



Reopening Plan 2020-21 School Year

As public health orders, state/local government orders, and public health guidance are revised or issued, this plan will be adjusted. Given the uncertainty involved in this situation and frequent changes in policy, any inconsistency between this plan and government guidance should be resolved by following the most recent government guidance.

Return to School Five Full Days	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All employees will be asked to self-screen before leaving for work to ensure temperatures below 100 degrees Fahrenheit and stay home if they have symptoms consistent with COVID-19 or have had close contact with a person diagnosed with COVID-19. Employees may return when they meet CDC guidance: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/if-you-are-sick/end-home-isolation.html?CDC_AA_refVal=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.cdc.gov%2Fcoronavirus%2F2019-ncov%2Fprevent-getting-sick%2Fwhen-its-safe.html • Staff will be trained to recognize possible COVID-19 symptoms and refer students that are displaying symptoms to the office. • Mr. Eggers and Mrs. Irby are the staff liaisons responsible for responding to COVID-19 concerns. Employees should contact them if they have concerns about COVID-19. • Any student or staff member who has a fever of 100.0 or higher will be advised to isolate at home for 72 hours from the onset of symptoms, or if student produces a negative test, can return to school after no longer having a fever for 24 hours without use of medication. • The school will contact the Sutter County Public Health Department if we are notified that a student or staff member has a positive COVID-19 test. Sutter County Public Health will work with Marcum on a case by case basis to determine the extent of exposure to other students and staff members and consider if classroom, office, or school closure is warranted, and the length of time based on the need to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 and allow for additional cleaning. Marcum will follow the Governor’s guidance on school closure. A classroom will close if there is 1 confirmed case of COVID-19. The school will close if at least 5% of the student body and/or staff have confirmed cases of COVID-19 within 14 days. Classroom or school closure will result in using distance learning to ensure continuity of learning until the classroom or school can reopen. • The school will communicate with staff/families in the case of a student or staff member with a positive test for COVID-19, in accordance with the privacy requirements of FERPA/HIPPA and the communication guidance as required from County Public Health.



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Families who are not comfortable sending their children back to school are encouraged to enroll their children in South Sutter Charter School. Marcum-Illinois will hold their child’s spot for one year as they explore this option with South Sutter Charter School for their family due to Covid-19 concerns. Students and staff who express symptoms related to Covid-19 are expected to stay home. Students will not be penalized for poor attendance due to health related absences. Please do not give your child fever reducing medicine and then send them to school. If they have symptoms, they should stay home...for their health and the health of others.
PPE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Per the Governor’s July 17th mandate, face coverings are required for staff and students in 3rd-8th grade and recommended for students in TK-2nd grade. Face coverings are available for staff and students. Gloves will be available upon request for staff.
Morning Den	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Morning Den will be limited to 20 students. Families must prepay and register for morning care. Please only utilize this if necessary for your family, as we have many families that require this support and we want to be able to support those that require this option. Students will be checked in by their parent or guardian each morning at the Den. Students will have their temperature taken upon entry. If a student has a fever of 100.0 F or higher they will not be allowed to stay in Morning Den or attend school that day. Students will use hand sanitizer or wash their hands immediately upon entering the multi-use room. Before School Care will take place in the multi-use room with students spaced to allow social distancing. If at any time a student has a fever of 100.0 F or above or exhibits other symptoms related to Covid-19 they will be isolated and parents/guardians will be contacted for immediate pick up. At 8:10 students will go from the Den area to their classroom and use hand sanitizer or wash their hands upon entering. Multi-Use Room will be disinfected after Morning Den.
Before School Procedures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students are not allowed on campus until 8:10 unless they are checked into Morning Den (20 student limit, must be pre- registered and prepaid). Students will have their temperature checked at the front of the school, and/or at the staff parking lot entrance. There will be spaces marked for students to wait to be checked in order to maintain social distancing. If they have a fever of 100.0 F or higher they will not be allowed to attend school that day. If their parent is not on campus, the student will go to the isolation area and parent/guardian will be contacted for immediate pick up. Students will go to their classrooms for the time period between 8:10-8:30.



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students needing school breakfast will get their breakfast at the counter in the cafeteria and will eat at the tables outside and/or in the classroom.
Classroom Protocols	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Class sizes are not expected to exceed 24 students. Average of 18 students in each class. While in the classroom, students will be socially distanced with desks separated appropriately. Students will wash their hands or use hand sanitizer upon entering the classroom, before and after eating, and before and after recess. All classrooms and buildings have hand sanitizer dispensers installed. Students will use their own individual supplies, as provided by the district, (ie: pens, paper, markers) and should not share with other students. Excess furniture will be removed from classrooms to allow for more distancing of students. Shared equipment will be limited and will be regularly disinfected throughout the school day. Classroom drinking fountains will not be accessible (water bottles can be filled). Students will remain in their classroom for instruction. Students in grades 6-8 will continue to have limited departmentalized instruction; the teachers will rotate classrooms to provide instruction
Recess	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students will have recess outdoors (weather permitting) with their peers. Playground equipment (balls, ropes, etc.) will be sanitized after each recess. Playground structures will be sanitized after each recess. Students will use hand sanitizer or wash their hands immediately before and after recess. Drinking fountains will not be accessible (water bottles can be filled).
Dismissal Procedures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dismissal will be staggered between 2:45-3:00 to allow students to social distance as they leave the classroom and go to the bus, the dismissal area in the front of the school, or the Den.
After School Den	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> After School Den will be limited to 50 students. Families must register for after school care. Please only utilize this if necessary for your family, as we have many families that require this support and we want to be able to support those that require this option. Students participating in After School Den will be required to stay until at least 4:30pm, 5 days a week. Students will use hand sanitizer or wash their hands immediately upon entering the multi-use room. After School Care will take place in the multi-use room with students spaced to allow social distancing during homework time. If at any time a student has a fever of 100.0 F or above or exhibits other symptoms related to Covid-19 they will be isolated and parents/guardians will be contacted for immediate pick up.



Campus Management & Access	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Campus access will be limited to staff, students, and parents/guardians on official business ONLY. (No volunteers and visitors on campus.)
Social Emotional Learning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Marcum recognizes that relationships and in- person connections are a critical component of social development for students. We will work within the health and safety guidelines to provide meaningful connections and social opportunities for students. • Teachers will embed lesson plans with social-emotional learning activities. • Marcum will continue following existing procedures to refer students requiring a higher level of social- emotional support. • Teachers and staff will regularly monitor and track the Social Emotional status of all students.
Instructional Model to Address Learning Loss	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teachers will identify learning loss from academic data collected once school reopens. • Students will be assessed both formally and informally, including through digital means if necessary, as they would in a traditional year. Instructors will be expected to conduct normal and necessary pre and post assessments to address learning loss (if applicable), guide instruction, and contribute to an overall grade at the end of the grading period. • Teachers will reassess student learning periodically to determine the efficacy of existing interventions and provide additional supports. • Last year’s teacher has shared and will share information with this year’s teacher regarding standards mastered/not mastered from 19-20, as well as student’s level of progress from 19-20. • Marcum will facilitate teachers' efforts to share best practices for mitigating learning loss. • All students will be provided with an intervention period during which teachers will support students’ specific needs.
Meal Service	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Food should not be shared with other students. • Food services staff will be equipped with gloves and face coverings when handling food. • Students will eat in their classrooms. • Food will be delivered outside the classroom. Students who need school lunch will go to get their school lunch right outside the classroom door and will maintain social distance while doing so. • School lunch items will be packaged to allow for easy selection. Meal options will remain similar to what they have been in the past.
Communication	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The administration and teachers will communicate clearly, consistently, and often with stakeholder groups (students, parents/guardians, staff and community) with the most up to date information available.



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The administration and teachers will communicate with families/staff/community through a variety of platforms (i.e. email, website posts, social media, newsletter, text messages, phone calls).
Facilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Marcum’s custodial staff will clean and disinfect frequently-touched surfaces within school daily, and throughout the day as practicable The custodial staff will use cleaning products approved for use against COVID-19 on the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) approved list “N” and follow product instructions. Each classroom will be cleaned and disinfected daily. The office and staff areas will be cleaned and disinfected daily. Each bathroom will be cleaned and disinfected daily. High touch areas in all bathrooms will be disinfected regularly throughout the day.
Bus	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bus transportation should only be accessed if necessary. If it is possible for parents to drop their students off at school between 8:10 and 8:30, we recommend they do so. Students will have their temperature taken prior to getting on the bus. If their temperature is above 100.0 F they will not be allowed on the bus or attend school that day Students will use hand sanitizer as they enter the bus Social distancing on the bus will be utilized to the most appropriate extent possible. Students will sit in seat alone (or with someone from their household) Students in 3rd-8th grade will wear masks on the bus, students in TK-2nd grade are recommended to wear masks as well. The bus will be disinfected after each route.



Distance Learning

(Only if required by Governor and/or Local Public Health Officer Order or Mandate)

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Technology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All students who need a device for distance learning will be loaned one for the duration of Distance Learning. Students who do not have internet access at home will be provided with a wifi hot spot.
Instruction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Teachers will provide daily virtual interactive lessons for all students. Teachers will be available for students to drop in for live virtual interactive support sessions daily Teachers will provide virtual interactive lessons to support English Learners daily Teachers will provide virtual interactive support sessions for students who are below grade level daily Students in 2nd-8th Grade will be able to access Google Classroom independently in order to access lessons, links, etc. PK-1st Grade may use SeeSaw or Google Classroom. Teachers will provide content relevant to students' needs that is aligned to grade level standards and provided at a level of quality and intellectual challenge substantially equivalent to in-person instruction Students will be provided with content that will meet or exceed the required instructional minutes detailed below (includes interactive lessons as well as time value of assignments provided to students) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> TK-K 180 Minutes 1st-3rd 230 Minutes 4th-8th 240 Minutes Teachers will document daily participation for each student on each school day for which distance learning is provided. A student who does not participate in distance learning on a school day shall be documented as absent for that school day. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -evidence includes: participation in online activities, completion of regular assignments, completion of assessments Teachers will interact with every student, every day (virtually or through telephone contact) and will log contact.



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Teachers will complete a weekly engagement record for each pupil documenting synchronous or asynchronous instruction for instruction for each day of distance learning and verifying daily participation and tracking of assignments.
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Social Emotional Learning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Marcum recognizes that relationships are a critical component of social development for students. We will work to provide meaningful connections and social opportunities for students. Teachers will embed lesson plans with social-emotional learning activities. Staff will continue following existing procedures to refer students requiring a higher level of social- emotional support through a virtual option Teachers will regularly monitor and track the Social Emotional status of all students.
Instructional Model to Address Learning Loss	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Teachers will identify learning loss from academic data collected once school resumes Students will be assessed both formally and informally. Instructors will be expected to conduct normal and necessary pre and post assessments to address learning loss (if applicable), guide instruction, and contribute to an overall grade at the end of the grading period. Teachers will reassess student learning periodically to determine the efficacy of existing interventions and provide additional supports. Last year’s teacher has shared and will share information with this year’s teacher regarding standards mastered/not mastered from 19-20, as well as student’s level of progress from 19-20. Marcum will facilitate teachers' efforts to share best practices for mitigating learning loss. Below grade-level students will be provided with an intervention period during which teachers will support students’ specific needs through interactive lessons.
Meal Service	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5 Breakfasts and 5 Lunches will be distributed once a week through a drive thru service Food services staff will be equipped with gloves and face coverings when handling food.
Communication	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Administration and teachers will communicate clearly, consistently, and often with stakeholder groups (students, parents/guardians, staff and community) with most up to date information available. Administration and teachers will communicate with families/staff/community through a variety of platforms (i.e. email, website posts, social media, newsletter, text messages, phone calls).