

- Shared items will be minimized (including food at lunch);
- Hand sanitizer will be made available to faculty and students in each classroom and throughout the building;
- Regular handwashing routines will be instituted (among other safety routines); and
- We do not plan to install barriers or shields isolating desks/students from each other.



If Utah County returns to the **ORANGE RISK LEVEL** we are prepared to carry forward as much as possible on campus (if allowed by the state and local health departments) with even smaller classes using variations of our schedule and high quality [flipped-class courses](#), among other innovations, which we are developing and improving this summer in connection with [AHS Essentials](#). Full-time students would receive highly interactive teacher coaching on-campus and online that would create a powerful and inspiring mentored-learning experience.

Even in the RED scenario (all students at home, which we expect would be a shorter period than the spring, if at all) the experience that you would have with our “American Heritage Online 2.0” will be a whole new level of quality. You’ll still receive school-issued laptops that you need, but we recently also received major funding to create new online courses and refine our existing online courses K-12 to provide more self-directed courses ([StudentGO](#)) with live, on-line coaching relationships between students and teachers, as well as more active learning projects and approaches that will serve students and families much better than what you experienced this spring.

We are sensitive that there are reasonable and differing opinions, even in the medical community, on some of these protocols, and that it is still early to be making final decisions about circumstances that have yet to be clarified in the fall. But we wanted you to be aware of our current thinking. **Our intention is to give our students and employees a sense of safety, normalcy, and comfort, by balancing as carefully as we can the important principles of public health and personal choice.**

Our Safety Committee, comprised of multiple physicians in the school community, will continue to monitor the quickly evolving COVID-19 circumstances and best practices to guide us as we approach the fall.

We’re smarter and stronger together, with faith in every footstep!