



face coverings again, such as a person who tested positive for COVID upon the return to campus (as outlined below) or in the event of a COVID outbreak.

### **VACCINATION:**

To the extent that having a fully vaccinated school community makes our school a safer place to be, we encourage all those who are comfortable with vaccination to do so. We lost at least one member of our school community, who was not vaccinated, to COVID and hope to lose no more.

We do not believe it is our position as a school to “recommend” vaccination. That decision is a personal choice. A choice that should be made after reviewing available literature and consulting with medical professionals.

### **HEALTH SCREENINGS & REPORTING:**

Health screening and testing as needed is a critical component of our school health and safety plan. The school has a staff member, referred to as the COVID Safety Officer, who is responsible for addressing all COVID-19 concerns for scholars, staff and parents. Parents must keep their children home if they do not feel well or have a temperature. Any scholar or staff member with a detected fever, cough or shortness of breath, body aches or headache will be sent home until they have a negative PCR test for COVID or cleared by a physician.

In the event a scholar or staff member is diagnosed with COVID, the school will adhere to the following guidelines:

- The person diagnosed with COVID must follow the CDC symptom-based strategy;
- Home isolation for a minimum of five days following a positive test;
- Home isolation can be discontinued on the sixth day, if the person is asymptomatic without medication;
- A mask must be worn at all times for the next five days;
- Arrangements will be made for the person to eat in an isolated area;
- Isolation areas will be available for anyone exhibiting COVID symptoms during school hours;
- SNHD officials, families and staff will be notified immediately of any possible case of COVID while maintaining individual confidentiality;
- The Covid Safety Officer will consult with SNHD officials for all necessary protocols and will ensure that any affected scholars or staff are informed of the possible exposure.

We will continue with our already instituted procedures (outlined below) as they have been effective over the last eighteen plus months.

### **SIGNAGE:**

Clearly visible signs will be posted at the entrance to the school and gym establishing protocols and reminding those who enter to maintain 6 feet of distance, and to regularly wash their hands. Additional signage will be posted at entrances and on walls that will explain capacity limits; prohibitions on entering and gathering if they are experiencing symptoms, hygiene and social distancing.

### **ARRIVAL AND EXITING:**

Policies and procedures will be followed in an effort to ensure the safety of our scholars and staff. With the recent COVID-19 variants, it appears that the pandemic will continue to be a fluid situation and our plans and policies may be updated as the State of Nevada or other health officials issue new directives and instructions.

- Beginning 7:45 am, scholars will be admitted into the building and will go directly to their classroom.
- KinderPrep parents may enter the KinderPrep building for drop-off and pick-up of their child.
- Dismissal times are staggered to prevent large groups.
- Parents are encouraged to pick-up promptly at the end of the school day following carline procedures.
- Before and After School Care will be limited to 45 scholars to account for social distancing protocols. Parents will need to make a reservation for this program.
- For those parents who participate in Before School Care, instructions will be provided separately.
- Parents will have limited access to classrooms and school buildings. Parents may not enter their child's classroom without approval from Administration and will be required to make an appointment.
- Parents who want to volunteer should contact Administration for further instruction.

### **OUTBREAK:**

In the event of an outbreak, 2 or more scholars or staff have tested positive for COVID-19 within a 14-day period, who are epidemiologically linked and do not share a household, the school will collaborate with Southern Nevada Health District and will follow the most up to date guidelines which may again include the implementation of face coverings.

Parents of scholars will be notified by email of outbreak declaration and outbreak closures.

The outbreak will be monitored by the headmaster of the school. All positive cases will be documented at the school using the school's online portal and will be reported using Southern Nevada Health districts email at [schoolcovid@snhd.org](mailto:schoolcovid@snhd.org) or phone at 702-759-1300. An outbreak will be closed once the number of cases has diminished to below 2 per class.

### **SANITATION SCHEDULE CLEANING AND DISINFECTION:**

The school prides itself on maintaining a clean and immaculate campus. All aspects of school sanitation will be increased significantly to help prevent the spread of COVID-19. Disinfectant cleaning supplies will be available for use in every classroom. Additional increased sanitation measures include:

- Regular cleaning of desks and all frequently touched surfaces such as tables, door handles, sinks, faucets and countertops will be done with recommended disinfectants.
- Enhanced deep cleaning of all commonly touched surfaces will be done nightly by cleaning professionals.
- Any classroom used by multiple class groups will have all commonly touched surfaces such as desks and tables sanitized between use.
- Communal supplies will be discouraged where applicable.
- All playground equipment and P.E. equipment will be sanitized regularly.
- Extra cleaning staff will regularly wipe down sink and flush handles.
- All classroom and common areas are equipped with hand sanitizers.
- Communal water fountains will be disabled. Scholars need to bring a water bottle from home and will be allowed to refill their water bottle using touch free water dispensers.

### **HYGIENE PRACTICES:**

The school will continue to teach personal hygiene practices with an emphasis on personal cleanliness and hand washing.

- Personal hygiene practices will be reinforced and consistently promoted throughout the school day.
- Staff and scholars will be directed to wash their hands or use hand sanitizer prior to entry and re-entry of any school buildings.
- Scholars will be scheduled to wash their hands after recess, before lunch and at any time prior to returning to the classroom.
- Scholars will be directed to regularly use hand sanitizers available in all classrooms and common areas.
- Staff will encourage scholars to avoid touching their eyes, nose, or mouth with their hands.

### **PHYSICAL DISTANCING:**

We will educate regarding and encourage safe distancing practices at school to the best of our ability. In order to promote a safe and healthy learning environment the school will follow these guidelines:

- All scholar desks and tables will be spaced apart.
- Movement of scholars on campus and in buildings will be done with social distancing measures as much as is feasible.
- Upper Grammar and High School scholars will rotate classrooms to attend the necessary classes. Lower Grammar scholars will attend Specials Classes in the appropriate classrooms. Upon dismissal from a Specials Class, each desk will be sanitized and

cleaned before the next class begins. Each scholar, regardless of class or grade level, will have assigned seats.

- Scholars and staff will be instructed to walk on the right side of the hallways and stairwells while practicing social distancing.

### **EMPLOYEE/STAFF TRAINING & ENFORCEMENT**

The staff have been trained on cleaning and sanitizing and disinfecting. Training has been conducted by the manufacture of the cleaning products. Safety meetings will be conducted prior to each school year regarding face coverings, PPE, and social distancing.