

Health and Safety Plan Summary: Clearfield Alliance Christian School

Anticipated Launch Date: July 9, 2020

Anticipated First Day of In-Person Instruction for 2020-2021: August 24, 2020

As we prepare and look towards the 2020-2021 school year, the health, safety, and well-being of our CACS staff, students, and families continues to remain a high priority. Our goal is to provide students/families with as much “normalcy” as possible while following all mandatory Covid-19 guidelines and taking into consideration the health and safety of everyone concerned.

As stakeholders in the CACS Community, we are providing you with the following summary of strategies and protocol developed with a focus on resuming in-person academic instruction in accordance with health and safety guidance provided by the PA Dept. of Education, Center for Disease Control, and PA State Gubernatorial recommendations.

Due to the evolving nature of the COVID-19 pandemic in regard to local and state Covid-19 case numbers, government recommendations or mandates, and the unknown aspect of future developments within the CACS Community environs during the course of the year, this Health and Safety Plan will evolve accordingly when necessary. Any revisions made to this Health and Safety Plan will be noted and dated with notification of updates being disseminated to the CACS Community through the school website, Facebook page, IRIS Alert, and SchoolWorx System. This plan is based on Clearfield County remaining in either the Green or Yellow Phase. Should the county see a reoccurrence to the Red Phase, a return to all instruction being provided through remote learning using a digital platform would commence.

Additional point to note: In erring on the side of caution, at this time all extracurricular activities including sports, field trips, concerts, school family events, and after school activities will be suspended until further notice. Our hope is to gradually reinstitute some of these areas; however renewal of suspended activities will be dependent upon the evaluation of numerous factors including CACS and/or local Covid-19 data and guidance from state and local health and safety authorities.



Facilities Cleaning, Sanitizing, Disinfecting and Ventilation

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| <p>* Cleaning, sanitizing, disinfecting, and ventilating learning spaces, surfaces, and any other areas used by students (i.e., restrooms, drinking fountains, hallways, and transportation)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Classrooms, hallways, restrooms, gym, cafeteria, student lockers, and auxiliary learning areas will be thoroughly cleaned and surface areas wiped with sanitizing/disinfecting solution prior to the start date of August 24. - Cleaning of floors, student desks, bathrooms, doorknobs and any high contact areas will be conducted daily and surfaces wiped with disinfecting solution. -Bathrooms will be cleaned 2x per day. -In addition to air exchange ventilation, exterior doors will be opened each day for a min. of 20 minutes following dismissal to permit the flow of fresh air into the building (weather permitting). -Drinking fountains will be inaccessible until further notice. Students will be encouraged to bring a personal container for water for the school day. - Bottled water will be made available. |

Social Distancing and Other Safety Protocols

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| <p>* Classroom/learning space occupancy that allows for 6 feet of separation among students and staff throughout the day, to the maximum extent feasible</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -All non-essential items/furniture from the classrooms will be removed to provide additional space within the room. Essential teaching material will be divided into needs per specific quarter of the school year and alternately stored or utilized as needed. Classroom rugs will be removed and stored. - Students will be seated at individual desks which will be arranged all facing one direction with the maximum separation possible. -Collaborative and/or student learning groupings will be restricted until further notice. -When feasible, student desk privacy screens will be utilized to mitigate the spread of respiratory droplets and germs. -Staff will maintain social distancing standards among students during school hours. |
| <p>* Restricting the use of cafeterias and other congregate settings, and serving meals in alternate settings such as</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Upon arrival in the classroom and prior to breakfast, hand sanitizer will be used by students/staff . Teachers will wear disposable gloves to |

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| <p>classrooms</p> <p>* Hygiene practices for students and staff including the manner and frequency of hand-washing and other best practices</p> <p>* Posting signs, in highly visible locations, that promote everyday protective measures, and how to stop the spread of germs</p> <p>* Handling sporting activities consistent with the CDC</p> | <p>serve breakfast items which will be individually wrapped or boxed. There will be no individual touching of items by students for selection.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - All students/staff will wash hands prior to lunch. -Lunch sessions will be divided into smaller groupings (max. of 35 students). Additional tables will be utilized to permit adequate spacing between students with students being assigned to seats and facing one direction. Lunch starting and ending times will be staggered to permit the cleaning/sanitizing of tables between lunch periods. -A sneeze guard will be installed in the serving area. Cafeteria workers will wear masks and disposable gloves during all stages of food prep and service. To restrict individual student contact, students will be served a tray that is complete with food, utensils, and milk. -Designated social distancing will be clearly marked on the floor for lunch line tray pick up and return <p>-Students will receive instruction on proper hand washing technique and use of paper towels to turn off water and open doors. No touch garbage cans will be readily available. Instruction and review of best hygiene practices for covering coughs, sneezes, and social distancing will be presented to all students and reviewed throughout the school year.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Teachers will establish times (other than lunchtime) for student hand-washing (min. 2x) according to their daily schedules. -Hand sanitizer will be available at all times in all classrooms, learning areas and auxiliary areas. <p>-Signage on social distancing, hand washing, covering coughs and sneezes and germ prevention will be posted in the foyer, cafeteria, classrooms, restrooms, and hallways.</p> <p>-Sporting events are suspended until further notice.</p> <p>-Recess periods will be held outdoors when weather permits and in the gym on other days. To provide higher mitigation, student groupings will</p> |

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| <p><u>Considerations for Youth Sports</u> for recess and physical education classes</p> | <p>be small with much discussion and emphasis on keeping a wide “personal space” between you and others.</p> |
| <p>Limiting the sharing of materials among students</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Families/Students will receive a list of items/supplies each student will need to bring with them to school. In addition to the typical school supplies students will be requested to bring hand sanitizer, kleenex, and a container of disinfecting wipes for their personal use. Each student will have an individually labeled container/pouch/box to store their personal items. -Sharing of any supplies will be extremely limited. Technology such as laptops/tablets will be utilized on a per student assigned basis as much as possible and cleaned frequently throughout the school day. Technology or any item which must be used by more than one student, will be thoroughly cleaned/sanitized after each use and prior to storage at the end of the school day. |
| <p>Staggering the use of communal spaces and hallways</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Upon arrival following temp./health check at the entrance, students will report directly to their classroom. End of day homeroom/activity period is suspended until further notice. Staggered Dismissal will commence immediately following 8th period classes. - Schedules for students in Gr. 5-12 will be established to limit the movement from one classroom to another as much as possible. -When class bell changes do occur, all Gr. 5-12 students will not exit classrooms at the same time, but in a staggered schedule. -Additional time between class changes will be built into the schedule to allow for a staggering of students by both class and number of students in the hallways and at lockers. -Locker assignment will not be by grade, but in mixed grade groupings to further restrict and limit possibility of interaction among larger groups of students accessing one area of lockers at a time. - Hallway restroom use restricted to one occupant at a time. |

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| <p>Adjusting transportation schedules and practices to create social distance between students</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Parent drop off of students will not begin until 7:40AM. Pick up of students will begin at 2:35PM. -Parent drop-off /pickup procedure will follow the same protocol for morning and afternoon. -Only ONE vehicle may be in the drop off/pickup area at a time. -Students will wear masks while entering or exiting the building. - Families may not congregate in the school parking lot during drop off or pick up times. |
| <p>Limiting the number of individuals in classrooms and other learning spaces, and interactions between groups of students</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Schedules will be developed to minimize movement among teachers and classrooms as much as possible for students in grades 5-12 . Students in K-12 will remain in their classrooms for all classes and activities except lunch and recess. -Classrooms are restricted to a max#. of 25. Kindergarten is restricted to a max.# of 15. |

Monitoring Student and Staff Health

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| <p>* Monitoring students and staff for symptoms and history of exposure</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Temperature Checks will occur daily upon arrival for all staff and students. -Parents/ Staff will be provided with a health checklist to assist in monitoring for any Covid-19 symptoms or history of exposure. -Parents/Staff will be required to report any possibility of Covid-19 symptoms/history of exposure to the office prior to arrival for the school day. -Perfect Attendance goals will not be promoted during the 2020-2021 school year. -Parents will be advised to err on the side of caution and keep students home who are exhibiting any signs of illness. -Staff will be instructed on recognizing signs of illness and will monitor student health within the classroom. |
| <p>* Isolating or quarantining students, staff, or visitors if they</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Any staff member or student who has a temperature of 100.4 or higher |

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| <p>* Protecting students and staff at higher risk for severe illness</p> | <p>- Students/staff who are at high risk for severe illness will be given the option of working/schooling from home through use of technology. -Any particular parent requests in regard to student health concerns will be addressed on an individual basis.</p> |
| <p>* Use of face coverings (masks or face shields) by all staff</p> | <p>- All Staff will wear face masks/face shields throughout the school day.</p> |
| <p>* Use of face coverings (masks or face shields) by older students (as appropriate)</p> | <p>UPDATED ON 8/18/20 (student face mask requirements) -All students are required to wear face masks or face shields throughout the school day other than when eating/drinking. Face mask/face shield breaks will be given to students throughout the day. These breaks are to be a maximum of 10 minutes per break.</p> |
| <p>*Visitors, Volunteers, and Student pick –up for appts.</p> | <p>-Visitors and Volunteers will not be permitted inside the school building.</p> <p>-Parents who need to pick up a student during the school day for an appointment will wait for their student in the first enclosed foyer .</p> <p>-Any items being dropped off for the office or for students will be placed in a designated area within the first enclosed foyer.</p> |

