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RE-ENTRY PLAN

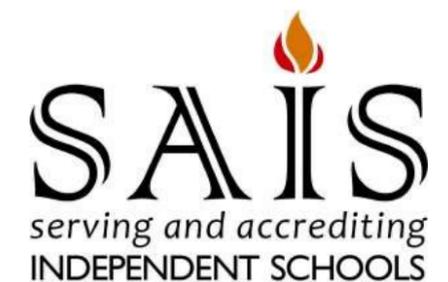
RETURNING SAFELY TO CAMPUS

LaGrange Academy's mission and purpose remain stronger than ever during these challenging times. Last spring, we shifted to a remote learning plan in the context of a global emergency. **However, we are no longer in response mode due to a sudden crisis. It is time to strategically look forward to what is to come.** Over these past months, we have consulted with experts worldwide, updated training plans for staff, and prepared our campus for re-opening.

Our top priority in reuniting our community is the health and safety of our students, faculty/staff, and parents. The following are our principles for re-opening campus.

- Protect the health and safety of our students and employees.
- Be in compliance with government orders.
- Utilize guidelines from the Center for Disease Control, the Georgia Department of Education, and the Department of Public Health.
- Establish plans and procedures to ensure effective use of spaces to support physical distancing.
- Provide students with familiarity to new school routines and procedures.
- Set clear expectations for everyone.

Membership Networks



ONE SCHOOL, THREE FORMATS

LEARNING WILL CONTINUE

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Have local, state, or federal authorities issued a school-closure mandate?

Yes

No

Is your child needing to quarantine due to direct exposure to a positive COVID case?

No

Does your family feel comfortable sending your child to campus at this time?

Yes

No

Yes

Remote Learning

Your child will continue to learn and grow with LaGrange Academy's blend of web-based, live instruction and interaction and pre-recorded videos with regular modifications to ensure that students are receiving a well-balanced and academically fulfilling experience.

Adaptive Learning

While at home, your child will participate in the real-time, on-campus learning through the use of school-provided technology in an immersive, interactive format (full video integration). All resources and assignments will be posted on Google Classroom.

On-Campus Learning

Your child will participate attend school on campus with our enhanced health and safety protocols and procedures. In the event that a child becomes sick or has exposure to a positive COVID case, they will transition to adaptive learning until cleared to return to campus.

Pending any local or state-level restrictions, LaGrange Academy will hold our first day of school on Wednesday, August 12, 2020, as planned. We anticipate following our published academic calendar as planned. However, we are also preparing for potential interruptions and may need to adjust the calendar accordingly. As always, we will remain communicative and provide you with more information when it is available.

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WHAT IS ADAPTIVE LEARNING?

IT IS ALL ABOUT FLEXIBILITY AND CHOICE

The LaGrange Academy Adaptive Learning Format is designed to allow our students at home the opportunity to participate with their classes taking place on-campus in real-time. Adaptive Learning is designed for a smooth transition both into and out of the format.

How does Adaptive Learning work?

Students will log-in to Google Classroom on their school-issued device and select the Google Meet Link at the time that class is scheduled to begin. Students will then see and interact with their teacher and classmates live in their classroom at school. LaGrange Academy has invested in a new “smart” camera/microphone/speaker system, utilizing a 360° view that will auto-focus and zoom-in on the person or persons speaking at a particular time. Teachers will post all assignments and resources on Google Classroom, accessible to every student, whether in on-campus learning or in adaptive learning.

When should my family utilize Adaptive Learning?

- If your child is needing to quarantine after direct contact with a positive COVID case.
- If you feel uncomfortable having your child attend school in-person due to COVID-related concerns.

Note- if your child is too sick to be on-campus, they are not expected to participate in our Adaptive Learning format. They should rest, recover, and only participate if feeling well enough to do so.

PRE-K EXCEPTIONS

SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES FOR OUR PRE-K PROGRAM

Our Pre-K program is classified, by the State of Georgia, as child care and an essential service. As such, in the event of a mandated K-12 school closure, we will be able to keep our youngest students on-campus for the duration of the school-year.



Maintaining Guidelines

In order to allow our pre-k program to continue operating the following guidelines will need to be met:

- All faculty and students would follow the existing protocols and procedures of the Re-entry Plan.
- Students will need to be assigned into small groups of 4-5 students, each assigned to one teacher.
- Each group will meet in their own space and have no interaction with the other groups in order to maintain a cohort system.
- This option will only apply to students enrolled in our pre-K program, no exceptions could be made.

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Returning to campus will look and feel different for us. LaGrange Academy is implementing many changes to ensure our physical campus is safe, to support social distancing, and to promote daily hygiene routines.

1 Prioritizing Facility Spaces and Supplies

- Install an air purification system into every building on campus.
- Clean, sanitize, and disinfect frequently touched surfaces multiple times per day.
- Avoid use of items that are not easily cleaned, sanitized, or disinfected.
- Ensure safe and correct application of disinfectants and keep products away from students.
- Disable all water fountains requiring touch.
- Maintain a minimum reserve of a recommended 30-day supply of soap, disinfectant spray, hand sanitizer, and paper products.



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2 Maintaining Physical Distancing

- Practice appropriate social distancing, as much as possible.
- Avoid gathering in large groups (lunch, recess, and assemblies may be reimagined).
- Rearrange furniture and seating arrangements to maximize space between students, most likely, facing the same direction.
- Avoid communal supplies.
- Create “zones” on campus to minimize cross-age interaction.
- Restrict all visitors to campus to the administrative building.

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3 Promoting Daily Hygiene and Wellness Routines



Practices will be introduced and routinely reinforced for all through signage and trainings.



Daily temperature scan for all students and employees before entering a building.



When entering or exiting classrooms/restrooms all students and employees will be required to use hand sanitizer provided by the school.



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3 Promoting Daily Hygiene and Wellness Routines (cont.)



Based on current recommendations from local medical professionals, the CDC, and the State of Georgia, all students and employees will be required to wear a face covering while on campus. The school will provide a face shield for every student and employee as a minimum requirement. We have chosen face shields due to increased, full-face protection, greater comfort for the wearer, and facial visibility. School-provided face shields will come in several varieties allowing student choice. We believe that face shields allow for more consistent and correct use, resulting in greater protection. The face shields will be assigned to an individual student and remain on campus to be sanitized every evening. This will require students to bring their own face covering to be worn upon entering and exiting campus each day.



Under current guidelines regarding distancing and group sizes, we will not be able to gather in our cafeteria for lunch. As an unfortunate result, it will be too difficult for our partner vendors to sell lunches on campus. All students will need to bring a lunch from home that doesn't require a microwave.



OUR HEALTH AND WELLNESS

WE ARE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER

The changes LaGrange Academy is making to our campus and our procedures are only one aspect of supporting a healthy on-campus learning environment. Keeping our school community healthy is a collective effort, one we are asking everyone to support. With everyone's understanding and support, we have a much better chance of minimizing risk and maintaining a healthy environment for our students, teachers, families, and the wider community.

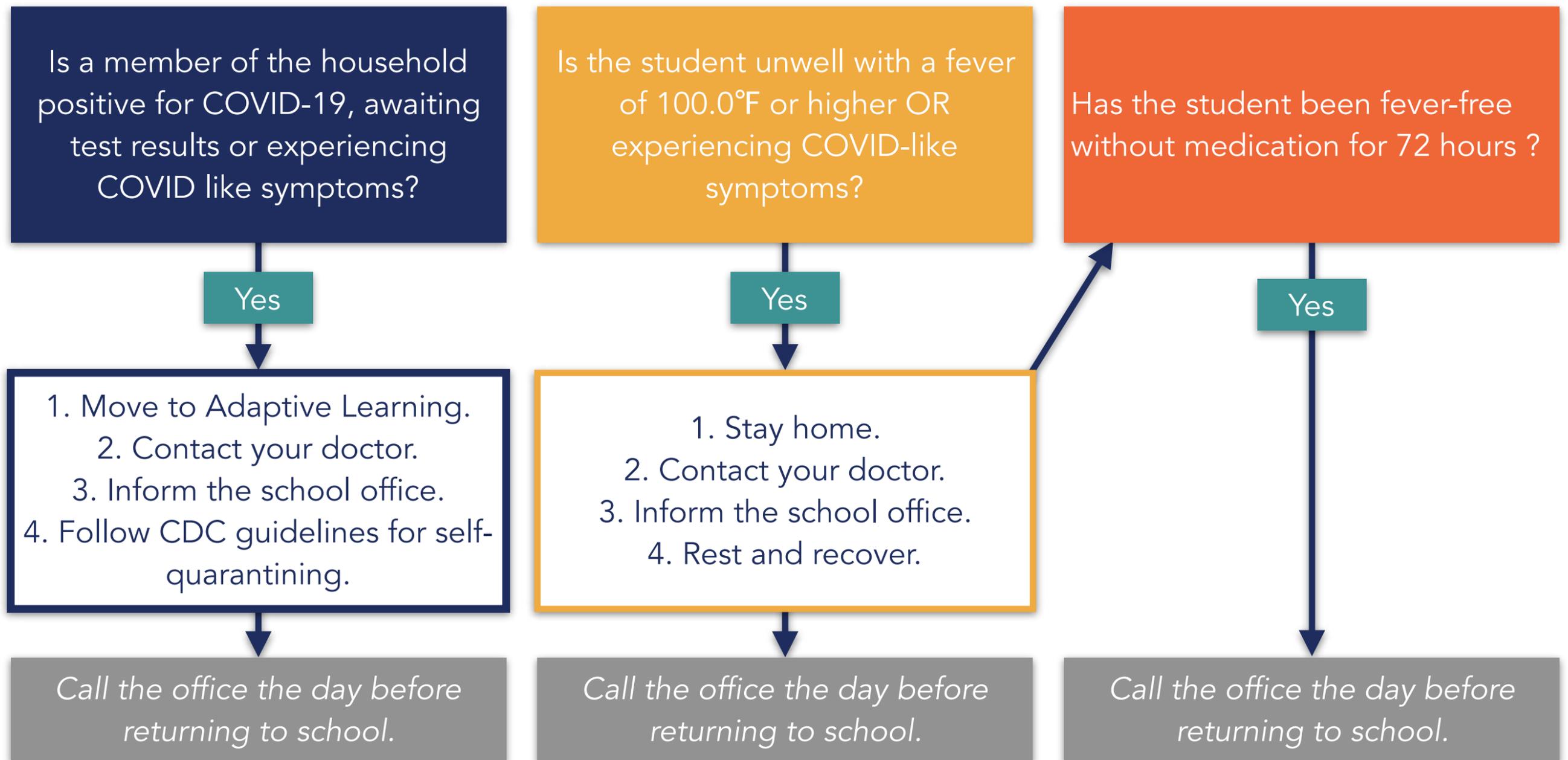


Health and Wellness Pledge

All families must commit to supporting LaGrange Academy's health, wellness, and safety protocols and must agree to keep children home when they are not feeling well, have COVID-like symptoms or have potentially been exposed.

DECIDING WHEN TO STAY HOME

Parents knowing when to keep children home from school and agreeing to do so is a very important part of keeping our campus healthy. To help, we have outlined key protocols to help families determine when a child should stay home.



TECHNOLOGY TOOLS



All students, K-12, will have 1-to-1 access to school issued devices. Students in 4th through 12th grade will be assigned a Chromebook for use at home and at school, while students in K-3rd will have access to Chrome-based tablets or Chromebooks in their classrooms that will also be sent home if a student needs to utilize the Adaptive Learning format or if the entire school is in Remote Learning.



RenWeb will continue to be our school's main administrative information system. Parents and students can access grades, finances, etc.



Google Classroom is not new for LaGrange Academy students and they are accustomed to managing their work, discussions, and assignments through this platform. All class assignments, videos, and announcements will be housed here.



Google Meets will be LaGrange Academy's platform for live instruction, discussion, and connection.

PREPARING FOR INTERRUPTIONS

Following the recommendations from medical experts and trends from past pandemics, Lagrange Academy is preparing for waves of interruption to on-campus learning. In the event our local community experiences a spike in COVID-19 cases and an interruption of physical operations occurs, a shift to either hybrid or remote learning will happen immediately.



If the physical campus closes and LaGrange Academy transitions to remote learning, families will be extended financial credit towards fees coinciding with being on campus (athletics, for example).



Teachers will be prepared with a remote-learning transition plan in the event on-campus learning transitions to the remote learning model. Technological devices, books, and supplies will be readily accessible in the event an interruption occurs.

OUR COMMITMENT TO YOU

During this time of uncertainty and rapidly changing circumstances, there are many things we can not control or predict. However, you can be assured that regardless of the circumstances, your school is committed to, and will continue to:

Delivering on our mission,

Providing students with a high-quality, student-centered learning experiences,

Creating a safe, supportive, and engaging environment,

Communicating clearly and regularly,

And making every day a great day to be at LaGrange Academy.



Flexibility and transparency are of the utmost importance and we want to encourage you to contact our team if you have any questions or concerns about how we are serving your family.

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