

## Parent Information During COVID - August 2021:

### Program Operations and Dates:

- All programs will begin on August 26 and will operate on a regular, full day, basis unless otherwise noted on our C.E.S Special Education Calendar.

### Student Health:

- In order to ensure a safe school environment for all students, sick children should not be sent to school. If your child has a fever, sore throat, chills, nauseous/vomiting, or other symptoms consistent with a cold or flu, do not send them to school.
- If your child arrives at school sick or becomes ill during the day you will be contacted by the nurse and asked to pick up your child. If you are not available we will contact someone from your contact list. **It is essential that you only put people on that list who have access to a car and can pick your child up from school.**
- In the event that your child experiences COVID like symptoms in school, they will be taken to a quarantine space by staff and evaluated by our nurse. You will be contacted by the nurse and given further instructions. The nurse may ask that your child get a COVID test and remain out of school until he/she is medically cleared to return.
- If you or a family member is exposed to, or diagnosed with COVID, we ask that you contact your program administrator immediately. We also ask that you not send your child to school until he/she is medically cleared to return.

### Parents, Visitors, Drop Off/Pick Up:

- To limit the amount of people in our buildings we are not allowing visitors to enter the school during the day except for special circumstances. If you think you have a special circumstance you must contact your child's program administrator. The administrator has the final decision making authority with respect to acceptions.
- Should your child have an early dismissal, you are asked to come to the front door and communicate with our receptionist via the intercom. Your child will be brought outside to you.
- You may choose to transport your child to and from school. You are asked to park in one of our visitor parking spots in the front of the building and wait for a staff member to bring your child into the building. You may bring your child to the front of the building and leave them with staff who are already outside so long as you follow all safety rules and procedures.
- All parent meetings and PPTs will be done via phone or other electronic medium.

#### Lunch and Materials:

- School lunch will be provided as usual. Students will eat in their classrooms or in other designated spaces inside or outside of the building. Refrigerators, microwaves and ovens will be limited. We ask that if your child needs a warm or hot lunch that you send it in a thermos or other insulated container. Please stay in contact with your child's teacher if you have individual needs or questions.

#### Masks and PPE:

- All students must wear masks while on the bus and in school. Please contact your child's program administrator if you have concerns about this policy.
- We will provide disposable masks for students who need them but we strongly encourage you to send your child to school with their own personal masks. If possible, please send them in with an extra supply of masks.
- You are welcome to send your child with a face shield. These are not required but are allowable should you choose to send them.
- We also ask that you send a full change of clothes to school.

Communication is critical for all of our safety. We will be sure to let you know if there are any changes to our procedures, policies, or schedules. In turn, we ask that you keep us advised of any problems, concerns, or changes in circumstances. Our goal is to open on August 26 and remain fully open for the entire school year. If we work together, we can achieve this goal.