

September 25, 2020

Dear YES Prep Families,

We hope this message finds you safe and well. YES Prep is so excited to welcome our first group of students back to in-person learning on campuses next week and we're especially excited to welcome our elementary students to their first day of school on a YES Prep campus EVER! The YES Prep team has been hard at work preparing for the return of students, implementing procedures on campuses to ensure a safe environment conducive to learning as our students transition from online learning at home to in-person learning at school over the next several weeks.

As a reminder, the first day of in-person learning at school is now **next Tuesday, September 29** for students in **elementary and a limited number of students in grades 6-12 who selected and confirmed the In-Person at School program option via the YES Prep Program Survey**. *This change in date was adjusted to account for the teacher training days and family orientations delayed by Tropical Storm Beta.

For all other students, we're excited to continue seeing you online or in person over the next couple of weeks if you chose/choose the In Person at School program option. For those choosing in-person learning, please refer to the list below to see the reopening in person timeline.

In Person Reopening Timeline

- **Beginning Tuesday, September 29:** Elementary students and limited number of students grades 6-12
- **Beginning Monday, October 5:** Students in transitional grades 6, 9 & 12
- **Beginning Tuesday, October 20:** Students in grades 7, 8, 10 & 11

*Thank you to all the families of students in Group One (elementary K-2) and Group Two (Students in Grades 6, 9, and 12) for completing your Program Option Survey! Students in Phase **Three (Grades 7, 8, 10, and 11)**, your deadlines to complete the Program Option Survey is **Sunday, October 4!** In order to complete your learning program selection survey you will need to login to [Skyward Family Access Center](#). For instructions to complete survey click [here](#).

Reignited In Person: Are You Ready for In-Person Learning?

To assist families in preparing for a smooth transition to in-person learning at school, YES Prep has created the [Reignited In Person webpage](#) on our website. This page outlines all the information and protocols you should know for a successful transition back to campuses starting next week including an *In-Person Learning Readiness Checklist*. Please take some time to review each item in this checklist below and visit the Reignited In Person webpage before your student's first day of in-person learning on campus. You can also access a printable version of the checklist here: [Elementary](#) / [Secondary](#).



In-Person Readiness Checklist

Step	Details and Guidance		
1. Complete Daily Health Check	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Complete the Daily Health Check in Skyward online or mobile before leaving home for school. Skyward Access / Instructions• If the answer to any question is YES, your student must stay home, and you should notify your school and healthcare provider.• A student who must remain off campus will shift to online learning at home if they feel well for schoolwork.		
2. Prepare Materials	<table border="0"><tr><td>Elementary<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fully charged device with charger• Headphones• Mask• Water bottle• Backpack with supplies• Car/bus rider tag</td><td>Secondary<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fully charged laptop with charger• Headphones• Novels or workbooks• Mask• Water bottle• Backpack with supplies• Student ID</td></tr></table>	Elementary <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fully charged device with charger• Headphones• Mask• Water bottle• Backpack with supplies• Car/bus rider tag	Secondary <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fully charged laptop with charger• Headphones• Novels or workbooks• Mask• Water bottle• Backpack with supplies• Student ID
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3. Prepare for School Arrival	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bus riders - put on mask, use sanitizer and follow social distancing seating• Car riders - provide extra time for temperature check and to put on mask before exiting the car		
4. Follow Arrival Procedures	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Be prepared for contactless temperature check every morning in the drop off/carpool lines• Continue social distancing while on campus		

Student and Family Orientations for In Person Learning

A reminder for families who have selected **YES Prep In Person at School**, all schools will be providing opportunities to participate in orientation sessions to learn about the Health & Safety expectations on campus, what you should do at home in order to keep your student safe, and what to expect in an academic day. Please refer to your schools' website and social media accounts for more details coming soon.

Legacy Community Health COVID Testing

We are excited to share that all Legacy School-Based Health Clinics are now open and offering telemedicine, curbside, and in-person visits to YES Prep students and siblings. COVID-19 testing is also available for symptomatic students and siblings (as testing supplies remain available). To schedule an appointment, call 281-628-2050.

Advisory Lessons for Hispanic Heritage Month

At YES Prep, we believe that it is critical to support your student not only academically, but socially and emotionally. As we navigate online learning at home or in-person learning at school, emotional care will continue to be important as we support one another and our students. Social and Emotional Learning (SEL) is the process of developing self-awareness and interpersonal skills that are vital for school, work, and life success. This year, YES Prep will be providing intentional Social and Emotional programming to all YES Prep students.

One way we are doing so at the secondary level (6-12) is through the implementation of *advisory*. The focus of the advisory lessons during Hispanic Heritage Month will be on celebrating and learning more about Hispanic and Latinx culture and identity. This week, we released Secondary family resources on “Latinx Diaspora” and “Colorism”. Be sure to check them out in the Family Resource Center under [SEL](#).

Progress Reports

Families, Progress Reports will be available in Skyward Family/Student Access on September 30. You will receive a message from Skyward letting you know as soon as they are available.

It is impossible to close this message without saying her name: Breonna Taylor. We acknowledge her life and the injustice that took it and that robbed her family of the justice they deserve. Today, yesterday, and forever. Black people, Black women in particular, deserve justice, deserve to heal, and most importantly deserve to live. YES Prep is committed to continue the fight against racial injustice and police brutality.

We know this has been an unprecedented year filled with challenges and uncertainty but please know, we are with you every step of the way. Please continue visiting our website and following us on social where we'll share any new updates and resources to community services.

Thank you