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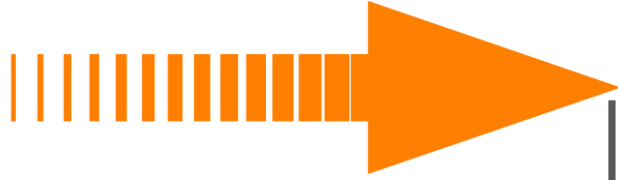


Lighthouse Christian School's academic plan is an outline for the 20-21 school year. We plan to have our first day of school on August 19, 2020, in the safest way possible, if we are permitted to do so. Our decisions will be driven by the guidelines set forth by the CDC as well as local and state guidelines. We will be prepared to offer uninterrupted academic instruction regardless of our ability to be in the physical school building. The plans in this document are subject to change as needed.

In this document you will find:

- Three plans for academic delivery
- Options for the fall based on family preference
- Changes in campus health and safety protocol





Lighthouse Christian School is prepared to seamlessly move between three educational plans. The decision to move from one to another will be based on several factors including campus risk considerations, independent school association recommendations, public health agency guidelines and government mandates.

### Plan A Campus is open

Officials report Covid-19 infection in the tri-county area is limited.

This is the ideal scenario in which LCS will hold classes on campus. Some time may be spent learning outdoors. Research shows that outdoor learning experiences have multiple positive effects on the physical and psychological well-being of children.

Parents who prefer to keep their children home will have the option to select distance learning in 9 week intervals. Once a family opts into distance learning, they will not be able to switch to on campus learning until the quarter is complete.

Large gatherings such as parent meetings and student performances will not be held until guidelines permit otherwise. Visitors and volunteers will not be permitted in the building.

### Plan B Hybrid Model

Officials report that there are generalized cases of Covid-19 in the tri-county area.

Depending on circumstances, students and/or teachers will engage in both classroom and distance learning.

High levels of infection within the community may move LCS into the Hybrid model. In this scenario, instruction will be split between on-campus and distance learning. Time spent in the classroom will springboard activities and assignments to be completed at home.

In this model, visitors and volunteers will not be permitted in the building.

The school will be disinfected between groups of children being in the building. This model will be selected based on an assessment of need and risk.

### Plan C Campus closed

Officials report that there are wide spread regional cases of Coronavirus and government mandates are issued.

Distance learning will take place for all students until the government lifts mandates and it is safe to return to school.

LCS is prepared to engage in distance learning that will continue to provide students with the same educational standard offered on campus. Our distance learning program is engaging and fosters learning opportunities that are connected to a challenging curriculum. We will continue to meet the benchmarks and standards necessary for our students to continue to the next grade level.



# 3 plans of action

In response to Covid-19

# On campus:



Whether it is through alternative scheduling and calendar scenarios or implementing new health protocols, we will do our part as a community to reduce the risk of infection and spread of the Coronavirus. Before returning to campus, faculty and staff will receive thorough training on the following protocols and will be prepared to help students easily adapt to new procedures.

## Health procedures:

Each morning faculty will take and log staff and student temperatures. This process may be repeated throughout the day.

Employees or students who have a temperature reading of 99 degrees or above, or COVID-19 symptoms, will be sent home and asked to self-quarantine and recover. Students who develop symptoms during the day will wait in isolation until a parent arrives. Students presenting symptoms MUST be picked up within 30 minutes.

It is imperative to our success in keeping our faculty and students healthy that you do not send your child to school if they are showing any symptoms of illness. Students who are coughing, sniffing or appear unwell will be sent home.

Handwashing sinks and sanitizer will be available throughout the building. Students and faculty will wash their hands every 2 hours, and students and staff will clean hands when entering or leaving a classroom.

## Social Distancing:

- Arrival and dismissal times must be strictly adhered to
- On Campus visitors will be limited to critical need.
- Parents MUST use the car line for drop off and pick up
- Class sizes may vary
- Desks will be arranged to provide maximum distance between students
- Sanctuary, Memorial Hall and Chapel may be used as learning spaces.
- Foot traffic in hallways will be limited
- Lunch will be in the classroom. Single use containers and utensils will be used.
- Meetings, events and assemblies will be limited
- Critical need after school care will be offered on a limited basis.
- Items for drop off during the day will be placed in a bin by the front door.

## Campus disinfection:

Teachers, custodians and staff will clean and disinfect high traffic areas and high touch surfaces throughout the day.

Our cleaning company will conduct a deep clean of the building in the evening.

An air quality system will be in place to reduce the spread of germs.

Rigorous maintenance schedules will be followed.

## Personal Accountability:

We will rely on our families to follow the CDC guidelines at home and on campus as outlined below:

- Parents will be asked to take children's temperatures before leaving for school each morning.
- Employees will take their temperature before leaving for school each morning.
- A student or employee with a temperature of 99 degrees or higher will stay home.
- At this time, faculty and staff are wearing face coverings when on campus.
- Students may be required to wear a mask or shield.
- Processes will be in place for self-monitoring, self-reporting and self-isolation.

# Social and emotional well-being:

Lighthouse Christian School is committed to the social and emotional wellness of our students and families.



It is our hope for our ideal scenario, Plan A, to be in place on August 19<sup>th</sup> and we can open our building to our students.

We will welcome primary, intermediate and middle on separate days from the 19<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> so we can focus on making our students feel comfortable and safe with the new health guidelines.

If for the safety of our students, families and faculty, we are forced to carry out periods of distance learning, we will continue to offer predictability, routine and accountability for our students through zoom meetings and teacher office hours. Administration is always available to answer questions and/or concerns of either students or parents.

Whichever plan we put into action, we are ready to offer academic excellence and the support and love you have come to expect from Lighthouse Christian School .

