

Lincoln Preparatory School's Ready To Achieve Plan 2021-2022

Our administrators have been working on detailed plans for reopening schools and providing educational services this fall using the Louisiana Department of Education's Guidelines updated in September 2021. Lincoln Preparatory School is committed to helping our students and employees remain safe throughout the COVID -19 pandemic. This document outlines Lincoln Preparatory School's policies regarding the pandemic.

## **School Facilities**

School facilities have received a thorough cleaning in preparation for the return of teachers and students. High traffic areas and high touch areas in classrooms and facilities will be cleaned minimally twice during the school day. Crowds will be minimized at entryways. Water fountains may only be used to fill water bottles or cups. An isolation area will be designated at each school site for students who are ill. Contact tracing will continue at each school. Field Trips may be available later this fall. Masks are required indoors.

### **School Buses**

Masks are required for all students and adults while traveling on a school bus. This includes traveling to and from school, athletic events, etc. All students must be wearing masks when getting on the bus and keep them on until they exit the bus. School buses will be disinfected regularly and scheduled cleaning protocols will be in place. Seating charts will be maintained by bus operators to aid in contact tracing as needed.

### **Food Service**

Meals will be served in the classroom until the temporary cafeteria is approved for occupancy. In classrooms, students will remain in their seating chart for all meals. When the cafeteria is approved for use, the cafeteria tables will be used with students sitting in their static groups or sitting on the same side of the table. Breakfast options will include a grab-and-go OR a hot meal, and all meals are free to students.

## **Student Instruction**

Instruction will be in-person unless a student meets the criteria for temporary homebound services. Temporary homebound instruction will be provided by the K12 platform. If a student is placed on homebound instruction, the student must remain homebound for a minimum of four weeks. For more information on homebound services or to request an application, you may contact Melanie Colvin, Chief Academic Officer at 318-242-8788, or by email at mcolvin@lincolnprep.school. (Medical documentation is required and must accompany the application.)

Masks are required for all students in grades K-12 Students will be required to wash their hands and sanitize often during the day. Social distancing to the greatest extent possible is recommended. No masks are recommended when students are outside. Mask breaks are recommended throughout the day at the teacher's discretion. Students should bring a water bottle with water to drink during the day. Water fountains will be open to refill students' water bottles. However, students may not drink from the spout. Students will be responsible for missed work when absent, quarantined due to exposure, or isolating to testing positive, and should access their teachers' Google Classrooms for information.

# **Campus Visitors**

All visitors will wear masks while on campus, and only essential visitors should be permitted on campus. Essential visitors are defined as being on campus to conduct observations, interventions, in-district special education services, LOSFA services, in-district mental health consultations, etc. Unfortunately, visitors are not permitted on campus to eat lunch, volunteer, etc. at this time. We are hopeful these guidelines will change soon.

### **Wellness and Policy**

Students who are ill should stay home regardless of symptoms. All Covid-19 symptoms should be monitored closely. Fever of 100.4 requires students to stay home or be picked up from school.

# **Close Contact Quarantine Policy**

Unvaccinated students must quarantine at home if they are exposed to Covid-19. Students who are considered a close contact to a positive Covid-19 case will be required to quarantine at home for 10 days unless one of the following occurs:

- \*A student will be exempt from quarantine if he/she has tested positive within the last 90 days
- \* A student will be exempt from quarantine if he/she is fully vaccinated

A close contact is defined as a person who is within 6 feet of an infected for a total of 15 minutes within a 24 hour period, someone providing care at home to someone with Covid-19,

someone in direct physical contact with the infected person, someone who has shared eating or drinking utensils with an infected person, or someone who has been sneezed or coughed on by an infected person.

## **Positive Test Policy**

Students who test positive for Covid-19 or those who are symptomatic and choose not to test will be required to isolate at home for 10 days from the onset of symptoms and may return after the 10 days if free of fever for 24 hours and symptoms have improved.