



RACINE LUTHERAN HIGH RE-OPENING PLAN

2020-2021 School Year

The Lord is my light and my salvation, who shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life, of whom shall I be afraid? Psalm 27:1

Fear can be a powerful force – the fear of getting sick, of loved ones getting sick; the fear of an uncertain future, of missing out on experiences that should be part of high school. Psalm 27:1 reminds us that we have One who is a light in this dark, fear-filled place. This One gives our worried souls strength. This One loves us beyond what we can understand. This One is Jesus Christ. He heals the sick and raised the dead. He has overcome the evil in this world to calm our fears and give us faith and hope.

God's Peace,
Dave Burgess
Executive Director/Principal

Goal and 4-1 Plan

The RLHS staff spent many days this summer preparing our plan for a safe re-opening. The 4-1 Plan gives our students the opportunity to resume the in-person teacher-student relationships we have come to know and love. It also gives us one day a week to prepare for remote learning, should a mandate require it.

Goal –

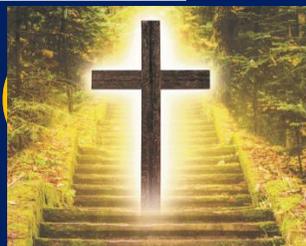
To prepare a plan that provides opportunity to achieve our mission to guide our youth in faith, learning, character and leadership by nurturing their relationship with Jesus Christ and educating them for a life of service to God and man.

Plan –

1. Provide a flexible teaching model that is adaptable to changing conditions.
2. Provide services critical for the success of our students.
3. Provide a safe and healthy environment for everyone.

Please read through this document and feel free to contact me directly with any concerns.

School begins Tuesday, August 18.



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2020-2021 School Year Plan

School Day Hours 7:20 a.m. until 2:28 p.m.

Provide a flexible teaching model that is adaptable to changing conditions.

- School year will begin with in-person learning. The 4-1 Plan alternates Purple and Gold Days at RLHS, followed by one day of periods 1-8, featuring remote instruction at home.
- School doors will open at 7 a.m. All students will be expected to leave immediately after school unless they are engaged in an after-school activity.
- Class size will be reduced to keep safe 6' social distancing.
- Class attendance and participation will be recorded.
- 4-1 Plan schedule will give students and teachers one day to engage in remote learning. This will give students and teachers a hands-on experience with remote learning should conditions force us to shift to a short- or long-term remote learning plan.

Provide a safe and healthy environment for everyone.

We will:

- Employ an additional cleaning person to sanitize the building after each class change.
- Thoroughly clean and sanitize the building each evening.
- Use backpacks and water bottles to minimize the need to visit hallway lockers to decrease exposure.
- Reduce class sizes to provide 6' social distancing.
- Wear face coverings as required.
- Emphasize keeping hands away from the face.
- Emphasize the use of hand sanitizer, with stations located in every classroom and at all entrances.

Provide services critical for the success of our students.

- New student information system will improve access and ease for student information (JMC replaces PowerSchool)
- Training will be provided for every student so he/she can successfully participate in online learning.
- All teachers are engaged in Google Classroom Certification training.
- Classroom instruction will be recorded for students who are too ill to be in school.
- The executive director will work with families who have extenuating circumstances.
- Dual-credit and Advanced Placement courses will continue to be offered.
- Academic, college, career and personal counseling will continue.
- The Resource Team will continue to monitor student learning, attendance and behavior.
- Standardized testing opportunities will be offered for each grade level.
- Significant improvements to and acquisitions of technology and devices will further support student learning.

- Emphasize frequent hand washing.
- Broadcast daily devotions and weekly Chapel to all classrooms.
- Eliminate mass gatherings/assemblies of 100 or more people.
- Encourage parents/guardians to keep sick children home.
- Encourage parents/guardians to take their child's temperature each day before school.
- Encourage students to bring water to school to stay hydrated during the day.
- Shut off/wrap water fountains to prevent contact.
- Create an isolation room for sick students' comfort and monitoring while waiting to be picked up.

4-1 Plan Schedule

Purple Day – Blocks 1-4 – at RLHS

Gold Day – Blocks 5-8 – at RLHS

Friday – Periods 1-8 – remote learning

Monday – Tuesday Schedule*

1/5 – 7:20-8:57

2/6/Lunch – 9:01-11:12

3/7 – 11:16-12:49

4/8 – 12:53-2:28

Wednesday – Thursday Schedule*

1/5 – 7:20-8:47

Chapel/Activity Time – 8:51-9:23

2/6/Lunch – 9:27-11:29

3/7 – 11:33-12:57

4/8 – 1:01-2:28

Friday Schedule*

1 – 7:30-8:15

2 – 8:20-9:05

3 – 9:10-9:55

4 – 10:00-10:45

5 – 10:50-11:35

6 – 11:40-12:25

7 – 12:30-1:15

8 – 1:20-2:05

The school building will be open to students at 7 a.m., Monday through Thursday. Face coverings will be worn. After going to their lockers, students immediately will go to their 1st or 5th hour classroom.

Devotions and announcements will begin at 7:20 a.m. Students will eat lunch in their 2nd or 6th hour classrooms.

*For weeks with Monday as a scheduled day off, we will move the schedule back a day and have in-person classes on Friday. Please refer to calendar.

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention *The Importance of Reopening America's Schools this Fall.*

Updated July 23, 2020.

"Aside from a child's home, no other setting has more influence on a child's health and well-being than their school. The in-person school environment does the following:

- provides education instruction;
- supports the development of social and emotional skills;
- creates a safe environment for learning;
- addresses nutritional needs; and
- facilitates physical activity."

Key points include:

"COVID-19 and Children – The best available evidence indicates the COVID-19 poses relatively low risks to school-aged children.

Educational Instruction – Extended school closure is harmful to children. It can lead to severe learning loss, and the need for in-person instruction is particularly important for students with heightened behavioral needs.

Social and Emotional Skill Development – Schools play a critical role in supporting the whole child, not just their academic achievement.

Safety – Extended school closures deprive children who live in unsafe homes and neighborhoods of an important layer of protection from neglect as well as physical, sexual and emotional maltreatment and abuse.

Physical Activity – When schools are closed, children lose access to important opportunities for physical activity.

Schools are an important part of the infrastructure of our communities, and they provide safe, supportive learning environments for students, employ teachers and other staff, and enable parents, guardians, and caregivers to work."

The full document is available online:
<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/reopening-schools.html>



Upcoming dates – New Student Orientation – Aug. 11
 First Day of School – Aug. 18
 Back-to-School Night – Aug. 26

Bus service – Bus details will be mailed directly from the transportation department at RUSD.

Face coverings – Guidelines for face coverings will be consistent with our dress code. Face coverings should be neat, clean, appropriate, not distracting and not include messages or images that are contrary to the teachings of Jesus Christ our Lord as defined by the doctrine of the LC-MS.

Lunch –

We will continue to offer our students a nutritious lunch. The logistics and safety precautions will limit what we are able to offer. As we gain good command of this new process, we hope to expand our offerings.

- Purchased lunches will be delivered to the classrooms.
 - Purchased lunches will start with a limited cold item menu (sandwich, fruit, cookie, beverage, etc.). As we gain a better command of the new process, we hope to re-introduce a hot lunch menu.
 - We will not offer à la carte items (chips, fruit, etc.) to start the year.
 - Students may bring lunches with beverages from home and should supply their own condiments, utensils, napkins, etc.
 - Microwave ovens and hot water will not be available
 - Breakfast will not be offered until further notice.
- Lunch time will be held in classrooms where social distancing can be established.
 - Desks will be sanitized before and after consumption of lunch.
 - Lunch orders will be made during the day's first period.
 - Students may purchase lunch using the funds in their lunch accounts. Cash payments will not be accepted during lunch.



Whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God.

1 Corinthians 10:31

WIAA Board of Control action has delayed the start of some fall sports.

Cross country and girls tennis practices begin Monday, Aug. 17. Boys soccer, football, volleyball practices begin Monday, Sept. 7

Details about the fall sports parents meetings, registration for sports and other plans are shared through the RLHS *Weekly News*.

<https://www.wiaawi.org/>

Thank you for cooperation, flexibility and prayers during this very unusual school year. Please contact Dave Burgess, executive director/principal, with questions or concerns.

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