

STONEHAM HIGH SCHOOL
STONEHAM, MASSACHUSETTS

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Bulletin #135

Day 3A: C / A / D / G / E

Hybrid

Important Information for School Day SAT on Tuesday, April 27 / Class of 2022
[School Day SAT](#)

Hi Stoneham Spartans! This May, our school will have its first **Spartan Stress-Less Day**: a day for students to choose from a selection of stress-free activities to take, like yoga, coloring, or frisbee! These activities will promote mental and physical health, community engagement, and learning for fun. If you want to help with planning, volunteering, or leading an activity, scan the QR codes around the school to sign up or speak with Ms. Kaufman in Room 226. Thanks!

SPARC Club is looking for new members to serve as mentors and advisers to the rising 8th graders for the upcoming new school year. [SPARC Ambassadors](#) will be expected to attend training sessions this spring, participate in 8th Grade Step Up Day, Freshman Orientation (in August), and stay connected with the incoming freshman class in order to help them with their transition to the high school. All current sophomores and juniors are welcome to apply. Please see Ms. Polizzi in the Guidance Department for application information.

Return to Full in Person

The return to a full in person learning model is the first step in bringing our school community back together as we continue to navigate COVID safety guidelines and school operations. This return will be a transition that for many students and faculty may be experienced with much excitement and some cautionary anxiety.

There is no doubt of the excitement for all students returning to school for in person instruction and learning activities, peer and teacher engagement and the overall impact on a thriving school community. It is exciting to think of this return!

However, there is some caution.

The schedule transition from hybrid to full in person is quite simple, as students will follow the exact same schedule as the hybrid schedule over five days instead of ten. Class rotation and meeting times, length of each class, transition times between periods and the start and dismissals times of school and afternoon extended sessions are all the same.

The COVID safety guidelines of correctly wearing a face mask at all times while on school grounds, social distancing of 3 - 6 feet, frequent washing and hand sanitizing, no food or drink in classrooms and following directional markings for movement within the school are still in place and will require all students strict adherence.

There is some concern as to the ownership and self responsibility of COVID safety guidelines by all members of our school community.

This will be our biggest challenge and needs to be the point of focus we all rally around; All students and families strictly following our school COVID safety Guidelines.

As we prepare for our return to full in person students and families are requested to assist with our transition by continuing to follow and adhere to COVID safety guidelines. We need to curb our excitement and keep our guard up, not down.

Let's use this time to best prepare for a successful return to full in person:

- Masks on correctly at all times
- Socially distance
- Follow hallway arrows
- No food / drink in classrooms
- Frequent wash / hand sanitizing

Return to Full In Person Schedule and Updated School Calendar

April 28: Day 4a

All grade 9 attend in person

Grades 10 - 12 follow hybrid schedule

April 29: Day 4b

All grade 9 attend in person

Grades 10 - 12 follow hybrid schedule

April 30: Day 5a

All grade 9 attend in person

Grades 10 - 12 follow hybrid schedule

May 3: Day 1

All grades attend in person

[Updated School Calendar HERE](#)

As we prepare for a full return to in person learning we should prepare for an increase in walking and driving traffic for arrival and dismissal times. Please plan accordingly to allow for a timely, safe and orderly process.

- Adjust travel times to avoid traffic and being tardy
 - Students may enter SHS at 7:45am
- Pay attention to increase student walkers
 - Watch crosswalks
- Pay attention to increase in car traffic

GRADUATION CAP & GOWN

Class of 2021: We will be accepting payment for your Graduation Cap & Gown and accessories. Checks should be made payable to: SHS Activity Fund.

Basic cost per student: \$33.00.

NHS students cost: \$21.00 (NHS Stoles/tassel purchased separately)

Cost will increase if you requested additional tassels.

Please share with your parents or guardian to make them aware that payment is now being requested.

Senior / Class of 2021 Graduation Information

Graduation caps/gowns/stoles/masks

Cost per student

- \$33.00
 - Include's
 - Royal Blue Cap/Gown and Tassel: \$16
 - White Stole w/blue Spartan-2021: \$12 (sample below)
 - White Mask w/blue Spartan-2021: \$5
 - Extra's
 - Extra Blue and White Tassel: \$3.50
 - **Students who are eligible or think they might be eligible for a cost reduction/waiver should contact their counselor.**



COVID Safety Update

1. **No coffee / drinks / food is permitted in classrooms.**

As stated last week, with the increase of vaccinations, opening up of school, work and social restrictions and warm weather it is easy to think things are getting back to normal and easy to let down our diligence with continued safety precautions. With this in mind this is a reminder that during our current conditions **No coffee / drinks / food are permitted in classrooms.**

If a student requires water then they should discuss with their teacher and work within classroom expectations and safety requirements. However, adding food, coffee and other beverages only add an unneeded potential to put others at risk as these would require removing masks.

Food is to be eaten in the Cafeteria or alternative areas when directed.

Please note that this policy is, as are all of our related COVID safety policies, aimed at supporting and maintaining a safe learning environment that most supports our ability to maintain in person learning and extracurricular events and activities.

1. **Many allergy symptoms are on the [COVID-19 Daily Self Checklist](#)**

- Now is the time to contact your child's pediatrician.
- Come up with a plan to handle your child's allergy symptoms:
 - Daily medication
 - Nasal
 - Sprays
 - Eye drops
 - etc.
- It is possible to have Covid-19 and other health conditions at the same time.
- Please review the Covid-19 symptom checklist every day before you bring your child to school.
 - [COVID-19 Daily Self Checklist](#)
- Call or email us before sending your child to school with any symptoms on this list.
 - 781-279-3810 x1317
 - Sandra Malzone RN
 - Angela Celli RN

FREE BREAKFAST AND LUNCH

All meals are free through the end of the school year to all students:

- Breakfast is available in the High School cafeteria at 7:45 am.
- Lunch to go meals are available at 12:30 pm dismissal. Pickup will be in two (2) locations: main lobby and outside the cafeteria.
- Meals are also available for pickup at the High School (Door 6). The hours for pickup are 9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. You can pickup as many days as needed.