visitors.
 - Face masks and coverings will be required when entering the building.
 - **NON-ESSENTIAL VISITORS WILL BE LIMITED!**
- *What is the plan for Breakfast and Lunch?*
 - Breakfast will be Grab and Go and students will eat in their Homeroom class. Lunch will be divided into 3 lunch periods based on a student's 4th Block class. Seating will be assigned and social-distancing will be practiced.



Frequently Asked Questions (continued)

- *Will students be able to use the water fountains?*
 - Water bottles will be made available and SHS is looking at installing water-filling stations for students to refill their own personal water bottles. Water fountains will be turned off.
- *Will students with IEPs/504 Plans continue to receive accommodations?*
 - Student services will be managed by the IEP committee or the 504 Plan due to the highly individualized nature of these accommodations. SHS teachers will begin contacting parents and students as needed.
- *What about the first day of school?*
 - The first day of school will be a regular school day. Students will follow their schedule and report to breakfast and/or homeroom beginning at 7:45.



Frequently Asked Questions (continued)

- *Will SHS still have Open House and parent conferences?*
 - SHS will determine how and/or if Open house will be held at a later date and share that information through Remind, Twitter, and on the district/school website. Parent-teacher conferences will be held virtually, by phone, or in-person from 2:00-3:30 during the school week.
- *Will SHS continue to provide bus transportation?*
 - Yes, the use of face coverings is required for anyone using school transportation. Buses will be disinfected after each route. We will require family members to sit with one another to maintain CDC guidelines.



Frequently Asked Questions (continued)

- *Will students be allowed to participate in athletics/activities?*
 - SHS will follow all rules and regulations provided by the MHSAA.
- *What will classrooms look like?*
 - Classrooms will be structured to support social-distancing and routinely sanitized throughout the school day. Each teacher will have their own set of classroom sanitizing and disinfecting supplies.



One Last Thing...

- We know that we are most certainly marching into the unknown where there are as many questions as there are answers. We understand there will be apprehension and concern. We also hope that you understand that we have put a great deal of thought, prayer, and care into making decisions that we felt are in the best interests of everyone concerned - our kids, our teachers, and our parents.
- We have missed being together. We have missed the relationships we share with one another. We are excited about the prospects of being back together once again and rising to meet the challenges we will all be facing.
- We will continue to provide information as best we can, and all that we ask for in return is your patience and understanding. There are no blueprints or guidebooks for this other than doing what we feel is best for everyone concerned.
- As always, thank you for being a part of our Red Raider family!

