

RE-OPENING DURING COVID

PARENT INFORMATION: AUGUST 17, 2020



We have been given an opportunity to grow as a school and a community. It is our time to live up to who we say we are. We cannot control the virus ourselves but we can follow the guidelines set by our government representatives, scientists at the CDC and directions from the Department of Public Health as we persevere together.

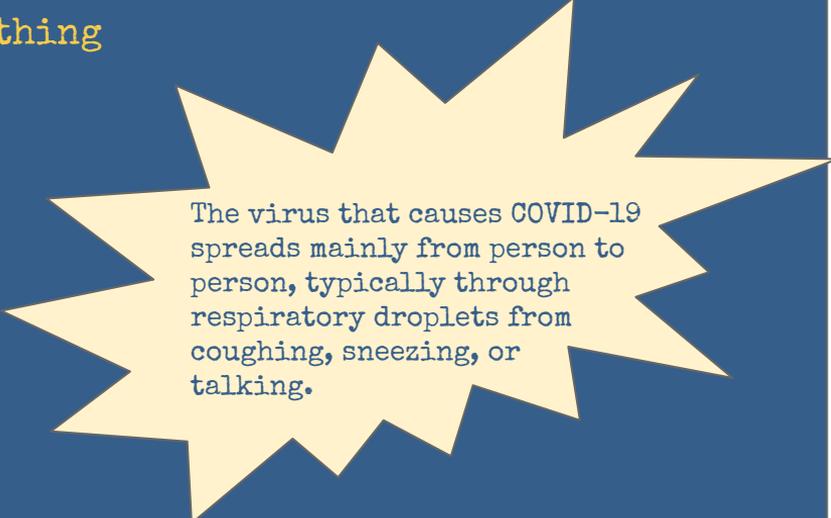
All students will have access to instruction, whether on campus, distance learning or quarantining at home.

At this time, only our Early Childhood Center will be open.

BEFORE WE RETURN
TO SCHOOL:

Familiarize yourself with COVID-19 symptoms

- Fever
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Chills
- Repeated shaking with chills
- Fatigue
- Muscle pain
- Headache
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea
- New loss of taste or smell



The virus that causes COVID-19 spreads mainly from person to person, typically through respiratory droplets from coughing, sneezing, or talking.

Close contact is defined as being within 6-feet, for 15-minutes or more, during the infectious period of someone who tested positive for COVID-19. The infectious period starts 2 days before any symptoms began – or for people without symptoms, 2 days before they got tested.

TO PREPARE FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR:

- Speak with your child about what school will look like this year.
- Discuss with them the importance of staying physically distant from their friends on campus.
- Help them practice washing their hands for 20 seconds regularly.
- Get your child immunized against influenza unless medical reasons disallow it.
- Practice physical distancing and mask wearing in your own life as a member of the Los Angeles community to stop the spread of the virus.

- Send at least two clean back-up face masks in a ziploc bag, clearly labeled with your child's name.
- Send a clean change of clothes clearly labelled with your child's name.
- Send your child with their own set of headphones if they are in Pre-K or above.
- Stock up on masks, have enough to send your child to school with a clean mask everyday.
- Send your child their own hand sanitizer.

DAY-TO-DAY LIFE:

DRESS CODE:

- No uniform for any ages
- New clean clothes every day
- No slogans
- No rips
- No inappropriate images
- No shoelaces

DROP OFF (8:40–9 am):

- Conduct a symptom check on your child before leaving for school and input your answers on the app Brightwheel.
- Drop off will be at the basketball gate ONLY for all ages.
- Parents can not come on campus for drop off and staff members will escort your child to class.
- Digital attendance will be taken at the gate.
- Your child should wait at the next available marked spot for their turn to be screened.
- A staff member will conduct an interview asking about symptoms/close contact and take your child's temperature.

REQUIREMENTS FOR ENTRANCE TO CAMPUS

- Students WILL NOT be allowed on campus if they have ANY symptoms, have had ANY close contact with an infected or suspected infected person, or have a temperature of 100.4 or higher without fever-reducing medication.
- Students WILL NOT be allowed on campus without:
 - Their clean mask on their face (required by the health department for 2 years and up).
 - Lunch:
 - No midday delivery can be accommodated due to LADPH guidelines.
 - Lunches cannot require any preparation from an adult (so no instant noodles, sorry!)

DAILY ROUTINES

- Prayers start at 9 am and will be digitally broadcast to your child's classroom.
- Your child will wear their mask all day, except when eating or drinking water.
- Your child will move only with their class.
- Handwashing routines will be explicitly taught, modeled and practiced regularly throughout the day.
- Hand Sanitizer will be available in every classroom and throughout the campus.
- They will be distanced in the classroom- 6 ft apart or separators.

- Specialists will zoom-in while your child's teacher will manage behavior and help students.
- Students will have individually labelled and stored materials.
- If materials or areas (basketball court, lunch tables, and grass area) are shared they will be sanitized between uses.
- High touch areas will be cleaned three times daily according to a schedule.
- Recess and outdoor time will be socially distanced (students should keep 6 ft apart) with larger easily sanitized materials and only one class at a time.

- PICK UP (3:40-4):
 - Will be at basketball gate ONLY.
 - A staff member will walkie talkie to your child's teacher and will escort your child.
 - Parents cannot come on campus at pick up.
 - You must help your own child into their car seat/ with their seatbelt.
- ONCE YOUR CHILD IS HOME you should sanitize everything they took with them to school everyday.
- COMMUNICATION WITH SCHOOL: please email or call the school, visitors will not be allowed on campus for any reason without appointments. Appointments will only be made with 24 hour notice and for things that cannot be resolved online or on the phone.

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL CHECKLIST:

- ❑ Locate and make a note of your closest COVID-19 testing site
- ❑ Make sure your child is up to date with their recommended vaccinations.
- ❑ Update emergency contact information with the school.
- ❑ Review and practice proper handwashing techniques at home.
- ❑ Talk to your child about what to expect and what it means to social distance at school.
- ❑ Send two masks and an extra set of clothes that will stay at school, in a ziploc bag with your child's name on it.
- ❑ Send a mask on your child's face and one back up for the day.
- ❑ Pack a lunch, two snacks, a filled water bottle and hand sanitizer for your child.
- ❑ Conduct your first daily symptom check.
- ❑ Make sure your child is dressed in clean clothes with shoes that don't have laces.
- ❑ Remind your child you will say goodbye to them at the school gate.

WHAT IF MY CHILD
GETS SICK AT SCHOOL?

- Students who show symptoms during the day will be escorted to an isolation area and supplied with a medical grade mask.
- Students who have close contact with any students with symptoms (this will include siblings and potentially other members from their class or other classes) will be escorted to a separate isolation area.
- In either case, a staff member will remain with them but socially distanced.
- If it's not COVID:
 - Students will need a doctor's note, negative COVID test AND be fever-free without the use of fever-reducing medication, diarrhea-free and vomit-free for 24 hours.

WHAT IF SOMEONE IS
DIAGNOSED WITH
COVID?

- If your child is diagnosed with COVID you must inform the school immediately
- Staff will set in motion our COVID response plan immediately and your child's privacy will be maintained.
- Staff will contact Department of Public Health Acute Communicable Disease Program and follow their directions.
- Classes will be temporarily moved to distance learning if there is a positive case in the classroom (teacher or child).
- If a family member is diagnosed with COVID, all students from that household will quarantine.
- Information will be sent to families following positive cases.

- COVID positive individuals must stay home in isolation and not return to campus:
 - for a minimum of 10 days after onset of symptoms
 - AND until their symptoms have improved
 - AND they are free of fever for at least 24 hours without fever-reducing medication
 - AND they have two negative tests at least 24 hours apart.
- Siblings and anyone with close contact with COVID positive individuals will be allowed back on campus after quarantining 14 days with no symptoms and at the discretion of the COVID response team.

OUR COMMUNITY
AGREEMENTS:

We Agree...

- Our family is abiding by all public health guidelines.
- Our family is practicing social distancing to keep ourselves and our community safe.
- I understand my child will wear a mask while at school.
- I understand that I will be allowed on campus only with an appointment AND if I have a mask on.
- I will conduct a symptom check for my child each morning before school and answer screening questions honestly and to the best of my knowledge using the app Brightwheel.
- I will notify the school if my child is sick and keep them home from school.
- I will notify the school if my child is diagnosed with COVID-19 OR if anyone in our household is.
- I will notify the school if my child comes in close contact (15 minutes or more within 6 feet) with a person who is diagnosed with or showing symptoms of COVID-19.
- I will support the needs and privacy of any school community members who are impacted by COVID-19

School will look different
this year. But our mission has
not changed:

We will still develop caring and
responsible global citizens striving to
achieve their full potential through
rigorous academic, social and
spiritual programs in an inquiry based,
inspiring environment that supports
the growth of the whole child as a
lifelong learner.

And we look forward to seeing
you and your children on
campus or virtually on August
26th, 2020.

