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# **St. Oscar Romero High School**

## **Re-entry Plan**

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## St. Oscar Romero High School Re-entry Plan

The purpose of this document is to provide parents, students, and stakeholders with information specific to St. Oscar Romero High School, as we prepare to enter the 2020/2021 school year. Our Division has also prepared a general, high level Division plan for parents, the *Parent Re-Entry Plan*, which can be accessed [here](#), and on the ECSD website. We ask that you thoroughly read and become familiar with both documents.

### Romero Start-Up

We will stagger our school start up on September 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>. Please note:

Wednesday, September 2:	8:25-11:18	Students with last name A-F
Wednesday, September 2:	12:12-2:55	Students with last name G-O
Thursday, September 3:	8:25-12:00	Students with last name P-Z

Parents will be responsible to drop-off and pick-up their children on September 2. ETS busses will run their regular routes, but curb side busses will not accommodate lunchtime drop-offs or pick-ups that day.

**Please ensure that students wear a mask**

### Learning in ECSD

In Edmonton Catholic Schools, we will remain adaptable and flexible in our learning environments to ensure adherence to guidance from Alberta Education and the Chief Medical Officer of Health, while maintaining the integrity of programming as much as is practicable.

A survey has been sent out to Parents and Guardians from the Division, asking that you make a choice between in-school and on-line learning for your child for the first quarter (September 2/20 to November 3/20). It is vital that you respond to the survey as soon as possible. The deadline for responding is August 28, 2020. Instructions on how to complete the survey can be found [here](#). If you have already completed the survey, and (prior to August 28) change your mind about your choice, please log into your Parent PowerSchool Account, or call the school to make the change.

### Student and Staff Health

Parents and caregivers must assess their child daily for symptoms of common cold, influenza, COVID-19, or other infectious respiratory disease before sending them to school by using the ECSD [Daily Health Screening Questionnaire](#).

**We ask that you confirm your child's emergency contact information in PowerSchool prior to the start of the Fall 2020 Quarter and keep it up to date thereafter.**

### **Stay at Home When Ill**

- All students who have symptoms of COVID-19 OR travelled outside Canada in the last 14 days OR were identified as a close contact of a confirmed case or outbreak must stay home and self-isolate.
- Students must stay home until they have been assessed by a health care provider to exclude COVID-19 or other infectious diseases, and their symptoms have resolved.
- Please notify the school if your child will be away.
- Students will be supported by their school to learn at home if they are required to isolate due to illness, or because they are in close contact of a case of COVID.
- For those unsure if a student should self-isolate use the [COVID-19 Self- Assessment Tool for Albertans](#).
- If still concerned, contact 8-1-1 HealthLink or the local public health unit to seek further input.

### **Becoming Ill while at School**

- Students exhibiting signs of illness will be moved to a designated quarantine area within the school/site.
- Parent/caregivers will be notified and advised to pick up their child immediately.
- The student/parent should then access the [COVID-19 Self- Assessment Tool for Albertans](#) and follow the recommended course of action.

### **Pre-Existing Conditions**

The school must be made aware of your child's known, pre-existing medical conditions.

If a student develops symptoms in or outside of the school that could be caused by COVID-19 or by a known pre-existing condition (e.g. allergies), the student should be tested for COVID-19 to confirm it is not the source of their symptoms. Symptoms need to be resolved before the student returns to school.

Students with pre-existing respiratory concerns will not be made to wear a face mask if it inhibits their ability to properly breathe. However, in such cases, we ask that you send us a medical note to substantiate the assertion that your child would suffer harmful breathing issues by wearing a mask at school.

### **School Safe**

#### **Hand Washing**

Students are expected to wash/sanitize their hands before leaving home, on arrival at school, after using the washroom, before and after any transitions within the school setting, (e.g. moving classrooms, indoor- outdoor transitions, etc.), and before leaving school.

Hand sanitizer will be available at various locations throughout the school, including classrooms, and school entrances/exits.

### Personal Protective Equipment

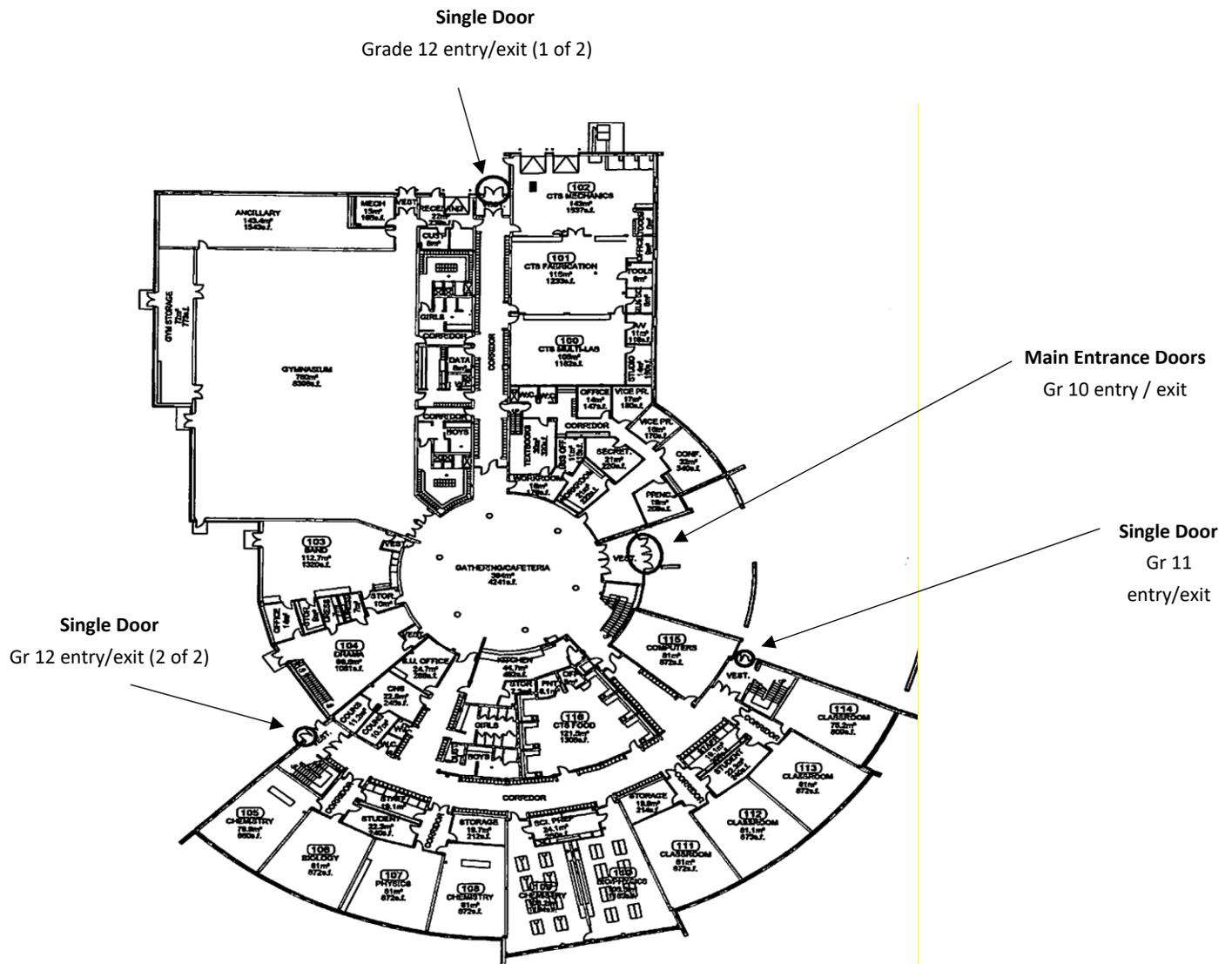
Masks are mandatory for staff/students while in the school (see *Pre-Existing Conditions* above).

### Romero COVID 19 Protocols

#### Entry / Exit Doors

To enter / exit Romero:

- Grade 10 students will use the main entrance doors (facing 69 Avenue).
- Grade 11 students will use the single door to the West of the main entrance (by Mrs. Lewis' room).
- Grade 12 students will use either the North door (by the Braided Journeys Room), or the East door (by the Industrial Arts Room).



### Quartermester Schedule

For 2020/2021, Romero will operate on a quartermester schedule, as shown below. Though this may at first appear confusing, our students quickly learn the ropes. Teachers and staff are always available to help students navigate their timetable.

Day 1 Blocks	Day 2 Blocks
Block 1	Block 2
Block 3	Block 4

Regular Days	Early Dismissal (Most Thursdays)	Raven Time (on early dismissal day)
1 <sup>st</sup> Bell – 8:25	1 <sup>st</sup> Bell – 8:25	1 <sup>st</sup> Bell – 8:25
8:30 – 11:18 Period 1 (Block 1 or 2)	8:30 – 10:14 Period 1 (Blocks 1/2 to rotate through)	8:30 – 9:42 Period 1 (Blocks 1/2 to rotate through)
Lunch 11:18 – 12:07 (possible staggered dismissal)	10:17 – 12:00 Period 2 (Blocks 3/4 to rotate through)	9:45 – 10:45 TA/FLEX
12:12 – 2:55 Period 2 (Block 3 or 4)		10:48 – 12:00 Period 2 (Blocks 3/4 to rotate through)

The doors to the school will open at 8:00am and will be locked minutes after the start of classes. Students arriving after that time will enter via the main entrance, and must be prepared to show their ID.

When students enter the building, they are to hand sanitize, then proceed directly to their first class and sit in their assigned desk.

Students who do not have a morning class are asked to stay home until after the lunch break, and arrive at school no sooner than 15 minutes before the start of their afternoon class. As with morning classes, we ask that students use their designated door, hand wash or sanitize upon arrival, and proceed to class when the bell rings.

Romero is an Open Campus, which means that students are free to leave the school at lunch. If students decide to stay at school for lunch, they may eat in the hallways and are required to physical distancing. If students choose to eat lunch in the COR, tables and chairs will be set up to promote physical distancing.

Please also note the following:

- The cafeteria will be open.
- No outside food can be delivered to the school.
- Parents are not permitted to drop off food.
- Microwaves will not be available.
- There will be no vending machines.
- The automatic water bottle filling station in the Industrial Arts / PE corridor will be available for use.
- Traditional water fountains, and manual water bottle filling stations will not be available for use.

#### **While at School**

- All classrooms will be designated a set of washrooms.
- Students will be asked to transition between classes by walking on the right side of the hallways.
- Student lockers will not be available.
- The gym will be available for class use.
- PE lockers will not be available. Students will wear masks and maintain physical distancing when using the change room. Student belongings will be locked in the PE storage area.
- The Success Center will be open for class use.
- The Workout Center will not be available for student use.
- Students on spares are not permitted to remain in the building.

#### **Visitors to the School**

Any family members who wish to visit Romero must have a prearranged appointment. Please call 780.428.2705 to arrange your visit.

#### **Extra-Curricular Activities / Sports Teams**

At this time, we expect that we will be able to resume some degree of extra-curricular activities, including sports teams, with a possible start date of September 21, 2020. This date is contingent on several variables, and we will continue to keep you updated. Note that both online and in-school learners will be able to participate.