The Middle Path

Educational / Social Emotional Needs
Children and Youth

COVID-19
Community Spread
San Mateo County Pandemic Recovery Framework
July 21 Edition

Pandemic Recovery Framework for Schools

The San Mateo County Pandemic Recovery Framework for Schools provides school leaders with the health, education, and legal guidance needed to develop local plans for a safe return to on-campus instruction and learning after campus closures in response to community spread of COVID-19 beginning in March 2020.

The San Mateo County Superintendent of Schools, the San Mateo-County Health Officer, school district superintendents and staff, and members of the San Mateo County Counsel's Office collaborated on drafting the Framework. The Steering Committee of the San Mateo County Coalition for Safe Schools and Communities and members of San Mateo County School Board's Association reviewed the Framework and provided recommendations.

- Pandemic Recovery Framework for Schools
- Executive Summary
- Mental Health Convening Document
- Licensed Early Learning and Care Convening Document
- News Release

https://www.smcoe.org/other/for-administrators/school-recovery-planning.html

https://www.smcoe.org/other/for-educators/
System is Catching Up
2020-21

• Schools must provide meaningful instruction regardless of delivery method
• Accountability for attendance, student engagement, parent engagement, student outcomes
Return to School 2020-21

• Priority is for in-person instruction, but only with safety and health pillars in place
• Most districts have planned for hybrid or modified operations
• Many will start the school year in Distance Learning
State Guidance: July 17, 2020

• State Guidance for schools does **not** apply to early learning and childcare

• In person learning is contingent on SMC being on/off the monitoring list (Off: 14-days)

• Elementary Districts/schools may apply for a waiver

• Consider incremental approach to in-person hybrid implementation
Meeting Student Needs On/Off Campus

- School facilities may remain open to staff for the purposes of performing tasks deemed essential or necessary by the School or School District, and providing limited and special services (including but not limited to school meals) to students
- One-on-One or Small Group supports
- Computer Labs with facilitated support
The Way Forward: Testing

- SMCOE is working directly with San Mateo County to coordinate a countywide approach.
- County is creating a pool of vendors they will make available to SMCOE on behalf of all districts.
- In this piggyback partnership, districts would **not** need to implement a local RFP.
- It **will be possible** to develop a testing protocol.
- Explore funding sources through CARES, SB98, and SB117.
Health and Education Messaging

- Health Officer Statement: June 15
- Health Officer Statement: July 20
- Confirmed support for waiver process
- Ongoing communication structures between SMC Health and SMCOE are in place
- Will continue to work on messaging around data
District Supports: Social Emotional Learning and Mental Health

Join us for a dynamic day of sharing! Learn interactive and engaging methods to connect with students online. Be ready for the school year!

About this Event

This one-day online institute will equip teachers with SEL and creative strategies to build classroom community online as we plan curriculum and instruction for the 20/21 school year. Workshop titles include: Drama Games in Zoom, Restorative Practice Circles, The Art of Self Care, Arts Integration with Music and Poetry to connect to classroom curriculum, and more!

Register now to save your spot! We look forward to seeing you in July!

- Michelle Holdt, Gracie Hough, and Brad Ostrander - SMCOE

Date And Time
Wed, July 29, 2020
8:30 AM - 4:30 PM PDT
Add to Calendar

Location
Online Event
Legislative Advocacy

• CARES: Equitable services funding for non-public schools under the CARES Act detrimentally impacts public schools
• We urge Congress to swiftly reinforce its intent pertaining to Section 18005(a) of the CARES Act by passing legislation rescinding this equitable services rule, further clarifying the allocation requirements for equitable services for non-public schools consistent with Title I.
Legislative Advocacy

- Congresswoman Speier has signed onto a letter requesting $13 billion in additional funding for IDEA as a part of any coronavirus bill. We would appreciate it if you would circulate it as possible to Superintendents and to members of boards of education.
COVID-19 Questions
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