



REGINA CATHOLIC SCHOOLS RETURN TO SCHOOL 2022-2023

Division plans will evolve as required by emerging health risk assessments.



Know, Love, Serve

*Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm.
He said to them, "Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?" ~ Mark 4:39-40*

August 2022

RCSD Return to School Plan

Version History

Version	Date	Change Description
2	Sept. 3/21	Added required masking in high schools, no rapid test pilot sites.
3	Sept. 21/21	Added required masking in all facilities, updated rapid testing section.
4	Feb. 8/22	Removal of public health order for mandatory masks at indoor public places effective March 1, 2022. Proof of vaccination or negative COVID test removed effective February 14, 2022.
5	Feb. 23/22	Removal of public health order for mandatory masks at indoor public places effective February 28, 2022.
6	July 2022	Updated to new School Year and adapted to current situation which is vastly different from the winter of 2022.
7	August 2022	Updated with mask availability.

Introduction:

The Regina Catholic School Division (RCSD) is committed to working closely with the Ministry of Education and the Saskatchewan Health Authority (SHA) to ensure that safety protocols are implemented if needed to reduce the risk of COVID-19 transmission during the 2022-2023 school year.

This guide will be reviewed on an ongoing basis as the division regularly consults with the Local Medical Health Officers for the most current risk assessment.

RCSD will continue to provide students quality educational opportunities that are faith-based, student-centered, and results-oriented. We will work collaboratively with our employee groups honouring provincial and local contracts while providing flexible and fluid protocols, procedures, and delivery models to address COVID-19 concerns. Student and Staff mental health and well-being will again be emphasized as one of three provincial priorities for the 2022-2023 school year.

There are lessons to be learned from the past two and a half years. While many are excited to leave much of that experience behind, we are committed to self-reflection to ensure valuable insights and new ways of addressing our academic and well-being goals. Student and staff safety remains our priority.

Public Health Orders:

As of February 28, 2022, there are no Public Health Orders in effect in Saskatchewan. If this changes, Regina Catholic Schools is committed to adjusting plans for delivery education to cooperate with any new Public Health Orders.

All staff and students who are feeling unwell and/or exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19 should remain home as explained in [RCSD Admin Application 7900](#), [RCSD Admin Application 10200](#), and [RCSD Admin Application 10220](#).

Reporting

Mass illness related to absenteeism rates of 10% or more of the student school population must be reported to Public Health immediately as per Saskatchewan Health Authority Communicable Disease Surveillance Policy.

Human Resources

RCSD will ensure that all protocols and procedures for employees are within the expectations of provincial and local contract agreements.

All staff should direct any inquiries regarding personal wellness to immediate supervisors and/or Human Resource Services to ensure individual needs are met in a timely and appropriate manner.

Employee Assistance Program

RCSD will continue to support all employees with its Employee Assistance Program. Updates appear on the Human Resources website for all staff to access.

- STF Members – Members Family Assistance Plan offered by ComPsych 1-833-485-4245 or 1-800-667-7762.
- Non-STF Members Family Assistance Plan offered by ComPsych call 1-833-515-0766
- Catholic Family Services – 306-525-0521 cfsregina@cfsregina.ca
- Mental Health – 1-306-786-0558
- Canada Crisis Line: 1-800-668-6868
- SaskHealth Hotline: 811

- www.Saskatchewan.ca/Coronavirus
- 211 Saskatchewan <https://sk.211.ca/>

Main Office/Visitors

- Registration applications will occur online. Schools will schedule virtual or face-to-face registration interviews.
- Forms will be collected digitally whenever possible.

Facilities

- Adequate disinfectant and hand sanitizer as well as cleaning products and supplies will be readily available in all facilities.
- Schools have standard HVAC air flow systems that are regularly maintained, and windows are opened when possible.
- Signage will promote the monitoring of health and protocols/procedure for staff, students, or visitors who begin to feel unwell.
- Water fountains will be available for use.
- Use of hand dryers will be available.
- Medical grade masks are available in all our facilities.

Instruction

Schools will provide the full Saskatchewan curriculum with face-to-face instruction. Lessons learned during remote learning will enhance this instruction. High Schools will return to a five-period instructional day with early bird and lunch hour course offerings across two semesters.

RCSD Student Services will initiate the Student Duty to Accommodate process in collaboration with parents and doctors for students requiring accommodations due to health and medical concerns. RCSD Learning Online will support any fulltime remote learning needs of students as part of this process.

Extracurricular Activities and Intramurals

RCSD recognizes that extracurricular activities are a critical part of a school's culture and identity. RCSD will continue to follow the recommendations of the Government of Saskatchewan and the Saskatchewan Health Authority as they pertain to extracurricular activities as well as the Saskatchewan High School Athletic Association (SHSAA) and the Regina High Schools Athletic Association (RHSAA), and the affiliated sport governing bodies.

Fine Arts Programming

RCSD is committed to continue to provide quality fine arts education which adhere to current Government of Saskatchewan and SHA guidelines.