



CIEN AGUAS INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

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Hello Families of Cien Aguas:

As you know the New Mexico Public Education department has made it mandatory for New Mexico schools to return to in person instruction by April 5th. I apologize for not communicating with you sooner, however we were waiting for final reentry plan approval by NMPED. Late this Tuesday, we were given final approval to move forward with our plan. The following detail reflects all that the instructional leadership team has worked on since we were first notified of the mandate a little over a week ago.

- Starting the week of April 5th, students are scheduled to begin coming to school as a soft re-entry.
- April 5th, only Kindergarten will come to in person instruction.
- April 6th, Kinder, 1st and 2nd grades will come to in person instruction. All other grades will remain at home with either virtual or asynchronous instruction
- Wednesday the 7th, all students will remain at home on virtual or asynchronous instruction.
- April 8th only the 3-5 graders will be at the school; all other students will be on virtual or asynchronous instruction.
- Finally, Friday April 9th, only middle school students grades 6-8 will be at the school for in person instruction. All others will be on virtual or asynchronous instruction.

Monday 3/5	Tuesday 3/6	Wednesday 3/7	Thursday 3/8	Friday 3/9
K only - in person All others will be online or asynchronous.	K-2 only-in person All others will be online or asynchronous.	All students online or asynchronous	3-5 only - in person only All others will be online or asynchronous.	Mid-school in person only All others will be online or asynchronous.

This describes our soft reentry. We ask that you be patient during this time. The purpose of our soft reentry is to enable our students to become accustomed to our new covid safe routines and also allow the teachers time to prepare their classrooms and their curriculum.

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Starting Monday, April 12, we will conduct normal in person instruction as we were pre-pandemic from 8 to 3 on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday. We will hold in person instruction on Wednesday, from 8:00 - 10:00 am, for students who teachers have identified to participate in small group support. These students may change over the next two months and this information will be communicated when this occurs. Students on Wednesday will be by teacher appointment only. All other students will remain at home on Wednesdays for remote instruction and office hours at the discretion of the teacher.

Things to know for our re-entry:

- There will be normal bus service, however, we recommend that you drop off and pick up your students if you can. The bus is typically packed with students and it is difficult to be socially distant.
- Lunch will be served daily in the classrooms. Those who choose to stay home may still pick up their weekly package on Mondays, starting April 5 from 3:30 to 5:30.
- Students will be required to wear masks **at all times** except for when they are eating or drinking.
- It is your option to send your student to school or remain on remote instruction. Once you make your decision, we ask that you remain on your selected form of instruction until the end of the school year. You may go from in-person instruction back to virtual at any time, however you cannot come back from virtual instruction to in person if you have not designated so. Please keep in mind that we need to properly label student seats, material, etc. and it would be very difficult if we allow students to go back and forth.
- During the soft reentry week of April 5th, please send students with minimal school supplies such as a notebook and pencil. The individual teachers will let all students know what they will need for the remaining weeks. We realize that there could be families that simply cannot afford requested school supplies. If you are experiencing a hardship, please email me individually at cbenavidez@cienaguas.org and we will supply items for your student.
- We ask that students bring a water bottle that they may fill during the day. They will not be permitted to drink directly from the water fountains.
- Students will be given breaks and recess during the day, however, in order to prevent cross contamination, they will be **only** allowed to go to the back of the school where they can walk or run around. They will **not** be able to use the playground.
- **Please remember, if your student is feeling ill to keep them at home for the day and call the front office to let them know they will join us online. Once they are feeling better, they will be allowed back to school.**
- Parents or other adults will **not** be allowed into the school building. If you need supplies, materials or if you simply need to speak to any of our staff, call 255-0001 and we will meet you outside. .

Thank you for being patient and understanding. I know there may be more questions and I assure you that the instructional leadership team will continue to work to make sure the reentry is safe and equitable to all students. Additionally, there may be more information that will be sent to you by classroom teachers to address items specific to your child's grade level. If you have specific questions, please feel free to contact me at cbenavidez@cienaguas.org.

Yours in Education
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