

# WVCA School Reopening Plan

## Overview

As the new school year approaches, and schools are evaluating State and local guidance for reopening in response to COVID-19, WVCA Preschool through 8th grade is committed to transparent communication with families as we develop our plan of reopening SEP 8, 2020. While State and local guidelines are defined as guidance, we are committed to applying guidance and regulations for a safe school year, as well as filter that guidance for the logical application to our small private school experience. We hope this document serves as both our plan of reopening, as well as a window to our philosophical approach that values parent choice and informed decision making.

## Mission

WVCA Preschool through 8th Grade exists to provide a Christ, family, and child focused school community committed to the core values of Safety, Education, and Environment.

## Vision

WVCA Preschool through 8th Grade is committed to creating a school atmosphere that balances sound health and safety practices founded by guidance and regulations while balancing the prioritization of our student's mental health, social wellness, and access to both a quality education, and an authentic childhood experience.

## Guidance Considerations & WVCA Applications

COVID-19 Guidance and Regulations have been provided by National, State, County, and City agencies. All guidance directs decision makers to refer to local agencies for the most appropriate implementation and planning decisions. Please refer to the links listed in our **Resources** below to access specific documents and guidance.

Item	Guidance & Regulations	WVCA Application
<p><b>Instructional Scheduling</b></p>	<p>Schools must determine adopting scheduling models that include rotations, blended learning, and distance learning models aligned with guidance to ensure physical distancing, and limiting large numbers of students on campus at one time.</p>	<p>Low teacher to child ratios allow for WVCA Preschool through 8th grade to accommodate students onsite Monday-Friday, and offer before- and after-school Cougar Club Child Care.</p>
<p><b>Physical Distancing</b></p>	<p>Schools are to ensure physical distancing modifications to limit the probability of exposure to COVID-19 through the transmission of droplets to the eyes, nose, and mouth between students in close proximity, with guidance of 6ft and/or furniture/physical barriers.</p>	<p>WVCA will provide classroom settings that promote physical distancing with furniture/barrier, desk and classroom layout spacings.</p> <p>WVCA will teach the importance of physical distancing partnering with students for compliance inside the classroom and on the playgrounds.</p> <p>WVCA will find opportunities to extend the classroom setting outdoors.</p> <p>WVCA will provide physical distancing for drop-off and pick-up procedures utilizing our large facility.</p>
<p><b>Health Screening</b></p>	<p>Schools are recommended to develop health screenings at arrival and periodically throughout the school day.</p>	<p>WVCA will do visual health checks upon arrival, any student or staff appearing to have fever or symptoms of COVID-19 will have a temperature check.</p> <p>WVCA will not take all student and staff temperatures upon arrival, but will periodically</p>



<p><b>Health Screening cont.</b></p>		<p>and randomly take temperatures 2-3 times per week per class.</p> <p>WVCA encourages all staff and students to pre-screen at home, and stay home with fever or symptoms of COVID-19.</p>
<p><b>Cloth Face Coverings/Face Masks</b></p>	<p>Children under the age of 12 are not required to wear face coverings in San Joaquin County or the City of Tracy.</p> <p>Teachers and School Staff are recommended by the CA Dept of Ed to wear face coverings for self-protection, but not required.</p>	<p>Face coverings are not required, and the wearing of face coverings is at the discretion of teachers, school staff, parents, and children.</p> <p>Our school community will respect and protect the choices of the individual, and will work to establish an inclusive mindset to avoid conflict between differences of opinion on campus.</p>
<p><b>Cleaning, Sanitizing, and Disinfecting</b></p>	<p>Schools are guided to increase cleaning, sanitizing, and disinfecting of shared materials, high-touch surfaces, and playgrounds with guidance from the CDC cleaning frequency table.</p>	<p>WVCA is an identified participant in the Healthy Schools Act and will use cleaning supplies approved by the EPA.</p> <p>WVCA staff and custodial services will clean, sanitize, and disinfect as recommended.</p> <p>Hand Sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol will be available to students and staff, and handwashing will be promoted as the primary hygiene method to reduce the spread of germs.</p>
<p><b>Meal Service</b></p>	<p>Schools are recommended to continue to provide meal service, utilize more tables to spread children out, stagger meal times, provide individual portions, wear gloves at serving and preparing, and implement outdoor meal</p>	<p>WVCA already implements staggered lunch service times that adequately ensure spacing, and will include outdoor meal service.</p> <p>WVCA already serves</p>

<b>Meal Service cont.</b>	times as weather allows.	individual meals, and will begin to use individual disposable plates, cups, and plastic wear.
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### Plan for Anticipated Changes & Parent Communication Platforms

COVID-19 is a rapidly changing, and fluid situation, and we anticipate having to adapt to changing regulations. The following items are proactive approaches to addressing anticipated changes.

Item	Issue	WVCA Response
<b>Changing Regulations &amp; Potential School Closures</b>	Regulations are expected to have a progression of updates, as well as, the potential for backward movement in the case of increased cases of COVID-19 locally, or in the case of a required short or long term school closure in response to COVID-19 on campus.	<p>WVCA K-8 will implement a virtual classroom platform through <i>Schoology</i>, a distance learning and parent communication platform that will already be in place as well as integrated into the curriculum.</p> <p>WVCA Preschool-8 is also prepared to offer blended learning models depending on regulation changes.</p> <p>WVCA Preschool will initiate the Preschool Distance Learning program if we are required to be at home for more than 2 Weeks.</p>
<b>Parent Communication</b>	Parents will need to be informed as changes are made, and program operations adjust to meet the changing regulations.	<p>WVCA K-8 will utilize the <i>Schoology</i> parent communication tool that has been adopted school wide to eliminate various communication platforms across grades.</p> <p>WVCA Preschool will utilize direct email, the preschool homepage, and social media accounts for announcements and changes.</p>

## Resources

City of Tracy COVID-19 Information Page <https://www.ci.tracy.ca.us/?navid=10802>

San Joaquin County Public Health Services COVID-19 Information  
<http://www.sjcphs.org/coronavirus.aspx>

CA DEPT of Education School Reopening Guidance <https://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/he/hn/coronavirus.asp>

CDC School Settings Guidance  
<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/index.html>