

Great Start Readiness Preschool GSRP Orientation 2020-2021



Welcome to Royal Oak Schools GSRP

Line up at your assigned outside door at arrival and again at dismissal. A staff member will open the doors at this time.

- ***Face coverings are required for adults and children while waiting and approaching the doors. This is for everyone's safety!***
- If you arrive after class begins you **MUST** call your child's teacher and they will meet you at the arrival doors.
- No toys or books from home
- No medication should be in backpacks, including: cough drops, chapsticks, *sanitizer* or lotion
- Visit **royaloakgsrp.com** for more information

COVID-19 CDC Daily Screening Questions

By signing your child in each day you are agreeing to **ALL** of the questions below

Your child has **NOT**

- Have not received positive COVID-19 results
 - Have not been in close contact with someone who has COVID-19
 - Had any of the following symptoms in the past **72 hours**
 - Must report symptoms that occur outside of the school day and weekends
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Fever of 100.4 or higher | <input type="checkbox"/> Headache |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chronic cough | <input type="checkbox"/> Sore throat |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Shortness of breath | <input type="checkbox"/> New loss of taste or smell |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chills | <input type="checkbox"/> Vomiting and/or diarrhea |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Muscle pain | <input type="checkbox"/> Extreme fatigue |

COVID-19 School & Classroom Guidance

Reporting COVID-19 & Follow-up Process

- You ***MUST*** report any direct contact with a person who has tested positive
- All cases are reported to the district, school and local health department
- Families will be notified if a case is confirmed in the building
- The building/classroom will be closed for cleaning
- The classroom with a confirmed case will self-quarantine at home for 10 days
- Due to federal laws the identity of the family/student will remain anonymous
- All staff or students in close contact with that student (in the last 14 days) will self-quarantine for 10 days
- Staff or students may not return to school until 10 days of quarantine

Classroom & Building COVID-19 Policies

GSRP is a licensed program and must follow all State of Michigan LARA (Licensing and Regulatory Affairs) Guidelines & Royal Schools District policies related to COVID-19

- *When medically able **ALL** students must wear a face covering when:*
 - Entering and exiting the building
 - When in a “shared space” such as hallway or gym
- All children will use sanitizer while entering the building
- All children will use soap and water to wash hands
(per CDC recommended 20 seconds with warm water):
 - Upon entering classroom
 - Prior to work time
 - Prior to Recall
 - Prior to going outside

Classroom Changes Due to COVID-19

Due to licensing regulations, our district policies and CDC recommendations, here are a few changes to our GSRP setting

- Classes will NOT interact with students from other classrooms
- Classes will have scheduled time for outdoors so there will be no overlap of classes
- Classrooms are rearranged to allow more space, some items have been removed such as wooden blocks and dress up items (difficult to clean)
- All children will have their own set of supplies or materials (markers, scissors, etc.)
- Tables and chairs will be added to allow for more spacing of children
- Materials and toys will be cleaned and sanitized at least once per day
- Drinking fountains are not available, students may bring a sports water bottle
(water only)

In-Person, Hybrid & Virtual Instruction

Due to COVID-19 the State of Michigan has established “phases” for the state and regions. Each phase will require the district/GSRP provide learning for every student.

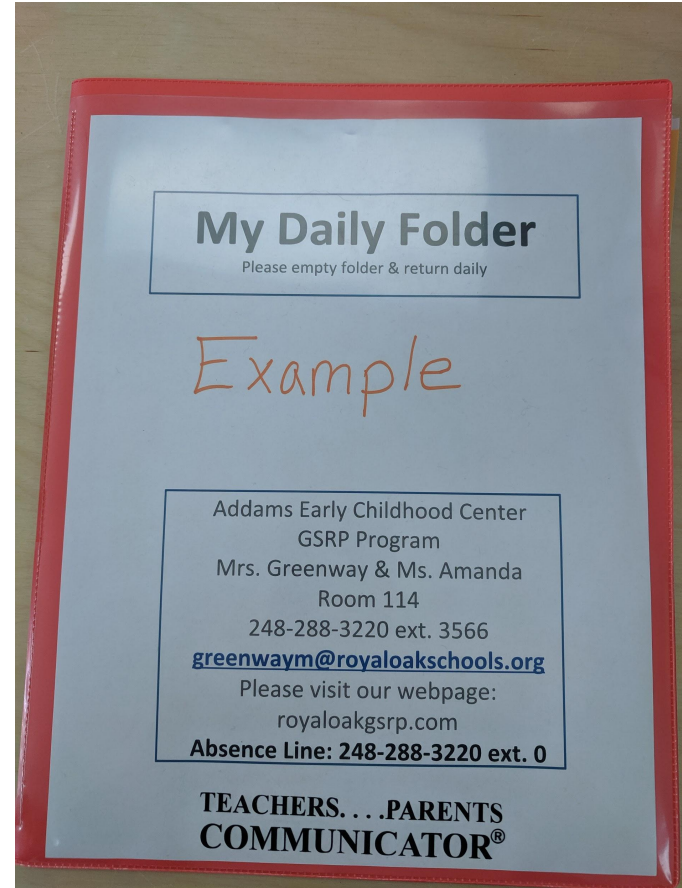
Phases 4 & 5 allow for face-to-face learning in schools with safety precautions in place, strict guidelines for face covering and social distancing of students. A “hybrid” schedule would allow for some “in school” learning and some “virtual” or “remote” learning. This would allow schools to space students more easily and possibly eliminate a potential outbreak

Phases 1, 2 & 3 **ALL** learning must be done “virtually” or “remote.” Students will use technology (provided by district if needed) to follow along with lessons provided by teachers. Lessons may be “live” or pre-recorded and provided to families.

It is possible we could move through multiple phases throughout this school year. If or when this happens, teachers are prepared to continue with student learning. No time will be lost in planning.

Communication Folder

- Bring folder to and from school every day
- Best way to send information or notes to teachers
- ALL notes, permission slips and information comes home in folder
- PLEASE EMPTY DAILY
- Teacher contact information located on the cover
- Report child absences with office: 248-288-3220 ext. 0



School Calendar

GSRP Yearly Calendar-- Varies slightly from Royal Oak District calendar



Holiday or Birthday Celebrations

- Royal Oak Schools' Policy is no birthday treats allowed
- Each classroom will acknowledge the child's birthday with a sticker, crown or birthday vest
- If your child is interested they may also bring in their favorite book from home and we will share with the class!
- We do not celebrate holidays with a party
- Some special events will replace traditional class parties



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Unique to GSRP...

Home Visits (2) & Conferences (2)--Will be conducted Virtually via Google Meet

- Conferences will be held virtually (Typically November & May)
- Home visits will be held virtually (Typically October and February)

Parking Passes:

The school will provide parking passes to display in your vehicle window. This must be displayed when parking. The Royal Oak Police will ticket those in the no parking zone if not displayed.

High Scope Curriculum--Non COVID

High Scope is an internationally renowned curriculum with the core focus being a consistent daily schedule

Daily Schedule Components:

Breakfast

Greeting Time

Small Group

Planning

Work Time

Recall

Outside

Lunch

Rest Time

Work Time

Snack

Outside

**Please see handout in folder for detailed explanations of each component*

Daily Schedule/Remote Learning

Face to Face Learning Day (2 hours 2x per week) Daily Schedule

9:00-9:10/1:00-1:10 Arrival

9:10-9:15/1:10-1:15 Morning Meeting

9:15-9:30/1:15-1:30 Small Group

9:30-10:15/1:30-2:15 Work Time

10:15-10:20/2:15-2:20 Clean Up

10:20-10:30/2:20-2:30 Large Group

10:30-10:55/2:30-2:55 Outdoors

11:00/3:00 Dismissal

Dismissal Extension Activities/Independent Learning (1-3 hours) Starfall, story retelling props, literacy & math activities

Remote Learning Day (1-3 hours 2x per week) ● Literacy ● Math/Numeracy ● Music & Movement ● Art ● Read Aloud
5-7 minutes recorded lesson by a GSRP teacher with activity or supporting materials (15/20 minutes total)

Outside Time

Occurs every day (weather permitting), 30 minutes each

Proper Outside Gear: ***Due to COVID-19 teachers are UNABLE to loan clothing***

- A warm/winter jacket
- Snow pants
- Snow boots (waterproof)
- Winter hat
- Mittens or gloves (waterproof)

**Please send EACH day or buy an extra set to leave at school*



First Full Day of School!

What does my preschooler need?

- Extra change of clothes to keep in your child's locker (bathroom accidents, spills etc...)
 - Long sleeve shirt, pants, socks, underwear
- Communication Folder
- **Face Mask-** with name written on it
- Backpack- big enough to fit your child's folder



GSRP Monthly Newsletters

- Sent home in student communication folders at the beginning of each month (also available on our GSRP website)
- Highlights an aspect of our High Scope Curriculum
- Helps families become familiar with the curriculum content
- Help families learn about how to incorporate curriculum content in the home setting
- Shares dates for upcoming events or program activities

