

SAFETY RE-ENTRY PLAN

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

We welcome you back to Living Word Christian Center Kingdom Academy 2020-2021. I pray you and your family are living in Divine health during these unprecedented times. We have truly missed our students and are excited about their return!

The safety of our staff, students and families is of our utmost importance. We recognize the decision made for your child to re-enter into the school is never easy under such circumstances. The LWCC Kingdom Academy has taken extra safety precautions to make the re-entry plan into the LWCC Kingdom Academy a safer environment. Our scheduled date for re-opening is Monday, August 3, 2020.

We are earnestly praying that this pandemic will be behind us soon. We posture ourselves, more than ever, in working together, *Training Tomorrow's Leaders to Be Disciples of Christ!* The future generation is depending on us to teach them to lead through the storm. We will continue to provide a purposeful Christ-centered education with spiritual and academic excellence, in an atmosphere of love, learning, and achievement.

As we continue to navigate the changing tides posed by this pandemic, rest assured that our priority to the commitment of Christian Education remains the same. In the words of our Founder, Dr. Levy H. Knox, "Christian Education is not an option; it's a mandate." We pray God's continual protection over you and your loved ones as we continue to the call.

Continued Blessings,

Pastor Delia Knox
Administrative Liaison

HEALTHY ENVIRONMENT

The LWCC Kingdom Academy has always maintained smaller classroom settings. We will have an even lower capacity classroom setting, for all grade levels, with blended in-person instruction.

In accordance to the Center for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines, we will incorporate social distancing and wearing of masks. We recognize it may be difficult for young students to keep their masks on for long periods of time; therefore, Kingdom Academy will allow and provide facial shields for students and teachers. We believe the facial shields will enable more student engagement without inhibiting facial expression during instruction.

We have made special accommodations for the classrooms and meeting areas by implementing social distancing guidelines to mitigate exposure and protect our students' health and safety. Further, we have increased our cleaning and sanitizing schedule, set up sanitation stations, and will continue to encourage consistent hand washing, as it is one of the most effective ways to minimize and prevent the spread of germs. Furniture and plexiglass walls have been acquired and installed in classrooms and appointed areas to accommodate extra safety and social distancing. We have upgraded restroom areas and have assigned a restroom per classroom.

We will not be able to permit guests in the school as in other occasions. You may visit the front office only after clearing proper check points.

ACADEMICS

The LWCC Kingdom Academy recognizes the importance of our academic core subjects with in-person instruction, so provisions have been made to make these subjects available on the daily schedule. Unfortunately, elective courses are temporarily suspended until we are able to resume with less restrictions.

SCHEDULE

To accommodate our instruction and added safety measures, we will follow a temporary schedule with two dismissal times for our students beginning at 7:45 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. It is essential to note the grade level of your child and the following dismissal times:

- ◆ K4 - 4th grades will be dismissed at 1:15 p.m. through the rear first-floor exit.
- ◆ 5th - 8th grades will be dismissed at 1:00 p.m. through the gym entrance.

The LWCC Kingdom Academy will open the rear gate at 7:30 a.m., and temperatures will be checked upon entry.***

The rear gate will reopen at 12:30 p.m. for pickup entry.

******Please kindly understand that students with a temperature of 99.5 or more cannot be dropped off or enter the facility until the temperature has been appropriately cleared at no more than 99.5. Students will be sent home if their temperature is above 99.5. If at any time anyone in your household has been exposed to COVID-19 symptoms, in any form, and/or are experiencing symptoms within a 14 day period, do not bring the student to the school. Special accommodations will be made for them to receive instruction via online for the 14 day quarantine period and/or until they are able to return.***

LUNCH

Mother Hall's Place (our cafeteria service), will be serving breakfast, snack and lunch meals to go. Follow the weekly menu options provided. We request you place any meal funds in a ziplock bag, along with the selected options as indicated on a slip that will be provided. More information will follow. Guests will not be permitted in the classrooms nor Mother Hall's Place.

If you prefer to have your child bring in his/her lunch, we highly recommend the use of disposable lunch bags. Please note that all book bags and non-disposable belongings will be disinfected regularly.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- 1. What is Blended In-Person Instruction?** The LWCCKA will blend instruction in-class with in-person instruction along with utilizing online tools. This will enable the student to be prepared for on-campus and off-campus instruction in the event of any changes.
- 2. Can my child wear a face mask that is not provided by the school?** Yes. It is required that each student wear a face mask. We request it be washed regularly. They must be solid colors that are not distracting to other students or teachers in the classroom.
- 3. Are parents allowed on campus?** Parents are allowed on campus if it is to meet with the administration, teacher, or to pick-up a child. However, parents are not allowed to visit classrooms or eat lunch with students.
- 4. What will happen if someone in our school family tests positive for COVID-19?** We pray this never happens, however, in the event a student or staff in the LWCCKA tests positive for the Coronavirus, the school will temporarily be suspended to properly sanitize, especially the areas of traced contact. Once the school has been sanitized, instruction will resume. This scenario will allow time for proper sanitization and isolation of the individual cases. Please note, grades K4-4th grade will remain in their same classroom areas for all instruction with constant sanitization of contact areas. Grades 5th -8th will follow strict social distancing instructions and constant sanitization of contact areas. Due to the uncertainty of how many cases there are, as well as how long the temporary closures are needed, teachers will be required to have lessons planned two weeks in advance. They have gone through extensive teacher professional development in putting these areas in to place. These lessons will be uploaded to the Goggle Classroom site for each grade level. GradeLink is our Student Information System and will be utilized to upload these links. Distance learning protocol, procedures, and expectations will take effect during any temporary closures. On-campus instruction will resume after we receive clearance.

- 5. What happens if my child is not feeling well and is not able to be in class?** The LWCCKA has put in place remote and in-class instruction utilizing Google Meet and FaceTime. If the student feels well enough, he/she will be able to attend class, via real-time, through Google Meet and/or FaceTime utilizing their device. Each student will be trained on how to use these platforms within the first two weeks of in-person instruction.
- 6. If the spread of the COVID-19 is persistent and intermittent shutdowns are required, will there be a reduction in tuition?** We believe that Christian Education is not an option, it is a mandate. We are supported by a community of prayer and guidance preparing our students for a lifetime of learning and impacting their world with Biblical principles of the Kingdom of God. We operate on tuition income to staff teachers and professionals and provide a quality education. The costs that are not covered by tuition are covered by a body of believers of Living Word Christian Center. In order to maintain the level of excellence, even through distance learning, we properly compensate our teachers to ensure that instruction still takes place, therefore, we can not reduce tuition.

The safety and well-being of our students is our greatest concern. Moreover, if it becomes necessary for instruction to be moved to an online platform only, it is imperative that our instruction remains as effective as in-person instruction.

While it is our plan to keep any form of online instruction as short term as possible, we will NOT allow any of our students' health to be placed in jeopardy by re-opening at an inappropriate time.

The process for returning to campus is an evolving process that is subject to change. As circumstances change based on state and local mandates, parents will be notified accordingly.

Deuteronomy 6:5-7

And thou shalt love the LORD thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might. And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart: And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up.



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REOPENING PROTOCOL SUMMARY FOR VISITORS AND STAFF

Screening: In addition to temperature checks, all visitors must truthfully complete and submit a daily wellness self assessment (see below). The daily wellness self-assessment sets forth health-based requirements that must be met to allow a visitor to be on-site. Individuals who know they cannot answer one or more of the screening questions affirmatively, should stay home and should not visit LWCCKA.

Physical Distancing and Face Coverings: LWCCKA requires all employees and visitors to comply with social distancing protocols (maintain at least six (6) feet of physical distance between any other individuals) and to wear face coverings when social distance cannot be maintained. Visitors may wear their own acceptable face coverings or wear a disposable face covering provided by LWCCKA.

Contact Tracing: In order to facilitate contact tracing, LWCCKA maintains logs of all persons, including visitors, who enter the facility and who may have close contact with other individuals. The visitor log will document the visitor's name, contact info, purpose of visit, start and end times of the visit, the responsible employee, the locations within the school where the visitor was present, and any known instances where the visitor participated in in-person meeting or other interactions where 6ft. of social distancing was not feasible or maintained.

VISITOR AND STAFF WELLNESS SELF-ASSESSMENT

Your health and safety is our primary concern. If you are sick, please stay home. If you become ill while at LWCCKA, please go home. You may only visit LWCCKA if all the following statements are true:

1. Neither I, nor anyone residing in my household, currently has or had ANY of the following COVID-19 symptoms within the last 14 days:

Fever: 100.0 or higher

Cough*

Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing

Chills

Sore Throat

New Loss of taste or smell

Gastrointestinal symptoms (nausea, vomiting or diarrhea)

Muscle pain

***Note: Coughing (or other symptoms) related to seasonal allergies are not considered symptoms of COVID-19**

2. I have not tested positive for COVID-19 within the last 14 days.

3. I have not had close contact within the last 14 days with any individual who is confirmed or suspected COVID-19 case.

I hereby certify that the above statements are ALL true. (If you cannot certify these statements, you may not visit LWCCKA).

PRINT NAME

SIGNATURE

DATE