



**PIONEER
ACADEMY**

**2020 / 2021
Re-Entry
Guidelines**

PIONEER RESPONSE 3

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1. WELCOME LETTER

Dear Pioneer Academy Families,

This document serves as a centralized resource with the most up-to-date information and resources available to PA families about our response to re-entry guidelines for the start of the 2020/2021 academic



year. We are mindful of our obligation and commitment to keep our community safe while continuing our daily regular educational activities in the best and most appropriate way. This document serves as a centralized location for information and updates regarding Pioneer Academy's operational and academic adjustment to this rapidly evolving situation. You can find all the detailed information regarding the start of the new school year on September 8th, 2020 with our Hybrid Education model regulations, and we are hopeful that the adjustments that we have made for our school and the Hybrid Model will be an improvement for our students' education.

2. OVERVIEW

On June 26, 2020, the New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE) published “The Road Back – Restart and Recovery Plan for Education”, a guidance document to assist New Jersey schools to develop, in collaboration with community stakeholders, a Restart and Recovery Plan to reopen schools in September 2020 that best fits the Pioneer Academy’s needs.

PA’s Return to School Plan has been developed to be consistent with the requirements in the NJDOE Guidance with consideration to the school district’s local needs in order to ensure Pioneer Academy reopens safely and is prepared to accommodate students' unique needs during this unprecedented time. This plan is aligned with the requirements outlined in the NJDOE Guidance.

3. HEALTH AND SAFETY GUIDELINES

I. Pioneer Academy's COVID-19 Pandemic Response Plan

Pioneer Academy's COVID-19 Pandemic Response Plan is based on recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention ([CDC](#)) and NJ Department of Health ([NJDOH](#)) federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration ([OSHA](#)), including standards related to COVID-19; and NJ Governor's executive orders (the Road Back Restart Plan for Education), as they pertain to COVID-19.

This plan addresses the Clinical Health and Safety procedures that PA has implemented and the responsibilities of PA and its community members.

II. Operational and Health Adjustments

a. Facility Cleaning, Disinfecting, and Enhancements

Frequent and regular cleaning and disinfecting will be a vital part of our operation during Covid-19. Pioneer Academy has a contract with a third-party cleaning company to clean and disinfect our campus every day in detail using EPA-approved products that are effective for Covid-19. That service will continue with further attention to the cleaning and disinfecting of frequently touched surfaces by students such as doorknobs, student desks, and chairs.

Recognizing that we will need more frequent and detailed cleaning and disinfecting during the school day, we are adding more custodians to our facility team for next school year to ensure a clean and healthy school environment for our students including the detailed cleaning of restrooms and isolation room using EPA-approved products that are effective for COVID-19.

Touchless hand sanitizers with 60% alcohol rate will be available in areas that are used by students for its effectiveness with Covid-19. We have been working with our building contractors to ensure best practices with our AC and ventilation systems.

Besides, we are reducing areas requiring frequent touch. Most water fountains are converted to touchless bottle filler stations. Therefore, students are encouraged to bring their own water bottle that can be refilled throughout the day.

We have elevated our cleaning protocols in order to minimize the chance of COVID-19 spread via contaminated surfaces or poor ventilation. We have added employees to our daytime custodial staff, who will perform deep cleaning and disinfecting across campus with a focus on high-touch areas (e.g., tables, doorknobs, light switches, countertops, handles, desks, toilets, faucets, sinks). In addition, Faculty and Staff will all be provided with additional disinfectant materials to disinfect as needed and on-demand. Our evening custodial staff will have additional hours to complete the thorough disinfection of all campus buildings and rooms.

We evaluated ventilation systems to ensure they are all operating properly and provide acceptable indoor air quality. We then initiated strategies to increase outdoor air ventilation and enhance indoor air quality. We have increased the frequency of air filter evaluations and replacements. We improved central air filtration to the MERV-13 or the highest compatible with the filter rack. And also, we have placed portable air purifiers in some areas.

b. Operational Adjustments



Students will be instructed on our new safety policies and teachers and staff will assimilate them into daily routines. Signs providing reminders of safety procedures will be displayed throughout the building. Reminders will be added to morning announcements as well as weekly communications so that students can become familiar with the new guidelines and comfortable in their use.

Students in elementary and middle school classrooms will remain with the same group for the duration of the day to minimize unnecessary exposure, with the exception of elective courses and before and after school. High school students are unable to stay with the same groups due to scheduling; however, all safety procedures will be followed during the school day. All persons entering the school premises including staff and students are obligated to wear masks, but this is

optional for physical education keeping in mind that social distancing rules can be implemented and students are outdoors. Masks may be removed only at the discretion of the teacher.

To ensure safe travel in the building, traffic flow patterns will be visible and students will be instructed to adhere to these guidelines. Additionally, safe space guidelines will be expected at all times (water fountains, front desk, etc). Students will also be expected to maintain a safe space in the restrooms; therefore, only a few students will be permitted at any given time.

Lunches will continue to be served in the cafeteria utilizing safe spacing and routine disinfecting between rotations.

For recess, all students (weather permitting) will have opportunities to play outside in open-air areas, and safe space distancing will be taught and encouraged. Students will be in smaller groups during recess times.

Students will use backpacks throughout the day to carry their belongings in lieu of lockers. The use of online textbooks and resources will be encouraged.

c. Visitor Restriction

No parents or visitors will be allowed on campus during the school hours 8:25 am-3:45 pm.



d. Health Screenings and Symptom Assessment

We are asking parents/guardians, and all members of the community, to do a self-assessment of themselves and their children, including a temperature check, before leaving home each morning. Please use the self-assessment website below provided by the CDC:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/symptoms-testing/symptoms.html>

IMPORTANT:

- The assessment (**online/ google survey/ paper**) must be completed prior to the entry on-premises and submitted on a daily basis.
- Every morning all students' and staff's temperature will be checked prior to entering the building.
- No students will be allowed to enter and will be turned away.
- Students will be asked to remain in the vehicles until properly cleared to enter the building.
- No students will be allowed to enter the building prior to 8:25 am, except for the before school care (8:00 am-8:25 am).
- Students will be accepted to classrooms at 8:25 am prior to the start of the 1st period at 8:45 am.
- Any student who experiences symptoms **should not** attend school on campus until he or she is symptom-free for a specified number of days and in some cases depending on the symptoms cleared by a doctor. Please feel free to contact the school nurse if you need further clarification. They can continue to attend classes online.

Individuals with COVID-19 may have any of the following symptoms, which may appear **2 to 14** days after exposure to the virus

- Cough
- Shortness of breath
- Difficulty breathing
- Fever and/or chills
- Muscle or body aches
- Congestion or runny nose
- New loss of taste or smell
- Persistent pain or pressure in the chest
- New confusion
- Inability to wake or stay awake
- Bluish lips or face
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea

According to the **CDC**, this list of symptoms does not include all possible symptoms. Please contact your medical provider for any other symptoms that are severe or concerning to you.

i. Procedures for Anyone Experiencing Symptoms

Anyone who is experiencing symptoms of COVID-19 should isolate at home, contact their doctor for medical guidance, and inform the school nurse immediately. If a test is deemed necessary by the physician and a positive result is received, please follow the guidelines outlined by your physician and our *Procedures for Anyone Tested Positive for COVID-19* outlined below. If a negative test result is received, please follow the guidelines outlined by your physician and provide proper documentation before being allowed to return to campus. If a test is deemed unnecessary by the

physician, a written physician’s release will be required to return to campus along with meeting the following requirements:

- Fever and fever-medication-free for at least 72 hours, AND
- Other symptoms have improved

ii. Procedures for Anyone Tested Positive for COVID-19

Anyone tested **positive for COVID-19, should isolate and inform the school nurse immediately.**

A **negative COVID-19 test AND a written physician’s release will be required before anyone can return to school.**

- Stay home. Most people with COVID-19 have mild illness and can recover at home without medical care. Do not leave your home, except to get medical care. Do not visit public areas.
- Take care of yourself. Get rest and stay hydrated.
- Stay in touch with your doctor. Call before you get medical care. Be sure to get care if you have trouble breathing, or have any other **emergency warning signs**, or if you think it is an **emergency**.

iii. Procedures for Anyone in Contact with who is Positive for COVID-19

All students and employees should isolate at home and contact their doctor for medical guidance if they have had close contact with a person with COVID-19. CDC currently defines “close contact” as “someone who was within six feet of an infected person for at least 15 minutes starting from 48 hours before illness onset until the time the patient is isolated”.

Employees and parents/guardians are asked to self-report to the school nurse. A written physician’s release will be required for the return. Quarantined students will have access to their education through our hybrid instruction model. During this time, individuals should also stay away from anyone who is at a higher risk of getting sick.

iv. Procedures for Anyone Experiencing COVID-19 Symptoms at School

If a student is sick or experiencing symptoms at school, the student will report to the initial screening area - the school nurse. If deemed necessary, the student will be moved to the isolation room. In the isolation room, every student will be mandated to practice social distancing, and the parents will be informed right away and asked to pick up the child immediately and the student will be accepted to school once he/ she will be cleared by a doctor. If the student is not cleared to return to school, then he/ she should remain at home until the doctor cleared them to return back to school. In case of a confirmed COVID-19 case, Pioneer Academy reserves the right to immediately switch all students to online instruction in line with the latest NJ Department of Health guidelines until it is deemed safe to return on-premises. Students are still mandated to attend classes at home and complete all assignments unless excused by a doctor. Employees who become sick or experience symptoms while at the school should follow the same procedures as students.

When Can a Student, Faculty, or Staff Member Return to School?

Individual	Symptomatic	No Symptoms
Not tested with Alternate Explanation (strep, influenza, etc. as determined by a provider)	May return to school after 24 hours resolution of fever AND note (including email and fax) from provider stating the individual has an alternate diagnosis and the provider believes it's appropriate for the patient to return to school.	N/A
Not Tested Without Alternate Explanation	Must remain home for at least 10 days from the first day symptoms appeared AND 72 hours fever-free without fever-reducing medicine and with improvement of respiratory symptoms.	N/A
Tested and Negative	If no alternative explanation, isolate for at least 10 days from the first day symptoms appeared AND 72 hours fever-free without fever-reducing medications and with improvement of respiratory symptoms. The test may have been a false negative. The individual can return to school if tested negative AND with a note from the provider stating they believe the patient to have an alternate diagnosis and it's appropriate for the patient to return to school.	May proceed with attending school. EXCEPTION: A known close contact (within 6 feet of a confirmed case for more than 15 minutes) <u>must complete a 14-day quarantine, even if test results are negative for COVID-19.</u>
Tested and Positive	Must remain home in isolation for at least 10 days from the date symptoms began AND 72 hours fever-free without fever-reducing medications and improvement of respiratory symptoms.	Isolate at home for 10 days from the day the test was taken. <i><u>*If the individual develops symptoms, then isolation time starts on day 1 of symptoms</u></i>
Close Contact: <i>within 6 feet for more than 15 minute of someone with confirmed COVID-19</i>	The individual must <i>quarantine</i> for 14 days contact with the COVID-19 Positive person even if the student has an alternate diagnosis for symptoms. N/A : If an individual becomes symptomatic, refer to the symptomatic scenarios.	<i>Quarantine</i> for 14 days before returning to school. Must remain symptom-free. If individual develops symptoms, then refer to the symptomatic scenarios.

v. Screening Procedures for Students and Staff

- Staff & Students will have temperature screenings upon arrival on-premises.
- Nurses, designated staff, and administrators will be responsible for screening staff and students upon entry.
- Any staff member or student with a temperature of 100.4 and above will not be permitted in the building.
- Students who exhibit symptoms will wait in the building designated holding area close to the entrance until picked up by parent/guardian.
- Staff will need to fill out a COVID questionnaire google every day (Hard copies will be on hand).
- If any student has symptoms of COVID-19, the parent/guarding must self-report to the school nurse.
- If any staff has symptoms of COVID-19, they must self-report to the designated administrator and Human Resources will follow up.
- All staff and students entering school premises are mandated to review and follow all of the protocols as outlined in the sections above.

VI. Face Coverings and Hand Washing

Face Coverings

- Everyone on the Pioneer Academy campus, including all students, faculty, and staff, must have face masks (unless unable to do so due to health reasons-then a face shield will be required).
- Masks are required at all times while indoors, except when eating and drinking during approved lunch periods.
- When outdoors, there may be times when social distancing can be enforced, and masks may be safely removed.
- Students will always be instructed if masks can be safely removed; students should never remove a mask without clear direction from a member of the faculty or staff.

- Masks must be brought from home, and adequately cover both the nose and mouth. Acceptable masks include surgical and cloth masks. Face shields may be worn in addition to masks.
- Face masks may not have words, logos, or images (unless it is a Pioneer Academy logo). Patterns and designs are acceptable.

Hand Washing

- Students, Faculty, and Staff are required to exercise hand hygiene (hand washing or sanitizing) upon arrival to school, before eating, before putting on and taking off masks, and before dismissal.

e. Arrival and Dismissal Procedures



i. Elementary Arrival and Dismissal

Students are able to arrive at PA as early as 8:25 am (with exception of the before care). Students will enter the building and report directly to their homeroom class. This before school time will be dedicated to quiet reading time and/or independent work time until the first period officially begins. The first period officially begins at 8:45 am, elementary students should arrive at school no later than 8:40 am.

In PK & Elementary (K-4), we have a PikMyKid dismissal system. Please ensure that you use the APP and it is ready and available when you arrive to pick up your student in order for the dismissal to run quickly and smoothly. This system makes our dismissal process more efficient and safer for the students. Students will be sent individually, directly from their classroom/hallway to the dismissal area when their parents come.

ii. Middle & High School Arrival and Dismissal

School arrival begins as early as 8:25 am. Students need to report directly to their 1st-period class as they arrive at school. Any student who wants to arrive earlier must register online for [Before and After School Care](#) so that proper supervision can be assigned by completing the form online.

In MS/HS (5-12), we have a **PikMyKid** dismissal system. Detailed information will be provided during the parent orientation and on the school website. Please ensure that you use the APP and it is ready and available when you arrive to pick up your student in order for the dismissal to run quickly and smoothly. Please review the enclosed parent user guide below for the **PikMyKid** program.

[Parent Training Documents-pikmykid](#)

Please download it in advance, logins will be provided. Students will be dismissed directly from their last classrooms of attendance. This system makes our dismissal process more efficient and safer for the students.



5th grade through 12th-grade students will use the South Entrance to enter the school building during morning arrival. Middle and High school classes begin at 8:45 am. Therefore, Middle and High school students should be at school no later than 8:40 am.

Middle and high school students mustn't arrive at school any earlier than 8:25 am even if they have siblings in elementary school.

iii. Late Pick-Up & Penalty Fees

IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT STUDENTS BE PICKED UP IN A TIMELY FASHION TO ENSURE STUDENT SAFETY AND TO AVOID INCONVENIENCES TO STAFF MEMBERS. For day students not signed up for after-school study hall, a late fee of \$5.00 will be charged to parents failing to pick up their children within five minutes of the end of dismissal time. For pick-ups in excess of five minutes late, another \$1.00 will be charged for each additional minute that parents are late to pick

their children up. Students not enrolled in the after-school study hall must be picked up at dismissal time. Habitual late pick-up will require a parent meeting with the administration.

Further details about arrival and dismissal procedures can be found in the Parent and Student Handbook on the PA website. Please note that it is your responsibility to review it and it is subject to change with or without prior notice.

f. Entry, Exit, & Student Flow



We ask that all of our families follow below arrival and dismissal procedures to ensure a safe and smooth arrival and dismissal time for all of our students.

- Please be reminded that no parents are allowed to park in front of the school at any time during the day including the after school care time. Parents should always park in designated parking areas, but not in front of the school entrance.
- Upon arrival parents and students should remain in the car. Once a student is cleared, he/ she can proceed and enter the building (keeping in mind the permissible school times).
- Please be reminded that the speed limit is 15 mph on campus.
- Student pick-up is not allowed before 2:40 or 3:25 pm, whichever dismissal time is in effect.
- You may only pick up your child from the designated dismissal areas.
- Any families with doctor appointments or other pre-planned commitments should plan to come to the front lobby and pick up their child before 2:00 pm.
- No students will be called from classes or clubs as it disrupts the learning environment.
- Entrance, hallways, and stairwells within each building will have directional markers to ensure social distancing.

g. Classrooms & Lockers:



Every student will be provided safe physical distance at their seats, either at large tables or with individual desks. Seats will be assigned to assist in contact tracing. Due to COVID-19, students will not be assigned lockers. Please plan on using a school bag for your books during the day.

h. Restroom Protocols:

A limited number of students will be permitted to enter the restroom. Maximum capacity signage will be posted and observed. Teachers will be more lenient in terms of ensuring that students will be allowed to use the restrooms throughout the day, however, students who overuse the privilege may be required to bring in a doctor’s note documenting their extenuating conditions.



III. Food Services Information

Newline Catering will continue to serve lunch & snack (PK-4) to our students in the classrooms. Middle School and High School students’ schedules will be staggered and students will be required to follow the social distancing. They will be following the new guidelines set forth by the NJ Department of Health - Food Preparation and Service, which include the following implemented guidelines and protocols:

- All employees will wear FDA APPROVED face masks and gloves.
- Wellness/symptom checks, including temperature checks for all staff and personnel, will be performed as they arrive on-premises and before the opening of a restaurant.
- The service area will be frequently sanitized.
- The food-contact surfaces, food preparation surfaces, and beverage equipment will be washed, rinsed, and sanitized, after use.
- Meals will be served in the classrooms for students in grades 5-12.
- Provide physical guides to ensure that students remain six feet apart while standing on a serving line with the cafeteria floor marked.
- All food is covered and/or is set behind acrylic guards.
- Disposable utensils and plates will be used.

To sign up for meal services please use the following link:

<https://newlinecatering.com/>

- Students will be seated 6 feet apart at all times.
- Meals in the Classroom Procedures:
- PreK-4 students' meals will be delivered to the classroom in a To-Go bags fashion.
- Disposable utensils and plates will be used.

4. INSTRUCTION & SCHEDULING

I. Hybrid Model Instruction

We will be implementing a hybrid education model to accommodate both our students that will be remote learning and our students that will be returning to the classroom. We recognize that when we return to our physical campus, some families may prefer to have their students continue with cyber school. Our hybrid instructional model will allow us to accommodate students in-person or remotely. Classrooms are updated with the necessary technology for students to join classroom instruction in real-time from home.

- Technology - New technology is installed in our classrooms allowing students to participate in live classes happening on campus via Zoom. These include cameras, audio, and monitors that allow the teacher to see all students in the classroom, as well as students joining from home while teaching.
- Seating Arrangements - Based upon classroom configuration and to the extent possible, classrooms are designed to accommodate safe space between classmates. Desks face the same direction.
- Student Supplies - Individual student supplies will be utilized and classroom community supply use will be limited.
- Field Trips & Activities - Nonessential visitors, volunteers and activities involving external groups or organizations will be limited. In lieu of field trips, assemblies, special performances, and school-wide meetings/events, virtual activities will be planned.

- Schedules - In an effort to limit student exposure, in elementary we will utilize student homeroom classes for the majority of the day. Students joining from home will follow the same schedule as students on the physical campus.
- In Grades K-5, students will remain in their classroom during the day but may travel to special subjects (electives) classrooms.
- In Grades 6-8, students will be scheduled as in prior years, but the grades will not commingle.
- In Grades 9-12, students will be scheduled as in prior years.

PA Regular Bell Schedule		
START	END	PERIODS
8:00	8:25	PAID BEFORE SCHOOL CARE
8:25	8:40	Student Arrival (8:25 Classrooms open)
	8:40	Latest Arrival
8:45	9:30	1st Period
9:35	10:15	2nd Period
10:20	11:00	3rd Period
11:05	11:45	4th Period/ Lunch ELE.
11:50	12:30	5th Period/ Lunch MS
12:30	1:10	6th Period/ Lunch HS
1:15	1:55	7th Period
2:00	2:40	8th Period
2:40	2:55	Dismissal I
2:45	3:25	9th Period/ Clubs and Tutoring
3:25	3:40	Dismissal II
3:30	5:45	PAID AFTER SCHOOL CARE

II. Campus Learning and Procedures for Requesting Remote Learning

Students are expected to report to classrooms based on the survey submitted and designated/ confirmed by the administration. With administrative permission, parents may appeal to

switch from campus learning to online throughout the academic year 2020/2021. However, switching from online to campus can only be done at the end of each quarter and once again must be designated/ confirmed by the administration.



III. Full Remote Learning

We realize that several of our families may be uncomfortable with a return to campus due to the COVID-19 situation. For those families, we have sent an option of selecting online education. For consistency of our Pioneer Academy experience, we ask remote learning students to do the following during school hours;

- Be on time to the class
- Be seated at a desk or a table
- Participate
 - Wear proper top - PA uniform polo or solid colored polo shirt



IV. Grouping

Based on the first survey results, keeping in line with social distancing guidelines in the classrooms we do not need to do any grouping for on-campus students. If the survey results change and will need grouping, PA reserves the right to group students as needed and starts them on a rotation. On-campus students will be grouped into 3 groups: group A, B & C, in a 3-week rotation, groups will come to school accordingly. It will be evaluated on a class by class basis and students will be informed.

Grade Based Group Rotation:

- 1st Week - Group A & B on Campus
- 2nd Week - Group B & C on Campus
- 3rd Week - Group A & C on Campus



V. Attendance

Students participating in the hybrid model from home will be required to follow the below attendance policy:

- Attendance will be taken during Zoom/cyber education sessions.
- Please be logged into the waiting room using your correct name by the time class starts each day, just like you would be on time at school. Schedules will mirror the regular daily schedule on campus.
- Students will be counted as present as they enter the Zoom session for each of their class periods and they are mandated to be active participants until the end of the period and leave their cameras on during the whole session.
- Lateness policy will be the same as our regular school day - Tardies apply as normal and being 10 minutes late or more for the first period or 5 minutes or more for the subsequent periods will be considered an absence.
- Students are expected to complete assigned activities even in the event that they are unable to attend class physically or online. Students may refer to Alma/Google Classroom/Class Dojo/SeeSaw for any work that needs to be completed to stay up to date with their classwork and assignments.
- If the whole school moves to cyber education, then the recordings of the classes will be available for a week on the Google Classrooms. The lessons, live sessions, are the property of PA; therefore, anyone distributing or forwarding it to anyone who is not the designated user/student will be violating the usage policy and prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law. PA does not provide any permission to share with others without written consent. This includes, but is not limited to, the recording of or taking images from the sessions by use of an external device.
- If a student is unable to attend a live session, communication to that respective teacher and dean of student's office via email should be sent.
- For the international students who are attending the classes abroad, they will be responsible for watching the afternoon classes - period 7, 8 & 9, and submitting the assignments in a timely manner. Attendance is mandatory as per the SEVIS regulations and is the student's responsibility to ensure that he/ she is in good standing.
- Please refer to the student/parent handbook for the full description of the attendance policy.



VI. Athletics

At this time, the athletics program is planned as in prior years with some safety procedures provided by the NJ Department of Education. Please note that participating in all sports and activities is at risk (students participate at their own risk) and students cannot participate without proper waivers. If the whole school moves to cyber school due to COVID-19, we will reevaluate to determine what can be offered or not offered virtually.

Physical Education Classes:

Following the outlines of the Wayne board of education and state of New Jersey, Pioneer Academy will have physical education classes as required for graduation.

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1. To maintain social distancing, we will have physical education classes outside whenever possible.
 2. As with school protocol, students when entering the building temperatures will be monitored.
 3. Similar to after school activities per NJSIAA, face coverings must be worn whenever feasible during activities. (exceptions for high intensity running activities, lifting, etc). When students are inactive or resting, face coverings should be worn.
 4. Similar to after school activities to protect students, any student who has pre-existing medical conditions (diabetes, asthma, auto-immune disorders, etc.) must provide clearance from a physician to the school nurse before students can participate in gym classes. This list will be verified by physical education teachers to protect student safety.
 5. Due to locker rooms considered high-risk areas, there will not be an option to change clothes. All PE classes will be conducted in PA uniform.
 6. When unable to go outside due to weather, physical education classes will be held in a designated area in which students can maintain 6 feet apart and do class projects, study sessions, low-risk indoor activities like yoga, jump rope, table tennis, etc.
 7. Depending on class sizes, a fitness room may be an option for indoor activities as long as students can maintain 6 feet of social distance and must wear face-covering when feasible.

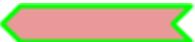
8. All sports equipment and tools used during gym classes will be cleaned after use. Students will be allowed to bring their own equipment (balls, paddles, etc) in an attempt to limit sharing.
9. Students should bring their own water bottles to maintain hydration as it is crucial during activities. Please make sure it is enough to last for the duration of the class.
10. Remote students in Physical Education classes will have modified workouts and activities based on the end of the 2019-2020 school year survey. Items that will be required for remote learning will be Nike App, Yoga Mat, Jump Rope. Their class activities will be provided for the week in which they must report daily to the teacher by either email or tracked on Nike App.
11. Students who attend in school learning and wish to opt-out may do so but will be required to do health-related schoolwork following New Jersey state guidelines to meet curriculum standards.
12. All students must sign a PE waiver in order to be eligible to participate in Physical Education.
13. A clearance form must be completed and submitted to the Athletic Director by the end of 1st week of attendance, in case a student needs to be excused due to extenuating medical circumstances.
14. Face masks will be required and may be removed depending on the activity and ability to keep social distancing. Students must follow the teacher's directions.
15. All student-athletes/parent guardians must fill out a consent form for afterschool activities acknowledging at own risk.

All guidelines outlined above will be included in the class syllabus and must be acknowledged by student and parent/guardian Any updates or adjustments from the state or school will be provided to students and parents immediately.

PE After School Activities

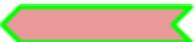


After school activities will follow strict guidelines and potentially a return to play sports and other physical activities. Due to our calendar being slightly behind, we will start with summer phases with modified dates from once available.

 **VII. Clubs****Elementary Clubs and Academic support classes** 

Clubs will remain an important part of the PA daily schedule, in an adjusted format that is suitable for both campus and online learning (starting Oct. 5th, 2020).

A predetermined club schedule will be offered for each grade level (PK-4). If a student is not picked up during the first dismissal, students will remain with their homeroom class to participate in the club activities each afternoon using a combination of in-person and virtual club activities led by PA instructors. This club schedule will be shared once completed. Students participating in the hybrid model will be able to join their classroom's club option each day from home. Academic support classes will continue at PA, in an adjusted format, outside of regular club time hours. Elementary academic classes will meet after school hours (depending on the class level) via Zoom. Paid Club options will remain available for our PA students in a virtual format. More details regarding each club option will be shared in mid-September.

Middle & High School Clubs and Academic support classes 

Clubs and academic support classes will be offered on campus and be available online for students attending from home unless the whole school moves to cyber school. In the case that the whole school moves online, clubs and academic support classes will continue virtually. Specific details of the academic support classes will be shared by the teachers after the school year starts.

5. COVID-19 WARNING FOR STUDENTS AND PARENTS

We have taken enhanced health and safety measures for the children, faculty, and staff, parents, and other members of our community. We ask that everyone who visits follow our new school safety guidelines as well as any posted instructions on the website.

An inherent risk of exposure to COVID-19 exists in any public place where people are present. COVID-19 is an extremely contagious disease that can lead to severe illness and death.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, senior citizens and others with underlying health conditions are especially vulnerable.

By choosing to come to our school, you voluntarily assume all risks related to exposure to COVID-19.

Help keep each other safe and healthy. Parents or students will receive a waiver form, a hard copy must be signed and returned back to school on the 1st day of school.

PA reserves the right to refuse entry to any student not having the waiver. The ones who wish to opt-out must do so in writing and prior to entering the school building. In the case of opting out, the student and parent must revoke their own right from entering the premises.