

# Return-to-Campus Plan

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## From Our Administrator

Planning for the safe re-entry of our students and staff to our campus has been a critical priority this summer. Our focus has been to develop a plan that enables us to offer excellent Christian education and a meaningful school experience for our students and families. We recognize that we are at our best when teaching and learning take place in a face-to-face environment. Additionally, we hold that social and other affective components of the school experience are best offered and received through an on-campus setting.

With these understandings, we have formulated a plan centered on having school on campus. Several safeguards have been developed. These protocols will be adjusted as needed and as circumstances change. This document presents many of these procedural adjustments.

We also recognize that some of our community have health issues they must consider when making decisions about the social interactions of their family members. For those who meet specific criteria, we will offer a limited-distance education program.

As a Christ follower, I am daily reminded of the One to Whom I belong. As a child of God, I can confidently rest in His love, provision, and protection. I encourage each student, parent, and staff member to join me in trusting in our all-powerful and all-knowing God, because He is willing and able to meet our needs.

*Be careful for nothing; but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. And let the peace of God which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.*  
(Philippians 4:6, 7)

Joey Harmon  
Administrator

# Procedures to Promote Wellness

## Screening Procedures



Staff members and students will participate in an online screening process prior to their departures to school each morning. This process will include taking and recording one's temperature and providing responses to COVID-19 related questions via a web-based form. Designated staff members will receive notifications concerning who is allowed on campus each day.

More information concerning this online screening process will be shared before the first day of school.

## Cleaning & Sanitizing



Electrostatic disinfectant sprayers will be used to increase coverage and adhesion of disinfectants on surfaces. Additionally, hand-held UV light wands will be used to quickly disinfect high-touch items.

Common areas will be disinfected multiple times throughout the day. Hand sanitizer will be plentiful throughout the campus, and each student is expected to bring his or her own bottle of hand sanitizer for any-time use. Teachers of students in grades two and lower will administer hand sanitizer and lead students in using the sanitizer at scheduled times throughout the school day.

## Face Coverings by Group



Preschool – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

- Face coverings are optional.

6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade & Staff

- Face coverings will be required when physical distancing is impossible. Examples include the following:
  - Hallways
  - Bathrooms
  - Cafeteria (until seated to eat)
  - Anytime students cannot be separated by at least three feet

## Athletics



The athletic department will abide by regulations set forth by the athletic conferences with whom we are affiliated. At present, the plan is to proceed with fall sports. Any protocols associated with athletic events will be communicated by our athletic director.

## Arrivals



Follow online screening protocols.

Wear masks until arriving to one's classroom. (optional for grades 5 & under)

Practice physical distancing.

## Lunch



No Lunch Guests

Wash or sanitize hands before eating and after eating  
Preschool – 5<sup>th</sup> grade students will eat lunch in their classrooms.

6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade students will wear masks until seated to begin eating. Expanded seating will be available in the gym and possibly outdoors to increase physical distancing.

## Physical Education



P.E. classes will take place outside unless prevented by weather (rain or excessive heat or cold). If P.E. students cannot go outside, they will have class in the gym. Indoor P.E. classes will consist of learning activities that do not involve close interaction by students and may include lessons that teach students wellness principles without including physical activity.

Students in grades 5-8 and high school students who choose to take P.E. must wear a P.E. uniform on the days they have P.E. classes. Locker rooms will not be used, so students may wear their P.E. uniforms throughout the school day on their P.E. class days. It is strongly recommended that parents purchase P.E. sweatpants from the online P.E. store, as these will be the only sweatpants allowed to be worn at school.

## Passing Periods



Students in grades 6-12 will be assigned times to go to their lockers to reduce congestion in hallways. Students may take their backpacks to classrooms to minimize time needed at lockers.

## Elementary Enrichment Classes



Teachers will lead enrichment classes in elementary students' regular classrooms. The exception will be Physical Education classes.

## Choir



Secondary choir classes meet in the auditorium, so student spacing will be accommodated. Instruction in these courses may focus on principles of music rather than singing while the pandemic is in effect.

## Elementary Recesses



Individual classes will be separated during recesses to reduce student interactions with those from other classes.

## Classrooms



Students' seating will be facing the same direction with maximum distances between each child. The installation of sneeze guards is also under consideration.

## Chapels



Elementary students will not have chapels at the start of the school year; however, these students will have Bible lessons each day.

Secondary students will have weekly chapels. Approximately, half the students will go to a chapel session in the auditorium, while the other half will have the chapel message livestreamed to their classrooms. Groups will alternate between having chapel in the auditorium and being in classrooms watching the livestream.

## Departure



New car line procedures will be shared prior to the first day of classes.

## Before- & After-School Care



Before-school care and after-school care will continue to be offered to Berean families. Details concerning these services will be communicated prior to the first day of school.

## Mission

Berean Academy exists to glorify God by challenging students to follow Jesus Christ, educating them in the wisdom of God as it applies academically, spiritually, and socially.

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