Sandy High School Hybrid & Distance Learning FAQ

Does my student have to physically return to Hybrid school or can they stay in Distance Learning the remainder of the school year? You have the choice of hybrid or Distance Learning based upon the needs of your family.

Can we choose to start Hybrid Learning later than the first day it is offered? Yes.

Can we go back to Distance Learning from Hybrid? Yes.

Can I change cohorts? No. Cohorts are based on last names from K-12. Blended families with different last names will be allowed to be in the same cohort.

Do students need to wear a mask while at school? Yes. Face coverings are required for all students in grades kindergarten and up, along with all staff. Student or family refusal to wear appropriate face covering for a values-based reason then dictates that educational needs be met through Comprehensive Distance Learning.

What type of face covering is appropriate? A face covering is defined as a cloth, polypropylene, paper or other face covering that covers the nose and the mouth and that rests snugly above the nose, below the mouth, and on the sides of the face. The following are not face coverings because they allow droplets to be released: a covering that incorporates a valve that is designed to facilitate easy exhalation, mesh masks, lace masks or other coverings with openings, holes, visible gaps in the design or material, or vents. Face shields are allowed only by staff, such as by speech pathologists who need students to see their mouth and tongue movements.

Will students travel between classes? Yes. Due to the nature of many specialized classrooms, students will travel to each of their three classes, periods 5, 6 & 7 on Instructional Days.

Will students be able to socialize in the lunchroom, etc. before & after school. Due to the guidance from the Oregon Department of Education, students will not be able to gather in the lunchroom to socialize. Students will need to wait at their socially distanced assigned spots in the lunchroom or in the hallway if they come to school early.

Will the teacher be able to help my student in the classroom? Yes. How we help will change. Teachers won't be traveling the classroom to desks. Students and teachers can ask and answer questions publicly, share screens, work in a Google Doc or other electronic platform, etc. depending upon the need.

Will students eat at school? Students can take part in a grab and go lunch and breakfast option at the end of the school day. Students will be taking their food home instead of eating at school.

Can I use the restroom while at school? Yes. Students can use their 5 minute passing time to use the restroom. Also, if a student must use the restroom during class, teachers can sign a student written hall pass. Restrooms and high touch areas are being sanitized at least once per hour.

What are the student technology needs/requirements during Hybrid Instruction?

Students need tech at home and school and should carry their fully-charged school-issued Chromebook or their personal laptop to and from school each day. This is imperative. We do not have enough Chromebooks to have two assigned to a student for even one day.

What will the schedule look like in Hybrid/Distance Learning?

Sandy High 7:45-9:15	Semester 2 Instructional Days (M/T/Tb/F) Period 5	Wednesday	
9:20-10:50	Period 6	9:20-10:20	Advisory
10:55-12:25	Period 7	10:25-11:25	Teacher office hours
12:25 End of day; dismissal			
1:00-2:00	Period 4 Online Course	1:00-2:00	Online course
2:05-3:10	Teacher office hours		1

Hybrid cohorts switch roles on alternating days:

Each class has two cohorts of students.

o Cohort A: last name beginning with A-L

o Cohort B: last name beginning with M-Z

While Cohort A attends in-person, Cohort B attends virtually. While Cohort B attends in-person, Cohort A attends virtually. All students have the same access to the class, whether in-person or virtual/distance learning.

o Cohort A: Monday and Thursday in-person; Tuesday and Friday virtual

o Cohort B: Tuesday and Friday in-person; Monday and Thursday virtual

Students participating in ONLY comprehensive distance learning would do so with the same schedule as above.

No students are on campus on Wednesdays.

Will there be a survey asking us if we want to participate in Hybrid or remain in Distance Learning? Yes. A survey will be sent out this week.