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PRESCHOOL

Infants-VPK

RETURN TO SCHOOL PLAN

2020-2021

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Introduction

The goal of Seacoast Christian Academy is to open the school in the safest manner possible for all, while ensuring that our students receive the best educational opportunities possible. The Return to School plan (RTS) was developed with input from all stakeholder groups, along with recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and the Department of Health (DOH).

Additionally, SCA Preschool is in compliance with the CDC, DOH, Department of Children and Families (DCF), and the Early Learning Coalition of Duval (ELC). This presentation provides highlights to parents and guardians with the information they need to make an informed decision regarding their child's education for the start of the 2020-2021 school year.

As we all face the current community health crisis, having a strong parent and school partnership is key to keeping everyone healthy and keeping students on track with academic progress.

School Operations Plan

PHASE 1 REOPENING AUGUST 17, 2020	PHASE 2 REOPENING TBD	PHASE 3 REOPENING TBD
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Staff and students will be health-screened upon entry to school.• Parents are to drop off students outside the front office or VPK only students are dropped off in car line in front of the VPK annex.• Preschool students are not required to wear face masks. Staff will use protective gear while in common areas such as hallways, cafeteria, and the front office. All school assemblies and performances will be suspended.• When possible, students will remain with the same group for the day. Full-time students may combine with groups before 8:00am and after 5:00pm.• Social distancing practices for classes will be followed in common areas such as the playground, cafeteria, and chapel.• School cleaning and sanitation is completed throughout the day, deep cleaning weekly.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Staff and students continue to be health-screened upon entry to school.• Parents will be allowed to walk students to their classroom and drop the student at the classroom door provided they are wearing protective gear.• Staff will use protective gear while in common areas such as hallways, cafeteria, and the front office.• When possible, students will remain with same group for the day. Full-time students may combine with groups before 8:00am and after 5:00pm.• Social distancing practices are eased in common areas such as the cafeteria and chapel.• All school assemblies, performances and sporting events are slowly reinstated, with state/local spectator guidelines.• School cleaning and sanitation is completed throughout the day and deep cleaning weekly.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Health screening is no longer required.• Protective gear is optional.• Parents are will have access to their child's classroom.• School common areas are opened to regular school activities – social distancing is reduced.• Students may move about campus, and share common areas such as the playground and cafeteria.• All school assemblies, performances and sporting events are reinstated.• School cleaning and sanitation is completed throughout the day and deep cleaning weekly.

Preventive Practices

In an effort to protect our students and staff from COVID-19 exposure, we are setting up in-school protocols that clearly communicate the health and safety practices we will be instituting this school year. We ask that families partner with us to help keep kids safe by agreeing to do their part outside of the school day.

At Home Parent/Guardian Expectations:

- Check your child daily for COVID-19 symptoms: fever or chills; sore throat or cough; loss of taste or smell; headache; congestion or runny nose, stomach ache, vomiting or diarrhea.
- Limit exposure in public settings outside of school.
- Reinforce good hygiene at home such as frequent hand-washing, cleaning frequently touched surfaces, using protective gear such as a mask while in public settings.

At School Expectations:

- Staff will complete a health survey each morning and will wear protective gear while in common areas.
- Staff are not required to wear masks inside the classroom unless another staff member enters the room.
- When possible, classes will isolate from other groups of children .
- Students will wash hands often and use hand sanitizer upon entering classrooms.
- Frequent cleaning of surfaces, materials, and toys will take place throughout the day .

School Health Monitoring and Response

Student/Faculty Illness

- If a student /faculty member becomes ill while at school, they will be quarantined and sent home immediately.
- All potential or confirmed cases of COVID-19 will be reported immediately to our health coordinator, and if required to the local health agency (for multiple cases).
- Families will be notified of confirmed COVID-19 cases only, and if their child was in range of exposure.

School Precautions

- Classrooms in which a student/faculty member who becomes ill during the school day will be disinfected.
- Due to FERPA and HIPAA requirements, we cannot share specific information with everyone. Information will be shared on a case-by-case basis to families and students who may have come in contact with a person who has tested positive.
- Students and Parents are asked to respect the privacy of others.
- The school will monitor the daily health conditions on campus, and modifications may be made to our program if required.

First Day of School and “Soft Opening”

- August 17, 2020 is our official 1st day of school.
- We will have a “soft opening” for our families that need care before August 17th. Please contact the front office at 904-421-3900. We will do our very best to accommodate your schedule and allow your child to start before then.

This year we are asking VPK students to bring in a few supplies. This is in an effort to minimize students sharing art materials.

Supply list for VPK students:

Plastic pencil box

2- 8 pack fat crayons

2- 8 pack washable markers

1 pair child’s scissors

Preschool In-Person Learning

- Preschoolers learn best through play based strategies and “hands on” activities. Face to face instruction will take place in the classroom unless otherwise mandated by the Office of Early Learning.
- Teachers will limit small groups to 3-4 students and encourage students to maintain an adequate space between each other. Since preschoolers thrive on social interactions and do not always understand “social distancing”, teachers will review classroom routines daily with emphasis on hygiene, personal space, and staying healthy. Surfaces and materials will be cleaned throughout the day.
- If possible, students will social distance during large group activities such as circle time, snack time, and outside play.

Meet and Greet and Orientation

- We will be contacting you via a phone call to set up a time to visit your child's classroom and meet the teacher
- Only 2 parents and the student are allowed. No siblings or additional adults.
- 30 minute scheduled time slot
- Groups of 2-3 families per session
- Adults are required to wear face masks while inside the building

Drop Off and Pick Up

- Preschool hours will be 6:30am-6:00pm.
 - 6:30am-8:00am is AM care. Students will be in the drop off room and cafeteria. During breakfast, students will sit every other seat.
 - 5:00pm-6:00pm is PM care. Students will be combined into smaller groups. If possible, students will be outside during this time to limit exposure.
- Full-day students will drop off and pick up outside the front office.
- VPK only students will drop off and pick up outside the VPK annex.

FINAL NOTES

1. Pray as a family – Praying together as a family each day not only strengthens your faith, but also provides quiet time to listen to one another.
2. Communicate with the school and your teacher. Let us know if there are any changes or concerns. Check your email daily for updates.
3. Talk to your children – Don't be afraid to talk to your children about the Coronavirus, and focus on what they can do to stay healthy.
4. Manage stress – This can be an overwhelming time for all of us. Take time for personal devotions, remain calm, and embrace the help and the support of others.