

## Alief Montessori Community School

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Dear AMCS Staff and Parents,

I hope you and your family are all safe and well. As you know, the COVID-19 cases in our area have been rising at an alarming rate. Even as we are putting together plans for reopening, there is just little certainty. But, we still need to prepare, and early preparation is key. I want to share with you the framework of our plans for re-opening even as guidelines and requirements from the state and local agencies are quickly evolving. An AMCS Covid-19 Task Force will be developing, reviewing and improving on our safety policies and procedures as we move closer to the beginning of school, and even during school.

- 1. Face masks would be required of staff, students, parents and visitors. We are also looking into early-childhood guidelines on these because young children may not be able to wear face coverings.
- 2. Handwashing and hand sanitizing stations would be available in various areas in the school.
- 3. Daily self-screening and self-reporting of staff and students would be required before coming to school.
- 4. Daily temperature check of staff and students upon entry, etc. We will provide details on how often this will be done in school.
- 5. Students or staff with at least one COVID-19 symptom may not be allowed to come to school and may not return until COVID testing result is confirmed negative. Remote learning would become the option.
- 6. Social distancing procedures in the classroom such as students bringing their own snacks, individually packaged school breakfast and lunch, staying in one classroom at all times during the day, and many more are being refined.
- 7. What do we do when there is a COVID-19 case? We would close the building and develop the procedures to safely return.
- 8. What will teaching look like? There would be in person and remote learning. Parents would have the option of having their children do remote learning. There would be daily virtual lessons as well as in-school instruction.
- 9. Please complete the calendar/at-home learning survey which could be found on the school website. Your feedback is very important.
- 10. Around the third week of July, your teacher would be in touch with you via email or text asking if you would enroll your child in remote learning or in-school. Once you have decided, you could change options only after a period of time, say, every two weeks.
- 11. If you have questions, you can call the office or email us at <a href="mailto:amcs@aliefmontessori.org">amcs@aliefmontessori.org</a>.
- 12. We need your support and understanding as these plans keep evolving. We are not even sure if schools would be allowed to re-open.

Thank you for your flexibility, patience and understanding.

Sincerely,

Delia Presillas Principal and Superintendent.