



Ironwood Ridge High School

Spring 2021 Hybrid Learning – Student and Parent Memo



February 14, 2021

Dear Nighthawk Students, Parents and Guardians,

As we transition back to the Hybrid Learning model, the administration and staff of Ironwood Ridge want to provide you with a few reminders on daily practices and safety protocols we continue to adhere to. We also wanted to provide you with few updates to the Hybrid Learning model that will go into effect on Monday, February 15th. We have also updated information posted to [Ironwood Ridge Hybrid Learning Resource and Information](#) page.

New Features to the Hybrid Learning Model:

Daily Attendance on Off-Campus Learning Days:

Teachers will conduct attendance in the first 5 – 10 minutes each day, using Zoom. On the days when your student is **not** on campus, they must log into their teachers' classes, using Zoom, to receive any directions/instructions for the day's learning and have their attendance taken.

During this time, their camera must be on in order to be counted as in attendance.

If your student is late to class, the teacher will mark them "absent." Parents will need to contact Ironwood Ridge's Attendance Office (520.696.3908)

Wednesday Instruction:

Wednesdays will continue to be remote learning days and we will continue to follow the Early Out Schedule. Wednesday instruction/activities will change to "live" instruction. On Wednesdays, teachers will conduct direct instruction, via Zoom, to both Cohort 1 and Cohort 2.

Communication Protocol:

We will continue to communicate any instances of COVID-19 cases that impact students. This weekend, parents received an email from the district providing updates to the district's Hybrid model. We have established a new portal on the Ironwood Ridge website that will provide parents with notification on any positive cases of COVID.

If a student is determined to be a "close contact," as defined by the Pima County Health Department, parents will receive direct communication from Ironwood Ridge administration and our school nurse, Mrs. Valerie Whitesides, RN.

District Communication:

On Friday, February 12th, Amphitheater district leadership sent out an email providing parents/students with information and protocols regarding the return to Hybrid Learning model. Included in the communication were two new infographics to assist parents and students with preparing for the return to campus, changes to daily instruction and helpful tips.

The letter and infographics can be found on Ironwood Ridge's Hybrid resource page.



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Continuing Practices:

Protect the Ridge: What You Need to Know:

In case you missed the videos that IRHS Student Government and Film/TV leaders prepared, we have several short videos to help students and families remember the daily protocols and procedures that are in place to keep our students and staff safe. Each topic below is addressed in the video. Click on the link to view the procedures for each area.

- [Entering Campus](#)
- [Hallways and Passing Periods](#)
- [Stairs and Greetings](#)
- [Entering/Exiting Classrooms](#)
- [Lunch](#)

Entering Campus Daily:

Our daily safety protocols for student entry on their assigned cohort days, remains the same as the Fall. As students enter campus through one of the designated locations (see map at the end of the parent letter), students will have their temperature taken, verify they have a face mask properly worn, ensure they have their Ironwood Ridge Student ID visible and be required to use hand sanitizer. **Students are expected to have their masks on before exiting their car. If your student rides the bus, masks must be worn at all times on district buses.**

- **Students with a 1st Period Class (7:15 am start):** Students with a 1st period class should plan on arriving between 6:50 and 7:10 am. Parent drop-off and student parking is in the Student Lot ONLY, students may not be dropped off in the Front Loop. Students will enter campus at the check-in located at the gates between the Gym and Fine Arts on the west side of campus.
- **Students who begin their day with a 2nd period class (8:25 am start):** Students with a 2nd period class, who are not arriving by school bus, should plan to arrive between 7:55 and 8:10 am. Parent drop-off is in the Student Lot ONLY, students may not be dropped off in the Front Loop. Students will enter campus at the check-in located at the gates between the Gym and Fine Arts on the west side of campus.
- **Student Drop Off:** Students may not be dropped off more than 30 minutes before their first class of the day.

Finding Classrooms and Navigating Campus:

If your student is new to Ironwood Ridge this semester and is unfamiliar with the campus, we posted QR codes that students can scan with their cell phone. The QR codes will show a specific location relative to where the student is at that moment. Students can also find maps of the campus and building using the following link.

- [Ironwood Ridge Campus Map](#)

Lunches:

Food Service is expanding their meal options and but will continue to serve lunches in a grab-and-go process. To further our students' safety, we are only permitting two students per table for the first week. We are in the process of placing dividers on lunch tables that will allow students to sit four per table. **After students have finished eating, they must put their masks back on for the remainder of the day.**

Students are not permitted to have food delivered to campus using services such as GrubHub, DoorDash, UberEats, etc.

Backpacks, Books and PE Uniforms:

Students will carry their books, binders, PE uniforms, other materials with them at all times. Classroom sets of books have been removed for the time being thus, students should be prepared to bring any textbooks, notebooks or other class materials from/to home each day.



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We will disinfect all PE lockers at the end of the school day; thus, all belongings must be taken at the end of the period. Any lockers not emptied will have the lock cut and contents placed in an identified location by their teacher.

Nighthawk Prep Packs:

We strongly encourage every student to create their own Nighthawk Prep Pack to keep in their backpack.

The prep pack should consist of:

1. An extra face mask (in addition to the mask being worn.)
2. Hand wipes
3. Hand sanitizer
4. Kleenex



Water Bottles:

Water fountains have been shut off around campus; however, we have several water bottle filler stations that are available for use. Please send your student to school with a water bottle that can be filled as necessary.

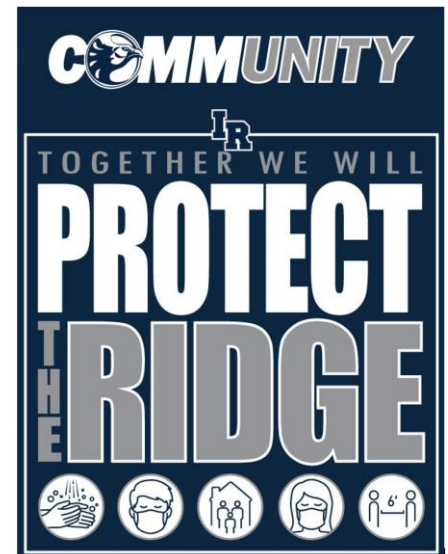
Library:

During the time we are adhering to the Hybrid Learning model, our Library will have limited use based on occupancy guidelines that support social distancing.

Helpful Parent Links:

For additional information on District processes and procedures you can visit Amphitheater’s website that provide Quick Guide Flow Charts. Listed below are links to a few helpful guides.

- [Should I Report to School?](#)
- [If a Student Appears to be Sick](#)
- [Positive Case on Campus](#)



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