

**RUMSON-FAIR HAVEN REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL**  
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**Reopening Plan**  
***October 26, 2020 Update***

Dear Parents/Guardians of RFH Students:

**Overview**

Rumson-Fair Haven Regional High School is committed to excellence, not only in education, but also in working together as a community to care for each other. Providing students access to our rigorous and engaging curriculum is essential to our mission. The health and safety of our students and staff is of paramount importance. This update reflects our commitment to protecting our school community's health in order to provide coursework and extracurricular activities to our students. **We will continue with the Hybrid Phase as we begin the second marking period.**

The update is based on input from students, faculty and parents, as well as [publicly available data](#) regarding the number of positive cases in NJ, Monmouth County and our community. Additionally, we are ensuring that our decisions are aligned with the questions that drove our original plan to reopen.

- Will this change encourage social distancing?
- Will this change discourage student cohort mixing like those that occur for lunch periods, recess or assemblies?
- Will this change encourage and improve hygiene practices?
- How will this impact the mental health and wellness of students, staff and the school community?

**All families have the option to select a fully virtual option for the second marking period.** Use this [link](#) to select a fully virtual option for the second marking period. Selection is due by Friday, October 30, 2020.

During the first marking period, we implemented a very flexible attendance policy, allowing students to participate virtually when they were not feeling well, or when they needed to quarantine. **Families are reminded that students are expected to participate onsite when their cohort is scheduled to be onsite.** In addition to the essential interactions that students have with their peers and their teachers, we have balanced classes so that the number of students in each cohort is approximately the same. The teachers can individualize instruction and answer questions when there is a balance between the number of students online and the number of students in class.

Families are reminded that **travel to a state on [NJ's quarantine list](#) requires that the student quarantines for 14 days upon return.** The quarantine applies to onsite instruction and all activities and athletics. Additionally, students must have a device and an appropriate internet connection in order to attend class virtually if they must travel.

**Daily Instructional Schedule: Hybrid Phase Extended through Marking Period 2**

In order to maintain the health and safety protocols that have allowed us to bring students onsite for the first marking period, RFH will continue to operate at 50% capacity. Additionally, we will limit the use of the auditorium, cafeteria and locker rooms. Our weekly schedule includes one full virtual day each week. The purpose of the virtual day is to maintain virtual participation in the event that RFH needs to employ a fully virtual plan in response to an outbreak of the virus, as we did during the first marking period.

Beginning on Monday, November 9, 2020 the schedule will be as follows:

**Hybrid Schedule:**

<b>Monday</b> 7:45-12:25 no lunch	<b>Tuesday</b> 7:45-12:25 no lunch	<b>Wednesday</b> 7:45-12:25 no lunch	<b>Thursday</b> 7:45-12:25 no lunch	<b>Friday</b> 7:45-12:25 no lunch
Cohort A attends school Cohort B participates virtually	Cohort B attends school Cohort A participates virtually	Virtual for all students  Four classes meet for one hour each	Cohort A attends school Cohort B participates virtually	Cohort B attends school Cohort A participates virtually

The daily bell schedule for A/B days is as follows:

<b><u>A / B In-person schedule</u></b>	
<b>PERIOD</b>	<b>TIME</b>
1/HR	7:45 - 8:20
2	8:25 - 8:55
3	9:00 - 9:30
4	9:35 - 10:05
5	10:10 - 10:40
6	10:45 - 11:15
7	11:20 - 11:50
8	11:55 - 12:25

On Wednesday, all students will participate virtually according to this **REVISED** schedule and [calendar](#).

The schedule for virtual Wednesdays has been changed to reflect the feedback of our students and faculty.

<b><u>Virtual Day 1</u></b>	<b><u>Virtual Day 2</u></b>	<b>TIME</b>
<b>PERIOD</b>	<b>PERIOD</b>	
1	3	7:45 - 8:45
2	4	8:55 - 9:55
Break	Break	
5	7	10:15 - 11:15
6	8	11:25 - 12:25

### **Additional Information**

- Second Marking Period End of Marking Period Assessments (EMPAs) are canceled.
- The winter season of athletics begins on December 3, 2020. Details will follow when guidelines have been finalized.
- The Second Marking Period Calendar is linked [here](#).
- Certain clubs and activities may meet onsite.
- Students must continue to complete their Daily Health Screening Form and bring their ID to school.
- Visitors to the school must have an appointment.
- Students may borrow a device.
- Sophomores will take the PSAT on Tuesday, January 26, 2021. All other students will participate virtually.

We encourage parents and students to continue following the Centers for Disease Control & Prevention promoted safeguards, such as:

- Staying home when you are sick;
- Washing hands often with soap for at least 20 seconds;
- Covering coughs and sneezes and properly disposing of tissues;
- Limiting close contact with people who are sick and not sharing food, drinks and utensils;
- Practicing social distancing (staying at least 6 feet apart);
- Wearing a face covering while in school; and
- Continuing to monitor your health for symptoms.

**The RFH Community is committed to ensuring the continuity of instruction for all students.** The Hybrid Phase has provided our students with access to their courses during every class period, thanks to the dedication of our faculty and staff, and the support of our Board of Education. Students are experiencing upgraded technology and creative lessons thanks to the tireless efforts of our teachers, and our commitment to providing our students with the tools that they need to participate until we can be back together in our building. We will provide access to rigorous curriculum and learning, counseling support for mental health and post-graduate plans, academic support through office hours and learning resource centers, and engaging extracurricular activities and athletic competitions. Ultimately, our goal is to return to full day, in person instruction. In the meantime, every effort is being made to ensure that we balance learning with keeping our school community healthy.

Stay Well,

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