

Dear Snow Canyon Students and Parents,

It is finally here! The beginning of the school year is upon us, and it has been a battle getting to this point! We cannot wait to welcome the teachers and students back for a great year. Yes! A great year! Despite all of the unknowns, there is no doubt this will be a memorable time, but we hope the students will look back and remember it as being a great time as well.

It is an honor to be the newly appointed principal of Snow Canyon High School. I have a special love for high school and all of the various opportunities it provides for students. I would also like to welcome Kyle Campbell as the new Assistant Principal over Student Services. Conley Gali remains as the SCHS Activities Director. We have spent a great deal of time making plans, and we hope you will take a moment to read through the following information to help prepare for returning to school.

We are committed to ensuring high levels of learning for all students, and as a staff we have a responsibility to develop our skills to meet the students' needs. Over the summer, our teachers have been involved in professional development opportunities to enhance our ability to prepare for this unique time. We understand that returning to school may have some unknowns, but we know this is the best place for our students. We are eager to get them back into the classroom, and to help them prepare for their futures. I apologize in advance for this lengthy message, but there is so much information, and much of it is subject to change.

We do have a few exciting changes going on at SCHS, and we are excited about how these changes will positively impact our school.

SCHS Counseling Center and Student Schedules

The **SCHS Counseling Center** has a new program that we are thrilled for our students to utilize. The program is called Class Choice. This program works with PowerSchool, and allows for students to make adjustments to their schedules from the comfort of their own homes. Most of our students have already been busy navigating Class Choice. If you did not have a chance to navigate the system, please refer to this letter our counseling center previously sent. There are written and video instruction included in this letter [CLASS CHOICE INFO](#)

We wanted to provide an opportunity for students and parents to come to the school and get help with Class Choice if needed. This will be available on **Tuesday, August 4 and Wednesday August 5 from 8:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m.**

Please see the chart below to arrive at the time assigned **according to last name**. Every effort will be made to physically distance and to keep students and volunteers safe. This is also a perfect time to walk around the school and become familiar with all areas of the school. If you choose to take advantage of this time, **you will be required to wear a mask**. We must limit the number of people in an area. Please, student and one parent only.

There will not be a Back-to-School Night held this year.

	8:00--9:00 am	9:00--10:00 am	10:00--11:00 am	11:00 am--12:00 pm
Tuesday, Aug 4	Last Name A,E,J,U	Last Name B,F,K	Last Name C,D,V	Last Name G,L,N
Wednesday, Aug 5	Last Name H,P	Last Name I,M,O,Q	Last Name R,W	Last Name S,T,Y,Z

If you have questions, please reach out to your assigned counselor (see chart below). Please be patient waiting for your question to be answered, as the counselors have a very large number of students to help during this time. **If you are looking for online options**, please contact your counselor. Not sure who to contact? Please refer to the following chart:

SCHS Counseling Staff		
Counselor Students A-D	Mr. JJ Esplin	jj.esplin@washk12.org
Counselor Students E-J	Mrs. Danielle Johnson	danielle.johnson@washk12.org
Counselor Students K-Q	Ms. Natalie Neva	natalie.neva@washk12.org
Counselor Students R-Z	Mr. Doug Meacham	doug.meacham@washk12.org
Registrar/Counseling Secretary	Mrs. Rhonda Brinkerhoff	rhonda.brinkerhoff@washk12.org
Counseling Secretary/Testing Coord.	Mrs. Rochelle Larsen	rochelle.larsen@washk12.org

School Construction

Please pardon our dust! We have a few renovation projects going on throughout the school. Some areas are behind schedule as COVID-19 has even had an impact on receiving materials on time. We look forward to the completion of these projects, and we are so grateful to the WCSD personnel and our amazing custodial staff who have been working tirelessly to get our school prepared for students.

New Early Out Schedule

WCSD will implement an **Early Out Friday** schedule for 2020-2021. Each Friday, students will be excused at 12:15. This time will be used for student intervention and teacher collaboration. A sack lunch will be available for pick up for those wishing to purchase school lunch. A bell schedule will soon be posted on our website. Please click on the link for the [SCHS Bell Schedules](#).

School Fees

For information regarding school fees click this link [School Fees Info](#)

We will still be using **Myschoolfees.com** for payment of school fees, however, we ask that you hold off on paying fees until **August 7**. This allows for students to make changes to their schedules, and for the program to finalize those changes, to ensure the payment of correct course fees. Click on the link for [MySchool Fees](#) If you come to the school to pay fees, please wear a mask.

Fee Waiver Information

We know these are challenging times. If you feel that you are in need of assistance, please fill out the Fee Waiver Form and return it to the SCHS finance office. Click on the link for the [Fee Waiver- English](#) or [Fee Waiver Spanish](#) Please bring Fee Waiver form and income verification documents.

School Lunch

Please use this link to pay for school lunch [School Lunch Payment](#)

If you would like to apply for school lunch assistance, click on the link

[Free/Reduced School Lunch- English](#) or Free/Reduced School Lunch- Spanish

Covid-19 School Reopening Plan

SCHS will follow the School Reopening plan as outlined by WCSD, the USBE and the mandates by Governor Herbert. WCSD has posted the Reopening Plan for all schools. We will follow the plan as outlined to provide a safe environment for our students, faculty and support staff. Click on the link to view the [WCSD Reopening Schools Plan](#) or visit washk12.org or our own website schs.washk12.org

With that being said, SCHS does not have a separate policy for anything Covid related. The SCHS policy is the same as outlined by WCSD, the USBE and the mandates by Governor Herbert. Please understand that every effort is being made to create a safe educational environment for our students, faculty and support staff. Masks are not comfortable, but they must be worn. Each student will receive 2 Snow Canyon masks. There will be some disposable masks available should a student forget. An option to a mask is a face shield. A face shield has been approved as an appropriate mask. If you would like more information when masks are required, please read the School Reopening Plan. This is for the safety of students and staff, and we greatly appreciate your support and patience. Masks must follow dress code. This means that any images, messages on the mask must adhere to the dress code standards. If you do not feel that your student will not do well wearing a mask, and you would like to explore other options, please contact our counseling center for Blended Learning and Online Learning opportunities.

Distribution of masks will be on Thursday, August 13. More information on how to pick up masks will be coming soon!

First Days of School

The first day of school will be **Thursday, August 13**. We will have an alternate schedule on this day. At this time, we are planning to have **Sophomore Orientation** at the beginning of the day, with Juniors and Seniors arriving later. **Thursday, August 13 will be an A Day**. Students will follow the A Day schedule. A bell schedule will be sent very soon. Friday, **August 14 will be a B day and will be an early out day**, with students dismissed at 12:15. A sack lunch will be provided on that day.

Schedule for Aug. 13

8:15- First Bell- Sophomores will meet in one of 4 locations- There will be time to walk around and explore the school.

11:00- End of Sophomore Orientation and beginning of Lunch

All students welcome for outdoor lunch

11:55- Bell for 1st period

1st Period-12:00-12:29

2nd Period-12:34- 1:03

3rd Period- 1:08-1:37

4th Period-1:42-2:11

5th Period- 2:16-2:45

Activities

There will be more emails to come regarding any changes that may occur and regarding what will be required for activities. Again, apologies for what will probably be an email overload. We will continue to update our website and put as much information on there as possible.

We look forward to working with the awesome students of SCHS. We know this is the best place for them, and we cannot wait to feel the energy that the beginning of a school year brings.

We thank you for your patience and support as we work through this together. The SCHS Student Council chose the theme "Stronger Together," and we truly believe it takes all of us to do our part in creating a positive learning environment for our students.

Sincerely,

SCHS Administration

Kim Monkres- Principal

Kyle Campbell- Assistant Principal

Conley Gali- Assistant Principal/Activities Director