School Reopening Plan
At a Glance

INSTRUCTIONAL MODELS (Grades PreK-12)

In-Person Learning
- GV teachers, GV curriculum.
- Use of a mask is required of students and staff.
- Extensive health and safety precautions in place.
- Maximized space within classrooms.
- Families maintain the option to shift to virtual at any time.
- In the event of a school closure, instruction would transition to virtual learning or the Hybrid Plan.

Virtual Learning
- GV teachers, GV curriculum, when possible.
- Some limits to specials, exploratory, elective courses.
- Students in virtual learning may transition to in-person at the end of a quarter (end of October, beginning of January).
- Students receive standards-based feedback the same as in person, using our grade card.
- K-12 students will be issued a chromebook for use at home.
- CLICK HERE to request Virtual Learning for your student.

Hybrid Plan
(Parents cannot choose this option. It will only be implemented if we need to reduce our inperson capacity.)
We are prepared to implement a hybrid model (fixed blended instruction) in the event we need to operate in a reduced capacity. In this model, portions of students within a school alternate between attending school in person and virtually so fewer students are in person at one time. If we need to switch to this hybrid model, students who were previously virtual full time will remain virtual full time.

HEALTH AND SAFETY PROTOCOLS
- Use of a mask is required of students and staff.
- Maximized spacing within classrooms.
- Health and wellness of students and staff monitored at home and at school. Ill staff and students sent home immediately.
- Handwashing is emphasized.
- Classrooms equipped with child-safe cleaning materials.
- Surface cleaning throughout the day and nightly.
- Hand sanitizer readily available throughout each school.
- Drinking fountains are not available for use. Students may bring water bottles and refill from sinks or filling stations.
- Visitors to school are limited and access within the school is restricted.

COMMUNICATION
- Family options for instruction shared and explained.
- Health and safety protocols made clear.
- All families and staff associated with a school where there is confirmation that a person infected with COVID-19 was present will be notified.
- Any adjustments to our plan will be shared with all families and staff.
- For more information on our School Reopening Plan, visit our website at GrainValleySchools.org.
Grain Valley Band Families,                                                June 11th, 2020

We are excited to embark on the journey that is the 2020 Grain Valley Marching Band season! Our first interaction with students has been permitted by the district, and this announcement includes some important updates for you.

**Charms:** hopefully by now you and your student understand how to navigate the Charms website. This will continue to be our primary form of communication to our students and families for all things regarding the band program.

**Calendar:** Be sure to regularly check the Charms calendar to see which events will affect your student. Next week we have the following events planned:

- **Tuesday 6/16:** Incoming freshmen visual training  5:00pm-8:00pm Band parking lot (GVHS)
- **Wednesday 6/17:** Incoming freshmen visual training  5:00pm-8:00pm Band parking lot (GVHS)
- **Thursday 6/18:** Color guard camp   4:00pm-9:00pm Stadium field (GVHS)
  Brass Visual training    5:00pm-8:00pm Band parking lot (GVHS)
- **Friday 6/19:** Woodwind Visual training  5:00pm-8:00pm Band parking lot (GVHS)

**All incoming freshman**, with the exception of front ensemble prospects and color guard members, are encouraged to attend both incoming freshman visual training days. No equipment will be used.

**All students 9th-12th grade** who are Brass players are encouraged to attend the Brass visual training day. No equipment will be used.

**All students 9th-12th grade** who are Woodwind players are encouraged to attend the Woodwind visual training day. No equipment will be used.

**All color guard members** are encouraged to attend the color guard camp. Equipment will be used.

**All percussionists** should refer to Mr. Batchelor’s email regarding percussion camp, which takes place June 22nd through June 26th from 5:00pm-9:00pm each day. Equipment will be used.

ALL STUDENTS will be required to fill out the attached waiver form. Please print, fill out, and turn in to your staff (Barzee, McDonald, or Batchelor) upon arrival to one of these events. Forms are due June 22nd.

ALL STUDENTS will be required to scan a QR code and answer two questions prior to the start of every rehearsal. If your student does not have a SmartPhone, they may use yours or borrow from another student. This QR code will be used to track attendance at these events and are used as precautionary measures regarding Covid-19.

**Students who plan to drive** to these events should park in the Sni-A-Bar Elementary school parking lot.

**Parents who will be dropping their student off** will need to enter and exit on the East entrance of the school. The entrance from Eagles Parkway (where the street light is) will NOT be accessible due to construction of the new fine arts wing.

Covid-19: In addition to the waiver form and QR code from the Activities Office, the band program is committed to providing a safe environment for all our students. Social distancing measures will be implemented. All events in the month of June will be exclusively outdoors. If you have any questions, please contact me via email.
Preparation: It is incredibly important that your student prepares for these events. Here are some suggestions:
- Heat acclimation. Spend some time outside, with sunscreen protection, to get acclimated to the increased heat.
- Hydration. Drink water to pre-hydrate for extended periods of time in the heat and humidity.
- Hat/sunglasses. We highly encourage all students to wear both at all outdoor summer events.
- Mask. If your student feels comfortable doing so, they are encouraged to wear a mask to these events.
- Practice. Google Classroom pages have been set up, with model videos from upperclassmen on what to prepare.
- Attire. Athletic-wear is essential. Students wearing jeans will be asked to call a parent to bring them appropriate clothing. Marching band is a physical activity. Shorts, socks and tennis shoes, and a t-shirt are the best option for all of these events.

Water jug: All students will be asked to bring their own water jug. We strongly encourage a minimum jug size of one gallon. We will have large coolers filled with water for students to refill as needed. Water fountains will be inaccessible. Students will NOT be permitted to share water with other students under any circumstance. If a student arrives without water, come talk to a band director and we will help you.

Communication: For upperclassmen and veterans of the band, we will be bringing back the weekly “Fanfare!” announcements sent out every Sunday. This is a weekly newsletter informing students and parents of all band events happening in the near future, in addition to larger events later on. This also will include other announcements such as student spotlight, fundraisers, or other band functions. The first Fanfare! of the 2020 season will be sent out this Sunday June 14th.

Student Trip and Fee packet: We will release a detailed information packet on our plan for 2020 student fees on Wednesday June 17th. Be on the lookout for an email from me on that day!

Show camp: Our show camp begins on July 20th, extending Monday-Friday, and ends August 7th. Show camp involves all band students. Please refer to the Charms calendar for rehearsal times. Rehearsals have been updated in Charms through the end of Summer, ending August 24th.

Please let me know if you have any questions. I speak for the entire GVME staff when I reiterate our excitement to see your student in the coming weeks!

Best,

[Signature]

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