



Reopening the Lower School

Blake Lindner Thompson Early Childhood Learning Center
Edyth B. Lindner Lower Elementary School
Founders' Campus Upper Elementary School



Cincinnati Hills
Christian Academy

**But those who hope in the Lord will
renew their strength... They will soar
on wings like eagles.**



Isaiah 40:31

CHCA Response to Ohio's Color-Coded Advisory System

In School
5 Days a Week



Remote Learning
5 Days a Week



Level 2 Orange

The school is open 5 days a week with face coverings and social distancing being strongly encouraged in KPrep - grades 6. Face coverings for PK students are at the preference of the child's parents.

Level 3 Red

The school continues to stay open 5 days a week with face coverings and social distancing required at all times for grades 4-6 and strongly encouraged in grades KPrep-3 in order to follow all current health orders from the state. Face coverings for PK students are at the preference of the child's parents.

Level 4 Purple

The State of Ohio may close the school and we shift to Remote Learning until we are permitted to re-open.

Lower School Learning Options

These options are offered at EBL and Upper E, but not at ECLC.

In Person Learning Option

Remote Learning Option (available by quarter, must choose by 7/20)

I'm Healthy	I'm Sick or Quarantined	Full Remote Option
Student attends classes in person 5 days a week.	Student transitions temporarily to remote learning until healthy enough to return to school or quarantine completed. This will be asynchronous and synchronous learning via Zoom. There are 360 degree SWIVL cameras in every classroom to help capture teaching from anywhere in the room.	Student opts to learn remotely 5 days a week. This is a quarterly option. Classes will be a combination of asynchronous and synchronous via Zoom, dependent upon the teacher and the content each day.. There are 360 degree SWIVL cameras in every classroom to help capture teaching from anywhere in the room. Remote learning students can participate in all extracurricular activities.

ECLC (PK2 – PK4)
Lower School (Kprep - Grade 6)
Safety Protocol

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Enhanced Cleaning

- Increased cleaning of high-touch zones will occur throughout the day.
- Nightly cleaning will follow The Ohio Department of Education guidelines.
- Additional hand sanitizing stations throughout rooms and halls.
- Students will have increased opportunities for hand washing throughout the day.



Face Covering

Our goal is to protect each other while keeping the school open. We protect each other by wearing face coverings. Face coverings help us to accomplish this goal.



- We will follow The Ohio Department of Education guidelines for wearing face coverings at school.
- Faculty/Staff will wear face coverings at all times, unless alone in their classroom.
- Face masks, neck gaiters, and face shields are acceptable. Please refrain from wearing masks that could be a distraction to the learning environment.

Entering the Buildings

- Parents are expected to take their child's temperature at home prior to coming to school. If your child is fever and symptom free for 48 hours without medication, he/she may come to school.
- As an additional safety precaution to keep our school open, CHCA has purchased Rapid Screen Access Control Thermometers (RSACT) that will be installed at each door entrance.
- All adults and students will be required to walk through the temperature check stations as they enter the building. If the machine reads a temperature of 100 degrees or greater, a message will be sent immediately to the school nurse for further assessment. All adults entering the building will also sign-in using the normal protocol.
- Staff will be stationed at the entrances to walk the student(s) with a high-temperature to the nurse as discreetly as possible.



Volunteers, Visitors, and Guests

We value our parent volunteers, visitors, and guests. However, in order to keep our school open, we must reduce the number of people entering the building at this time.

- Anyone entering the building will be expected to follow The Ohio Department of Education guidelines for wearing face coverings and having their temperature taken.
- Volunteers will not be working with students. A limited number of volunteers will be used in the building and must be approved by the building principals.
- If volunteering or visiting, all adults will be required to wear face coverings while in the building to stay consistent with the policy for staff.

Mass Gatherings and Field Trips

- Per The Ohio Department of Education guidelines for school reopening, field trips need to be rescheduled or canceled throughout the first semester of the 2020-2021 school year. These events will be reviewed for the second semester.
- Mass gatherings (assemblies, chapels, etc.) must be small group or remote.

Water Bottle Procedure



- All students are asked to provide a personal water bottle marked with their name.
- Drinking fountains will only be used to refill student water bottles.

Before and After School Care

- Before and After School Care will continue to be provided. See specific building plans for more details.



Cafeteria and Recess

- Students will eat in the classrooms most of the time throughout the first semester of school. *Preschool students will always eat in their classroom.
- Building principals will provide the opportunity for KPrep – Grade 6 students to eat in the cafeteria on a scheduled rotation.
- In order to limit contact, there will be no visitors for lunch at this time.
- Recess will be offered each day of school.
- Students will be stationed at recess by classroom cohorts/homerooms. This will apply to both outdoor and indoor recess.



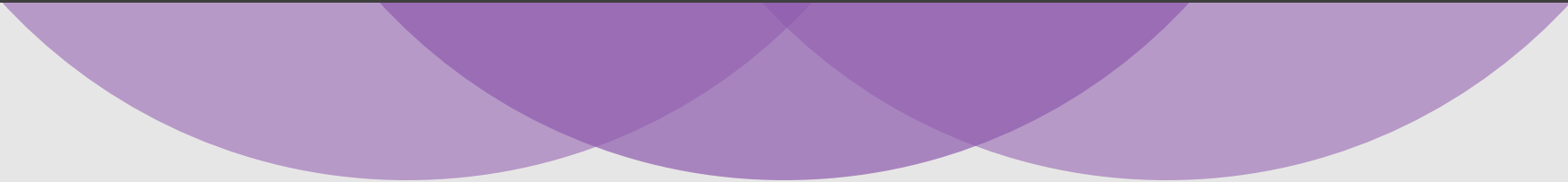
Carpool/Drop-Off/Pick-Up

- Curbside drop-off and pick-up is preferred. Parents that wish to come into the building must wear a face covering and walk through the RSACT scanner. See building specific guidelines. * Preschool students are strongly encouraged to be dropped off, but parents must come into the building for pick-up.
- Students will be socially distanced during carpool to the best of our ability. See building specific guidelines for face covering procedures.





COVID Positive Protocol

- By law, a 1A classified virus is contact traced by the Hamilton County Health Department. This is managed by the HCHD, not CHCA. Should the HCHD contact your family, your child will be required to quarantine for a minimum of 10 days with the last 48 hours being symptom free. Students can attend class remotely through Zoom during the quarantine.
 - If a fever is identified while entering the building or during the school day, the student will be assessed by the school nurse in a designated location within the building and parents will be notified.
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Blake Lindner Thompson Early Childhood Learning Center

Edyth B. Lindner Elementary School Procedures

Principal: Sandy Breitholle

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Entering/Exiting ECLC

- **Morning Arrival:** Students will enter the ECLC doors which are located near the road to the Montgomery Community Church.
- Parents are strongly encouraged to use the curbside drop-off.
- Parents who enter the building must wear face coverings, have their temperature taken, and adhere to social distancing.

- **PM Carpool:** Parents must come into the building for pick-up each day. Upon entering the building, they must wear face coverings, have their temperature taken, and remain socially distanced at all times.



Entering/Exiting EBL

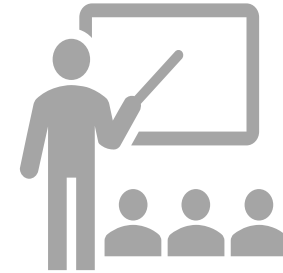
- **Morning Arrival:** Students will enter the building at one of two locations: *Cars and Buses* will enter at the Lower Circle Doors between 7:30 a.m. - 7:45 a.m. *Buses* only between 7:45 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. *Cars* only will enter the Front Circle Doors between 7:45 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.
- Curbside drop-off is strongly encouraged to minimize guests in the building.
- **PM Carpool:** When weather permits, students will socially distance while standing in assigned pick-up areas: Front Circle, Lower Circle, and along the road to MCC. Some students will wait inside the building until there is space for them to join outside. When weather does not cooperate, students will wait inside, socially distanced and will be called to their designated pick-up area.

Before School Procedures at ECLC

Keeping students safe by following CDC guidelines, minimizing traffic flow in halls, and to reduce gathering at cubby areas.



ECLC students may enter the building beginning at 7:30 a.m. for morning care. Students will be taken directly to their classrooms. School begins at 8:30 a.m.



Students arriving 7:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. will be taken to their classrooms.

Before School Procedures at EBL

Keeping students safe by following CDC guidelines, minimizing traffic flow in halls, and to reduce gathering at cubby areas.

The outside doors at EBL will be unlocked at 7:30 a.m.

From 7:30 a.m. – 8:00 a.m. students will be escorted to the gym where they will be socially distanced in an area with other students from their classroom cohort. Students may bring a personal item to occupy their attention while they wait.

Between 8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. students will go directly into their classrooms. Staff will be present to help ensure social distancing.

In Class Procedures at ECLC

Our goal is to keep each child safe, while offering the same robust CHCA curriculum and experience you have come to know.

Level 2 Orange

- Students will stay with their classroom group (cohort) throughout the school day as much as possible.
- Class size will follow the mandates from The Ohio Department of Education for Early Learning.
- All staff and visitors wear face coverings when not working alone in the classroom.
- Teachers and staff will monitor release of classes during transitions or at dismissal times.
- Students will eat in their classrooms each day, socially distanced.
- Reduced number of volunteers and guests in the building.
- Recess will be by classroom cohort on the ECLC playground. The equipment will be cleaned between groups.

Level 3 Red

- The Ohio Department of Education states that all students 10 and up are required to wear face coverings at all times. Therefore, students in 3rd grade and below will not be required to wear face coverings at all times, unless parents prefer their children wear them. Outdoor recess is excluded from this guideline.
- All other procedures will be the same as when in orange, with the exception stated above.

Level 4 Purple

- The State of Ohio may close the school and we shift to Remote Learning until we are permitted to re-open.

In Class Procedures at EBL

Our goal is to keep each child safe, while offering the same robust CHCA curriculum and experience you have come to know.

Plexiglass has been approved by the CDC as a substitute for social distancing. Therefore, each classroom will have Plexiglass stations.

Level 2 Orange

- All students are strongly encouraged to wear face coverings, especially when not working in Plexiglass stations.
- All staff and visitors wear face coverings when not working alone in the classroom.
- Teachers and staff will monitor release of classes during transitions or at dismissal times.
- Students will eat in their classrooms most days; however, individual classrooms will have opportunity to eat in the cafeteria on a rotating basis, socially distancing.
- Reduced number of volunteers and guests in the building.
- Recess divided into 4 stations to keep students with their cohort groups.

Level 3 Red

- The Ohio Department of Education states that all students 10 and up are required to wear face coverings at all times. This includes working behind Plexiglass work-stations. Therefore, students in 3rd grade and below will not be required to wear face coverings at all times. However, they are strongly encouraged for grades KPrep-grade 6. Outdoor recess is excluded from this guideline.
- Locker/cubby visitation will be dramatically reduced.
- All other procedures will be the same as when in orange, with the exception stated above.

Level 4 Purple

- The State of Ohio may close the school and we pivot to Remote Learning until we are permitted to re-open.

Recess at ECLC and EBL

Students will be separated into lunch/recess cohorts by homeroom. The goal is to prevent students from overmingling and increasing the possibility of spreading COVID.

Outdoor Recess

- The EBL playground will be divided into 4 stations. Students will play in their cohort group for each recess period. Cohort groups will rotate to a different station each day.
- At ECLC, one class at a time will have recess on their playground.

Indoor Recess

- EBL Students will stay in their classrooms for indoor recess doing appropriate indoor activities.
- ECLC students, one group at a time will have recess in the Piazza.



ECLC/EBL Specials

- EBL: In order to provide the same robust curriculum and educational opportunity for our students, we will continue to have specials each day.
- EBL: Students are strongly encouraged to wear masks when in Orange for these classes and Plexiglass stations have been installed within each room for an additional level of safety.
- EBL: Workstations and shared supplies will be cleaned between classes.
- ECLC: Students will have specials each day in person or within the regular classroom.
- Both ECLC/EBL: Physical Education class will either be held in the gymnasium or the Piazza where there is abundant room for social distancing. When in **Red**, PE activities will focus more on individual fitness and health to minimize the physical contact that some team sports require.
- Both ECLC/EBL: Students will wash hands or use sanitizer before and after PE class.

Music at ECLC and EBL

- ECLC music teacher will hold Music class in the PK classroom.
- EBL Music classes will be held in our EBL cafeteria, which lends itself to greater opportunity for social distancing.
- Face coverings will be strongly encouraged.



Chapel at ECLC and EBL

- ECLC chapel, hosted by Mrs. Breitholle, will be streamed into individual classrooms on Wednesday mornings from 8:40 a.m. – 9:10 a.m.
- EBL chapel will be streamed into individual classrooms on Friday mornings from 8:40 a.m. – 9:10 a.m.
- EBL: Guest speakers from the community including local pastors, CHCA staff, parents, or others will share a message with our students.
- EBL: One class will share a pertinent verse during each chapel service.
- For both ECLC and EBL, chapel videos will be shared on the Virtual ECLC/Lower E webpage to further build a connection between school and home.



After School Care at ECLC and EBL

- PK2 – Grade 3 students who are pre-registered may attend After Care from 3:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
- ECLC After Care students will remain in their cohort groups as much as possible. Students will do small group activities or play outside weather permitting.
- KPrep-Grade 3 After Care will be held in the EBL Gym and Cafeteria. Students will be grouped with their classroom cohorts as much as possible. Students may do homework or bring something from home to do during that time. Students will go outside to play during some portion of the After Care time.



Founders' Campus Upper Elementary School Procedures

Principal: Steve Sideris

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Entering/Exiting UE

- **Morning Arrival:** Students will enter the building at one of two locations: UE front doors or Buckman Commons side doors to reduce traffic and allow for social distancing.
- Dots will be placed on the ground to encourage social distancing.
- **PM Carpool:** Teachers will stagger the release of students to allow for reduced hallway traffic.
- Students will follow The Ohio Department of Education guidelines for face coverings.
- Social distancing will be encouraged as students wait for their car.

Before School Procedures at UE

Keeping students safe by following CDC guidelines, minimizing traffic flow in halls, and to reduce gathering at lockers.



The outside doors at UE will be unlocked at 7:30 a.m.



The classroom doors will open at 7:45 a.m.



Students will report directly to their homeroom/first bell class without visiting lockers/cubbies. Teachers will release a small number of students at a time to visit lockers/cubbies so that social distancing can be achieved.



Students arriving before 7:45 a.m. will be asked to sit patiently near their homeroom/first bell class on dots placed 6-feet apart to allow for social distancing. Students may bring a personal item to occupy their attention while they wait.

In Class Procedures at UE

Our goal is to keep each child safe, while offering the same robust CHCA curriculum and experience you have come to know.

Plexiglass has been approved by the CDC as a substitute for social distancing. Therefore, each classroom will have Plexiglass stations.

Level 2 Orange

- Students are strongly encouraged to wear face coverings, especially when not working within Plexiglass work-stations.
- All staff and visitors wear face coverings when not working alone in the classroom.
- Students have a staggered release for class dismissal and lockers/cubbies. For example, 5 students released, wait 30 seconds, 5 more released, etc.
- Students will eat in the cafeteria on a rotation that allows for Plexiglass stations and social distancing.
- Reduced number of volunteers and guests in the building.
- Recess divided into 4 stations keeping students in cohorts.

Level 3 Red

- The Ohio Department of Education states that all students ages 10 and up are required to wear face coverings at all times. This includes working behind Plexiglass workstations. Outdoor recess is excluded from this guideline.
- Locker/cubby visitation will be dramatically reduced.
- All other procedures will be the same as when in **Orange**, with the exception stated above.

Level 4 Purple

- The State of Ohio may close the school and we shift to Remote Learning until we are permitted to re-open.

Technology/Art/Chinese Specials

- In order to provide the same robust curriculum and educational opportunity for our students, we will continue to have specials each day.
- Students are strongly encouraged to wear masks when in **Orange** for these classes and Plexiglass stations have been installed within each room for an additional level of safety.
- Workstations and shared supplies will be cleaned between classes.



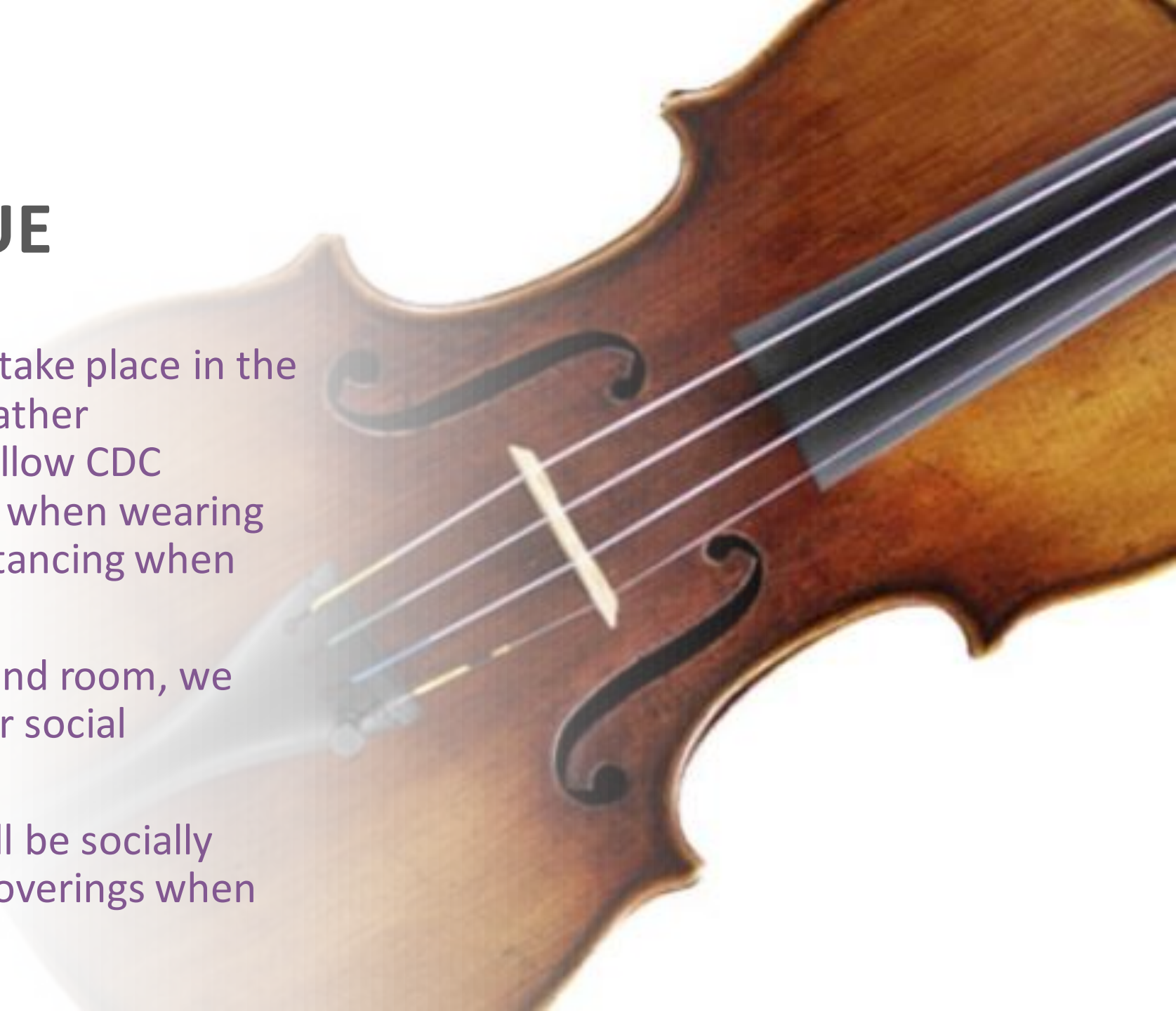


PE at UE

- Physical Education class will either be held in the gymnasium where there is abundant room for distancing or will be held outside, weather permitting. When in **Red**, PE activities will focus more on individual fitness and health to minimize the physical contact that some team sports require.
- Students will wash hands or use sanitizer before and after PE and will wear a face covering when transitioning within the building when in **Red**, and encouraged to do so, when not.

Music Classes at UE

- **Vocal Music:** Vocal music will take place in the gym, cafeteria, or outside (weather permitting). The school will follow CDC guidelines of 6-foot distancing when wearing face coverings and 10-foot distancing when not.
- **Band:** Given the size of the band room, we have enough space to allow for social distancing.
- **String Orchestra:** Students will be socially distanced and will wear face coverings when in **Red**.



Recess at UE

Students will be separated into lunch/recess cohorts by homeroom or the class they are in immediately before or after this time of the day. The goal is to prevent students from over-mingling and increasing the possibility of spreading COVID.

Outdoor Recess

Station 1: Turf and Swing Area

Station 2: Blacktop Playground Area

Station 3: Playset and Driveway Area

Station 4: Outdoor Chapel/Promise Path/Outdoor Classroom Area

Indoor Recess

Station 1: Movie Room

Station 2: Gym

Station 3: Whole Class/Camp Activity Room

Station 4: Arts and Crafts Room

Chapel at UE

For years, we have been trying to think of ways to make our chapel experience more intimate and impactful for our students. With mass gathering guidelines in place, we now have the opportunity to try some of these ideas!

- This year chapel will be a smaller more-intimate experience that will take place within the classroom.
- Chapel will occur every Wednesday from 9:05 a.m. to approximately 9:45 a.m.
- Chapel will include a video introduction from a weekly guest speaker with scripture and questions to discuss in small groups.
- Worship music will be included as part of the video presentation.
- Chapel videos will be shared on the Virtual UE webpage to further build a connection between school and home.



Eagle Zone: After School Care at UE

- After School Care will continue to be an option for parents.
- We will follow The Ohio Department of Education guidelines so that After School Care aligns with procedures throughout the rest of the school day.





We absolutely cannot wait to begin the school year!

See you very soon.

