

On March 23, 2020, Governor Jay Inslee ordered all non-essential recreational facilities closed to the public as part of a stay-at-home policy issued in response to the threat of COVID-19, the illness caused by the novel coronavirus. When the stay-at-home order is lifted and/or eased to allow the safe opening of recreational facilities, the Garage will partially reopen with numerous safety precautions initiated.

In order to maintain proper social distancing of six feet, during the partial reopening the Garage will only permit five students to be in the building at one time. This will allow for the presence of two staff members. Because schools will continue online through the end of the 2019-2020 school year, the Garage will be open from 12pm to 6pm, Monday-Friday. Students will sign up for two-hour shifts at the Garage, both to minimize contact and to provide a greater number of students the opportunity to attend. Students will sign up for shifts through the Garage website's Setmore scheduling.

Garage staff will take the following precautions to ensure the Garage is meeting the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) health standards to decrease the likelihood of spreading the virus.

During open hours:

- Every staff member and student will wear a cloth mask, bandana, or scarf over the nose and mouth. Staff will provide masks for students who do not already have one.
- Staff will administer a temperature check for each student outside before the student enters the outdoor seating area.
- All students will use hand sanitizer before entering the outdoor seating area.
- All students will sign in and provide their name, email address, and phone number upon entering the building.
- Staff and students will make every effort to stay six feet away from each other at all times.
- The coffee bar will remain open, but only disposable cups will be used. Students will be required to dispose of all of their own waste.
- Staff must monitor student behavior. For example, staff must remain vigilant to prevent hugs and sharing of furniture.

Before opening and/or after closing:

- Staff will wear a cloth mask or bandana when inside the building at all times.
- Staff will disinfect with a water-bleach solution made daily, paying close attention to high touch spots such as
 - Sign-in counter, clipboard, pens and pencils
 - Doorknobs
 - Light switches
 - Faucets
 - Handles
 - Video game controllers and TV remotes
 - Table tops
 - Chairs
- Staff will arrange the furniture in a manner that enforces social distancing.
- Large signs will make known the rules about trash disposal and social distancing.
- Tape on the sidewalk outside the building will measure six feet of distance to enforce social distancing before students enter the building.

In the event that a student or staff member tests positive for the coronavirus, staff will notify every student and staff member who came into contact with that individual at the Garage.

The team of staff that was exposed will be tested and stay in quarantine, per CDC and King County protocol, until deemed safe to return to the Garage.