

# FFP 2020-2021

## POLICIES AND PROCEDURES DURING COVID-19

### **Drop-off & Pick-Up:**

We will be staggering arrival and drop off times to limit direct contact with other parents as much as possible. Your drop off time will be linked to your child's teacher. We will have 3 exterior checkpoints for you to wait with your child. These checkpoints will be assigned based on your child's class. Parents and students will wait at clearly marked spots placed 6 feet apart outside of the school building. One of our staff members will greet you at the door, take your child's temperature, and walk your child to their class. These same checkpoints will be utilized at dismissal as well. Parents will stand in their assigned checkpoint area (same as for arrival) while waiting for their child to be dismissed.

*\*We would like to encourage you to stay in your car while waiting for a spot in the line. We have multiple staff members that will be screening the children to make this process go as quickly as possible. We appreciate your patience for the first few weeks as we all adjust to the new system.*

### **Other New Policies this Year:**

- Once children are in the classroom, they will immediately wash hands and continue to do so throughout the day, including before and after lunch/recess.
- Teachers will be wearing masks. Masks for children are optional.
- Students will be eating lunch in the classrooms. Please send lunch items that your child can open independently and do not need to be heated. If your child is not able to open their drink boxes, we will have them use their water bottles.
- We know our students at this age are learning spatial awareness. To help with this, the activities will be strategically placed around the room.
- Recess will be one class at a time. Teachers will be wiping down/cleaning any high touch areas.
- The Spanish and Music teachers will be traveling to your child's classroom.
- We will provide each child with their own labeled container for the supplies you have provided.
- At the end of the day, FFP staff will disinfect/clean the classroom toys.
- The school will be thoroughly cleaned and disinfected every night.

## **Policies Regarding Illness:**

Please do not send your child to school if:

- your child has any symptoms of or has been exposed to anyone with COVID-19 or a member of your family waiting for COVID results.
- your child or ANYONE in your household has a fever over 99.9, had respiratory flu symptoms (sore throat, shortness of breath, etc.) or has been around anyone diagnosed with COVID-19 in the last 14 days.
- your child is vomiting or experiencing unexplained diarrhea, general inability to participate in school activities, discharge from or crusting of the eyes, greenish discharge from the nose, unexplained rashes, excessive coughing, or lice.

Children must be fever, diarrhea and vomiting free for 24 hours, without Tylenol, before returning to school. If a healthcare professional has diagnosed your child with a communicable disease, the child must have medical documentation to indicate that he/she is no longer contagious before returning to school. If your child becomes sick while at school, he/she must be picked up promptly.

If someone at FFP tests positive, we have a plan in place for communicating with the appropriate authorities, following sanitation procedures and notifying those who may have had potential exposure (while maintaining confidentiality).

## **Preventative Measures:**

We recently made an upgrade to our air conditioning system that included an Oxy 4 Air Purifier. Some of the benefits of this system are:

- 99% Effective on Airborne Micro Organisms
- Sterilizes, oxidizes and cleanses the air, which helps with allergy, asthma, and respiratory issues.

## **Policies Regarding Closure:**

In the event that we would need to close the school temporarily, that time will be made up at the end of the year. For example, if we were to close for two weeks, we will add two weeks to the calendar after the “last day.”

I know this is a lot of information to digest, but we can't tell you enough how excited we are for this new year! These days we know that things can change in any direction. We might one day be able to return to lunch in the cafeteria or have Music and Spanish in the “Specials Classroom,” but until then we will do our best to ensure that your child is in a safe, secure, and loving environment. Our prayer in the midst of these changes is for calm hearts, joyful children, and healthy FFP families and staff.