

August 14, 2020

Dear YES Prep Families,

We hope this message finds you and your family safe and well. With the first day of school fast approaching we wanted to provide you with some more updates in preparation of the new school year. Thank you for taking the time to read this message in its entirety. Please know that YES Prep remains committed to supporting students and families and continues to be laser focused on safety and maximizing student learning as we plan ahead for the 2020-2021 school year.

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- partnership campuses included. 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.

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

Back to School Family Resources

We are so excited to start the 20-21 school year and we want to make sure you have everything you need to set your child up for success. To that end, we will be doing the following things as we countdown to the start of the school year on August 24, 2020:

- Host a virtual Reignited YES Welcome Event with live access to your campus leaders. Be on the lookout for an invitation and mark your calendar so you can participate and get your questions answered. All events will be recorded and made available on our website if you cannot attend.
- Provide training on the tools your child will be using to engage in online learning. The first of several all new Family Academies will focus on your child's Learning Management System or LMS. You can find the links to the elementary (K-2) family training and to the secondary (6-12) family training [here](#).
- Send out daily tips and reminders on social media about Back to School starting Monday, August 17! We know there is a lot happening, so we want to be sure you and your child are fully prepared with the resources and tools needed to start school on Monday, August 24th.

Device Distribution

Our first week of device distribution was a success and distribution continues at various campuses next week, starting Monday, August 17. YES Prep will offer devices and/or Wi-Fi to all students in grades K – 12 in need, whether they're learning virtually or in-person (when we reopen campuses). Please complete [this survey](#), if your student is in need of a device. Distribution for High school students, who indicate they need a device on the survey received a YES Prep device from their home campus the week of August 10. Distribution for elementary and middle school families, who indicate they need a device on the survey will receive a YES Prep device from their home campus the week of August 17.



Due to the overwhelming demand for devices across the country, we will distribute devices as we continue to receive them throughout the first semester to achieve 1:1 for ALL students. Campus-specific distribution details are being announced by campuses via social media, campus websites, and calls. If you have any specific questions, please call your campus front office number Monday – Friday between the hours of 9 AM – 12 PM. Again, if your student is in need of a device to complete virtual learning, please complete this [survey](#).

Legacy Community Health Services

Legacy Community Health will continue to provide both healthcare and behavioral health services to all students and families for the 2020-2021 school year.

Behavioral Health: Tele-Counseling has been available throughout the summer and will continue through the school year with Legacy therapists.

Pediatric and Family Healthcare: Starting August 24th, 2020, Legacy clinics will physically open at 4 regional hub sites for both curbside quick care and in-person pediatric well-child appointments and vaccine care. Clinics will be open to all YES Prep families at the following YES Prep campuses:

- **YES Prep Gulfton Secondary**
 - 6565 DeMoss
 - Houston, TX 77074
- **YES Prep Southeast Secondary**
 - 353 Crenshaw Rd.
 - Houston, TX 77034
- **YES Prep North Forest Secondary**
 - 6602 Winfield Road
 - Houston, TX 77050
- **YES Prep White Oak Secondary**
 - 5620 West Tidwell
 - Houston, TX 77091

For both behavior and clinic appointments, please call 281-628-2050 or visit www.LegacyCommunityHealth.Org

Meals Service Survey Reminder

YES Prep is continuing its commitment to provide nutritious meals to all students this school year whether they are learning virtually or in person. YES Prep's Child Nutrition Department is asking for all parents to complete the [2020-2021 Virtual Learning Meals Service Survey](#) in order to best serve students and families during this new school year. The survey will end on Friday, September 4 and responses will help with planning and meal distribution efforts.

Beginning August 24, meals will continue to be available for pick up every Monday at all non-partnership YES Prep campuses starting 9 AM - 1 PM until further notice. Partnership families can access meal services at their district campus (Aldine or Spring Branch), or, families can choose to access the YES Prep Meal Service.

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 2020-2021 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](https://www.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 2020-2021 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](https://www.yesprep.org/reopening). And see our latest updated YES Prep School Year 2020-2021 Academic Calendar [here](#).

We appreciate your patience as we navigate these unprecedented and fluctuating circumstances. We will continue to monitor guidelines and recommendations from state and local officials and we will continue to update our website, [yesprep.org/covid19](https://www.yesprep.org/covid19), with the latest developments and resources to community services.

We look forward to welcoming our students back online on August 24!

Thank you