



# Lakewood Park Christian School

## *RETURN to LEARN*

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The following is a document to outline Lakewood's plan for resuming school for the 2020-21 school year. We will continue to update this document as more information becomes available. Our plan is to re-evaluate during the school year and make any necessary adjustments. If you have any questions about this document or our plans to resume school, please email [return2learn@lakewoodpark.org](mailto:return2learn@lakewoodpark.org).

### **Guidelines for Returning to School**

- Ensure safe learning and working environments for students and staff by promoting healthy routines and practices.
- Maximize in-school student learning experiences as allowable by state and local guidelines.
- Ensure all students receive instruction that aligns with LPCS core values and meets or exceeds established academic standards.
- Provide training, time, and support necessary for staff to follow precautionary measures.

### Academic Calendar & Daily Schedule:

- We will follow our [2020-21 academic calendar](#); however, some events may be altered or canceled due to Covid-related circumstances.
- We will develop and utilize a daily schedule for students that promotes flexibility and minimizes person-to-person contact. For junior high and high school, we will be using a modified block schedule.

### Classes:

- Grades 3-12: When possible, seating will be arranged three feet apart and facing the same direction in the classroom, so that students will be able to remove face coverings. When that is not possible, students will be required to wear their face covering.
- Grades PK -2: Barriers and social distancing will be implemented, when practical, in order to minimize contact. Face coverings will only be required minimally in the classroom at the discretion of the teacher when social distancing cannot be accommodated.
- Teachers will wear face coverings when they are interacting with students within six feet.

### Social Distancing:

- Social Distancing (three to six feet apart) will be emphasized and utilized whenever possible.
- In high traffic areas, floor markings will indicate directional flow and proper distancing.
- We will implement measures to decrease students congregating in one location whenever possible.
- Chapel and mentor groups will continue to meet weekly with social distancing or with face coverings required. High School Students will be expected to wear face coverings during Chapel.

### Face Coverings:

- ❑ In accordance with government and health officials' orders, face coverings will be required for all grades throughout the day, except during student instruction, as described above.
- ❑ Surgical masks or double layer cotton masks are preferred, but face shields and neck gaiters will still be permitted.
- ❑ Students are encouraged to keep an extra face covering here at school and to wash/sanitize their face coverings throughout the week.
- ❑ All staff will be expected to wear a face covering throughout the day when social distancing is not possible.

### Water Fountains:

- ❑ Water fountains will not be used for drinking. Students need to provide their own water bottle and may use the bottle refill stations.

### Cleanliness:

- ❑ Hand sanitizer will be available throughout the campus and within each classroom.
- ❑ There will be intense, daily cleaning of common-use spaces (doorknobs, stair rails, etc.) and shared classroom items.
- ❑ Junior high and high school classrooms/work areas will be cleaned after each class. Elementary classrooms/work areas will be cleaned throughout the day, and shared items will be sanitized or left to sit for 24 hours between use.
- ❑ Plexiglass barriers have been installed in high interaction areas (i.e. main office, food service, etc.).

### Lunch:

- ❑ Elementary students will eat meals in assigned classrooms, and junior high and high school students will eat in designated areas.
- ❑ Hot lunch will still be provided and ordered in advance. Students will still be permitted to bring their own lunches.
- ❑ Face coverings will not be required during lunch when students are eating. Social distancing guidelines will be put into place during this time for all students.
- ❑ Sharing of any food items will not be permitted. Birthday treats or other snack items for mentor teams, classes, etc. will need to be individually wrapped and not homemade.

### Visitors:

- ❑ We will not be allowing visitors into the building. This includes alumni, parents, classroom guests, etc. Meetings on campus will be minimized and Zoom meetings will be encouraged.

### COVID-19 Symptoms and Exposure:

- ❑ All students and employees are required to self-screen for COVID-19 symptoms before coming to school. Student temperatures will be taken upon arrival.
  - ❑ Symptoms are: fever of 100.0 or greater, new & uncontrollable cough that causes shortness of breath, sore throat, headache, new loss of taste or smell, chills/muscle aches/fatigue

## COVID-19 Symptoms and Exposure (cont'd):

- ❑ If these symptoms develop while at school, the nurse will evaluate and the student or staff member may be sent home based upon the guidelines and recommendations established by the DeKalb County Department of Health.
  - ❑ [\*\*Covid Symptoms Flowchart\*\*](#)
- ❑ Should a staff member or student test positive for COVID-19, we will conduct contact tracing as recommended by the Department of Health and determine next steps on an individual basis.
- ❑ Households are considered “close contacts.” If a student with siblings or staff members in the building becomes symptomatic during the school day or are awaiting test results for COVID-19, the whole family must quarantine for the specified amount of time described in the “COVID-19: When a student, faculty, or staff member can return to school.”
- ❑ We will be following Indiana State Department of Health guidance for schools regarding symptoms, testing, and returning to school after sickness. Please reference the following links for these documents.
  - ❑ [\*\*Parent COVID-19 Screening Tool\*\*](#)
  - ❑ [\*\*COVID-19: When to Return to School\*\*](#)

