## Harrisonville Classical Christian Academy Covid-19 Protocol 2021-2022 15-point Safety Protocol

- 1. Our schedule will be as planned for a 4 day School week, with a goal of maintaining small groups (10-15) in a classroom if necessary. Masks are not generally mandatory but the school reserves the right to require mask wearing if it affects the safety of the students and staff. Common areas will be used with common sense and distancing as much as possible, when needed.
- 2. Classes will have pre-scheduled restroom times (except for emergencies, of course). Bringing a water bottle is suggested to minimize the use of the water fountain. Lunches will be eaten in the classroom or the commons areas by class if someone in a class has been exposed. All students must bring their own lunches and drinks each day.
- 3. Some interior doors will be propped open to reduce touching of door handles. Exterior doors will be propped open during arrival and dismissal and wiped down.
- 4. Students will remain in one classroom for the duration of the school day to reduce the likelihood of large groups in hallways; teachers will move from class to class to accommodate students, if needed.
- 5. Students and teachers will maintain social distancing guidelines in the classroom to the extent practicable with a goal of achieving groups smaller than Fifteen, (Note: students and teachers are not mandated to wear masks generally because the screening process greatly reduces the likelihood of infection within the school. However, they may be worn if chosen). The only exception to this is if we receive a mandate from our government or exposure is in our school. It is possible we may require teachers and students to wear masks entering and exiting school if necessary for the safety of everyone.
- 6. Parents will be responsible for screening students each day before bringing them to school, addressing the following questions:
  - a. Do they have the common COVID19 symptoms?
    - i. Shortness of breath, dry cough, fever, chills, body aches, diarrhea, vomiting, fatigue, sore throat, headache, loss of smell or taste, congestion or runny nose?
  - b. Have they been exposed to someone who tested positive for COVID19?
  - c. Have they been exposed to someone who exhibited all the symptoms of COVID19 but is awaiting screening, testing, or results of testing?
  - d. Have they had a fever (100 degrees F or higher) even without the other COVID19 symptoms within the past 24 hours?
  - e. Have they been vomiting or exhibiting other signs of a stomach virus within the past 24 hours? Please keep them home if vomiting or if they have a fever. They when must be vomit or fever free for 24 hours (without the use of medication) before they can return to school.
- 7. Students will wash hands with soap and hot water each time they go to the restroom and before eating.

- 8. We will check all students', teachers', and staff members' temperatures before they enter the building. Parents who wish to enter the building will also undergo a temperature check. Those who do not pass the temperature check will not be allowed to enter school. *We ask adults to not enter the building if at all possible for now.*
- 9. All students will use hand sanitizer upon entering and exiting the classroom distributed by the teacher when necessary.
- 10. Common surfaces will be disinfected daily by school staff and volunteers according to CDC guidelines.
- 11. Classrooms will be disinfected daily and more thoroughly towards the end of each week.
- 12. If a student or teacher discovers after having come to school that he or she was previously exposed to someone who tested positive for COVID19, the class will be notified. The classroom will be thoroughly disinfected. That student or teacher will be asked to stay home for 3 days to watch for symptoms.
- 13. If a student or teacher tests positive for COVID19, that classroom's parents will be notified. They will be given the option to continue to send their children to class, unless symptoms appear, or parents may choose to quarantine their child to see if any symptoms appear. At the first sight of symptoms parents are asked to keep their children at home. Additionally, the classroom will be disinfected before being used again according to CDC guidelines. The teacher or student will be asked to remain at home for 10-14 days from the onset of symptoms. After the 10-14 day period the Teacher or student with Covid will be asked to test negative two times before returning to school. Home test kits from CVS or Walgreens are acceptable. Or come with a note from a doctor stating they are cleared.
- 14. If we have a positive case within the school the other students will be required to wear their masks coming into and going out of the building, or sitting in large groups.
- 15. Parents who are not in agreement with their child wearing a mask for a temporary amount of time have the option to keep their child at home during the "at risk" period depending on the circumstances within the classroom and school. *HCCA may adjust protocols at anytime to address specific needs and circumstances to protect the health and safety of those in the school environment.*

**Acceptable Face coverings** The following may be worn when asked to wear a face covering: Cloth and or disposable with the ear band, transparent/clear face coverings that cover the nose and mouth. Unacceptable face coverings are scarves, bandana's, pulling up the shirt or mesh coverings.

Please always notify the Head of School if you or your child tests positive for COVID19 or you know of exposure. We will do our best to keep students and their families healthy and safe. We will do our best to get schoolwork to any student who needs to stay home. Parents will be responsible to make sure that the student gets their work completed while at home.

HCCA reserves the right to change face covering requirements for the health and safety of HCCA students, families and staff.

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