



As the start of a new school year approaches, we wanted to share more information regarding our school's opening in August. Throughout the summer, the administration has been in constant communication with the Archdiocese of New Orleans and has been studying CDC recommendations and guidelines. It remains our goal to provide the transformative Catholic education that you and your families expect from Archbishop Rummel High School.

This email contains a general overview of our reopening plan that has been approved by the Archdiocese of New Orleans. The following chart is a summary of our plan.

PHASE 1	PHASE 2	PHASE 3
VIRTUAL	HYBRID	TRADITIONAL
Students learn virtually at home.	In the hybrid learning environment, students will attend classes on campus and virtually. Daily attendance is mandatory, whether on campus or virtually, and would be taken each day within the Google Meet session for those students who are at home.	All students are on campus every day

If the governor moves the state into **phase three**, then we will have a traditional learning environment where ALL students are on campus every day. There would be daily temperature checks, mandatory masks, and safe social distancing within each classroom to help ensure the safety of our students.

If the governor keeps the state in **phase two**, we have a hybrid plan in place to maximize learning in each course.

In the hybrid learning environment, we will have two days: Red day and Blue day. On red days, students whose last names begin in A-K would follow their schedules on campus in their classrooms. Students whose last names begin in L-Z would remain home but would be REQUIRED to join their classes live through Google Meet sessions at the regularly scheduled class time. In other words, the teacher is presenting his or her lesson with half the class in the classroom and the other half of the class inside a Google Meet session. On

blue days, students whose last names begin in L-Z would follow their schedules on campus in their classrooms while students whose last names begin in A-K would participate from home within a Google Meet session. Attendance is mandatory and would be taken each day within the Google Meet session for those students who are at home.

We understand that teachers and students must learn and practice the procedure that will be used during the hybrid learning environment. Therefore, if the governor keeps the state in phase two, then we will use the week of August 17 to acclimate our students to this new learning environment.

Monday, August 17, will still be check-in day for all students. The reporting time for each grade level will be sent in a future email.

Tuesday, August 18, will be a full day of school for ONLY eighth and ninth grade students with dismissal at 2:45 p.m. Teachers will focus on Google Meet and classroom procedures on this day. Tenth, eleventh, and twelfth grade students remain home.

Wednesday, August 19, will be a full day of school for ONLY tenth, eleventh, and twelfth grade students. Again, teachers will focus on Google Meet and classroom procedures. Eighth and ninth grade students will remain home. However, eighth and ninth grade students will be required to join the Google Meet session for each of their classes at the regularly scheduled times. This will give students and teachers an opportunity to discover and address any potential challenges from using Google Meet at home.

Thursday, August 20, will be a full day of school for ONLY eighth and ninth grade students. Teachers of these students will make sure that students are comfortable with logging into a Google Meet session from home along with starting material for the course. Tenth, eleventh, and twelfth grade students will remain home. However, these students will be required to join the Google Meet session for each of their classes at the regularly scheduled times. This will give students and teachers an opportunity to discover and address any potential challenges from using Google Meet at home.

Friday, August 21, will be a full day of school for ONLY tenth, eleventh, and twelfth grade students. Teachers of these students will make sure that students are comfortable with logging into a Google Meet session from home along with starting material for the class. Eighth and ninth grade students will remain at home. Teachers will be available throughout the day through Google Meet in case there are any questions on what was taught the previous day.

Monday, August 24, will be a Red day. Students with last names A-K will follow their schedules on campus in their classrooms, while students with last names L-Z will follow their schedules at home through Google Meet.

Tuesday, August 25, will be a Blue day. Students with last names L-Z will follow their schedules on campus in their classrooms, while students with last names A-K will follow their schedules at home through Google Meet.

We will continue this pattern until the governor moves the state into phase three. Please note that if the governor moves the state back to phase one or to a stay at home order, then we will have a completely virtual environment. More specifics regarding this environment would be sent in a future email.

The safety of our students, faculty, staff, and community is our number one priority.

Regardless of the phase, we have already adjusted our daily schedule to allow smaller groups of students to eat at the same time. We have also adjusted the layout of our Physical Education classes to minimize contact among students. During the change of classes, hallways will become one-way thoroughfares so that students are not unnecessarily crossing paths. Our maintenance staff has been working diligently each day to ensure that our campus remains disinfected and safe. We have recently completed a treatment to our HVAC system which will help maximize the filtration unit. In addition, our normal cleaning procedures will include disinfecting high traffic areas frequently using a product that adheres to and protects surfaces longer, wiping down desks between classes, using hospital grade disinfectant in classrooms, and having hand sanitizer dispensers placed throughout the campus.

As we look forward to beginning the school year, we turn to the wisdom of Saint John Baptist de La Salle as he taught his Brothers, “Throw yourself into God’s arms. He will carry you when the road is rough.” We trust in our Provident God who leads us towards His ends even when we ourselves cannot see what He hopes to accomplish.

