

SEAPCO

Back to School Plan

2023-2024



DISCLOSURE

The contents of this Back-to-School Plan are subject to change based on Federal, State, or Local guidance and/or conditions. Any changes will be communicated via email, posted to the district website, or via phone message if appropriate.

Introduction

The safety and security of our students and staff has been and will continue to be the top priority of SEAPCO. We understand that students learn best when in person; therefore, we will begin the 2023-24 school year with students attending full days, five days a week. Based on the most recent CDC/IDPH guidance, we have revised the following plan to ensure that our students can achieve to their fullest potential while providing a safe learning environment.

Mitigation Measures

Handwashing and Respiratory Etiquette

We will continue to promote frequent handwashing and/or use of hand sanitizer. We will also continue to reinforce proper respiratory etiquette such as covering coughs and sneezes.

Cleaning and Disinfecting

Classrooms will be sanitized daily using sanitation sprayers. Drinking fountains, water bottle filling stations and door handles will be disinfected daily. Students are encouraged to bring a personal water bottle to be kept at school.

Symptom Screenings and Staying Home When Sick

There will be no screening or self-certification for symptoms at school this year. By sending children to school, parents and guardians are certifying that their children are symptom free. We expect all staff and students to stay home when they are sick. Parents and guardians must keep their child home if he/she exhibits one or more of the following COVID-like symptoms: fever (100.4 degrees or higher), new onset of moderate to severe headache, shortness of breath, new cough, sore throat, vomiting, diarrhea, new loss of taste or smell, fatigue from unknown cause, or muscle or body aches from unknown cause. Any student or staff member exhibiting these symptoms while at school will be sent home.

COVID-19 Positive Staff/Students

SEAPCO will follow the recommendations of the CDC and IDPH regarding COVID positive tests.

Learning and the School Day

Students with Disabilities

Parents of students who need accommodations, modifications, or assistance related to COVID-19 safety protocols, disabilities, underlying medical conditions, or weakened immune systems should contact their student's case manager to discuss his/her need(s).

Students who are medically fragile and unable to attend school for an extended period of time will need to follow the procedures for home/hospital services pursuant to [105 ILCS 5/14-13.0](#). Medically fragile students are at an increased risk of severe illness or live with someone at an increased risk of severe illness. For the 2023-24 school year, students who are medically fragile (or live with someone who is) and have a verified doctor's note may qualify for service under Home/Hospital Tutoring. An IEP will be developed to address each student's individual needs, including 5 hours of tutoring per week if appropriate.

If, due to a disability or significant health reason, a student cannot safely wear a mask while in school, please contact the program director for appropriate documentation requirements.

Starting the School Day

All students will follow the start and end times listed below for each program. SEAPCO Academy students will be dropped off up front and the others at the East Side door.

Program	Start Time	End Time
SEAPCO Academy	8:30 am	3:00 pm
RISE	7:55 am	2:15 pm

Curriculum Based Instruction and Field Trips

Curriculum Based Instruction and Field trips that align with instructional outcomes and/or are an extension of the learning environment will be permitted.

For program specific questions, please contact your SEAPCO Administrator:

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