Campus Community School

Safe Return to School Plan

21-22

<u>LEARNING MODEL</u> - Campus Community School will offer a fully in-person, 5 days per week, learning model for the 21-22 school year. We believe this is the best way to address students' academic, social, and emotional needs. Families cannot "elect" to be remote; however, a student may need to participate remotely (by Zooming in to the in-person class) if any of the following occur:

- The student has a high-risk medical condition that could be compromised by in-person instruction and cannot be vaccinated. (*Note – In this case, a medical note from a doctor will need to be provided along with a written request for remote instruction.)
- The student needs to isolate or quarantine due to a positive Covid test or exposure to a positive Covid-case.
 (*Note In this case, documentation of a positive test result or DPH letter will need to be provided.)

It should be noted that NO STUDENT will be allowed to participate remotely without PRIOR approval by the Head of School, Mrs. Greene. It should also be noted that remote instruction will ONLY be allowed for the above reasons.

COVID MITIGATION STRATEGIES –

o COHORTS –

- ➤ Kindergarten 3rd grade will be divided into 3 classrooms (cohorts) per grade level with approximately 14 students per room. Grades 4-8 will be divided into 2 classrooms (cohorts) per grade level with approximately 24 students per room.
- > Students will remain in their cohorts throughout the day, other than when on the bus, to allow for easier contact tracing if necessary.
- > Students will have assigned seats on busses, in classes, and during meals to allow for easier contact tracing if necessary.

SOCIAL DISTANCING —

- > Classrooms will be set up to allow for at least 3 feet between student desks. In general, all desks should be facing the same direction; however, there may be other configurations that work well. The main idea is to not have students sitting directly next to or across from one another in a close setting.
- For breakfast and lunch, students will eat either in their classrooms or the cafeteria, based on their grade level. While eating, students will need to be at least 3 feet apart, but ideally 6 feet or more. In the cafeteria, "dot" stickers will be used to provide a visual of where students should sit. Students will be served at their seats rather than going through a meal line.
- In general, students will be taught to "keep their distance" around others.

o <mark>MASKS</mark> –

- When students are present, ALL individuals (staff and students) will need to wear a mask when indoors, especially when social distancing of 6 feet or more is not possible. Students will not be required to wear masks during lunch or outdoor activities.
- > All students will wear masks on the school bus.
- Students will be provided mask breaks as necessary and appropriate.
- > Students who have an approved doctor's note stating the condition, suggested plan for mask use, and expected duration of the plan will be provided with mask accommodations based on the doctor's recommendations.

Masks must be 2-ply (or more) and must be worn around the nose and mouth. Scarves, bandanas, and gator masks are prohibited.

OVERALL HYGIENE –

- All students and staff will wash their hands regularly, especially when using the bathroom, and prior to lunch. Hand sanitizer should be used throughout the day, as designated by the teacher.
- Like usual, students and staff will cover their nose and mouth when sneezing or coughing. Tissues will be disposed of immediately after use.

CLEANING and VENTILATION –

- > Bathrooms will be disinfected multiple times throughout the school day, and cleaned thoroughly each night.
- Classrooms will be provided with student-safe disinfectant and cleaning cloths to be used as needed throughout the day. Classrooms will be cleaned as usual each evening.
- > Busses will be cleaned after each run.
- All school windows have been replaced, and air ducts have been cleaned during the summer of 2021 to allow for better ventilation.

ANTIGEN TESTING and HEALTH SCREENINGS —

- All staff and students (even those who are vaccinated) will participate in weekly antigen testing.
- All staff and students should do a daily self-check based on the health screening that was sent home this summer (and can be found on our website). Staff and students should not report to school when ill.
- Any staff or student who tests positive for Covid (outside of our weekly antigen testing), or who is symptomatic, or who is a known close contact to a positive Covid case, should contact the nurse (Howard Kimmel) or Head of School (Heidi Greene) immediately.
- VACCINATIONS All staff, students, and families are encouraged to get vaccinated for their own safety and for the safety of others. Vaccination information, including locations and events, will be shared with staff and families as it becomes available.

TRANSPORTATION –

- To accommodate all bus requests while also keeping students distanced on the bus, we will create additional bus runs; this will help to reduce the number of students per bus. To make this work, some runs will be earlier or later than our "normal" bus times. Before/after school supervision will be provided for students who have an early drop off or a late pick up. Parents will be notified of their child's bus times as soon as we are done determining the best routing options.
- All students riding the bus will be expected to stay in their assigned seat at all times and wear their mask for the duration of their ride.
- DISMISSAL Dismissal will run the same as last year. Students will remain in their classrooms until called for dismissal (by bus or individually for parent pick-up). Parents will remain in their cars and line up on the side of the road. The first set of students will be called down to the curb; after the busses leave, parents will be directed to pull into the pick-up lane at the front of the building.

QUARANTINES, ISOLATIONS, and CONTACT TRACING -

- o If a student is symptomatic at school, he or she will be sent to the nurse for further evaluation. If it is determined that the student is a potential Covid case, that student will remain in the isolation room until picked up. Prompt pick-up (within one hour) is expected. At that time, all additional students/staff members who reside in the student's house may also go home, depending on the circumstances and symptoms.
- Students who are sick may NOT ride the bus.

- The student (and household members) can return to school upon the symptomatic student receiving a doctor's note, a negative test, or a DPH clearance letter (in the event of a positive Covid case). In each situation, the school nurse will provide specific guidelines for returning.
- o In the event that a staff member or student tests positive or is considered a close contact of a positive Covid case, he or she will follow all quarantine and isolation rules per current DPH guidance.
- Any time someone who has been at school tests positive, the school will notify the entire school community (without disclosing the identity of this person). If the infected individual has been in close contact with anyone, those individuals will also be notified and may need to quarantine based on the circumstances.
- o In order to prepare our students and families for the potential of remote instruction, we will establish a "training plan" suitable to each grade level. This will be shared with parents during the month of September and will be posted on our website.

<u>SPORTS</u> – We will start the year with outdoor sports only: boys soccer and cheerleading in the fall, and girls soccer and cheerleading in the spring. Practices will be held outdoors. If an indoor practice is needed due to weather, masks will be worn. We will continue to evaluate this plan as the year progresses.

<u>FIELD TRIPS, VISITORS and OTHER EVENTS</u> – All of these things will need prior admin approval and will be approved on a case by case basis depending on the need, the scenario, and the current state of affairs in the school and community.

**As the year progresses, these protocols may change based on CDC and DPH guidance and/or school circumstances.