

July 31, 2020

Dear YES Prep Families,

We hope you and your family are continuing to enjoy a safe and healthy summer.

We want to remind you that the **first day of school for the 2020-21 school year is Monday, Aug. 24.** *This date applies to all campuses—including partnership campuses. All students will learn online for at least the first four weeks of school with live and recorded class instruction, daily schedules, assignments and personalized support for every student.

Campuses are tentatively set to reopen on Monday, Sept. 21—as conditions permit. We will continuously assess conditions and work closely with state, local and health officials to determine if additional online-only learning is required. We maintain the option provided by TEA to request up to four additional weeks of online learning through Oct. 19 if needed.

When campuses reopen, all students have the option to attend in person or continue learning virtually. YES Prep will offer devices and/or Wi-Fi to all students in grades K – 12 who need them, whether they're learning virtually or in-person. Due to the overwhelming demand for devices across the country, we will distribute devices as we continue to receive them throughout the first semester. High school students will receive a YES Prep device from their home campus the week of August 10 and distribution for elementary and middle school families, who indicated they need a device, will follow the week of August 17. Campuses will announce more distribution details to families in the coming weeks.

Re-enrollment

If you haven't already done so, all new and returning families should complete the re-enrollment process to ensure we have the most accurate information to best serve all our students and families. Completing re-enrollment also holds your student's spot at YES Prep for this upcoming 2020-21 school year. More detailed instructions on how to complete re-enrollment can be found in our [Reopening Guide for Families](#) and at yesprep.org/reopening. *Please note this does NOT apply to our Spring Branch Partnership Schools: YES Prep Northbrook MS and YES Prep Northbrook HS.

Reopening Plans and FAQs

To learn more about our plans and protocols for the 2020-21 school year, including health and safety measures to help keep the virus out of our schools, see our [Frequently Asked Reopening Questions](#). More detailed information on our learning program options and re-enrollment instructions can be found in our [Reopening Guide for Families](#) and at yesprep.org/reopening. And see our latest updated YES Prep SY20-21 Academic Calendar [here](#).

If you missed it, please watch YES Prep Superintendent Mark DiBella's video message for you about these latest updates, which you can view [here](#).



We are here to help in any way we can. If you have a question, concern or an urgent need for your family, we want to know. Please inform your campus leadership when they reach out if you need any assistance with re-enrollment or contact your campus from 9am-12pm Monday-Friday.

We appreciate your patience as we navigate fluctuating guidelines and recommendations from state and local officials regarding the start of the upcoming school year.

We will share additional information as soon as we can and will continue to update our website, yesprep.org/covid19, with the latest developments and resources to community services.

Thank you

**For students at partnership schools in Aldine and Spring Branch ISD, the first day of school will be August 24, 2020. However, we continue working with school district officials on plans for when in-person instruction will begin for our students.*