



ECA is still committed to making every effort to minimize risk to successfully conduct in-school education. It is our goal to be hypervigilant when it comes to enhanced school hygiene. We feel that through continually educating those involved, our facility modifications, implementing CDC guidelines, and improving processes that we can continue to minimize risk and have a safer in-school experience.

ECA wants to remind all parents that they are the first line of defense and must watch for fever and Covid-19 symptoms before bringing their child(ren) on-campus. Only healthy children can attend on-campus classes! Live Zoom classes can be made available for students if it is determined that a student will be out for an extended period of time. Arrangements must be made through the principal because it does create extra work for the teacher with all other students being in attendance.

It must be noted that parents/guardians and visitors are not allowed in the school unless they have had their temperature taken, used a hand sanitizer and wear a mask or shield. No one other than staff and students are allowed in the classrooms unless prior permission has been obtained from the principal.

Hygiene and Social Distancing Practices

- The inside hallway traffic is drastically restricted. All students will enter and exit their classrooms from the exterior doors of their respective classroom. This includes recess.
- School hours have been staggered and a map was created and sent to parents and employees designating drop off points for the classroom door access. Temps and hand sanitizer are located at the specified drop-off locations.
- Hallways will only be used when there is a restroom emergency or a necessary visit to the office. All employees and students will wear masks or shields when in the school hallways, office, and teacher's workroom.
- An isolation room has been set aside next to the office if a child is not feeling well and needs to be picked up by a parent.
- A class hygiene checklist was created for every classroom, before/after care, and the main office to be completed daily and turned into the office at the end of each week.
- A "pod and bubble" protocol has been established for the two buildings minimizing the amount of exposure the students will have while attending classes.
- Each classroom has a sink for washing hands and teachers will have children wash hands periodically throughout the day. Especially when coming and going from the classroom.
- Additional recesses were added to prevent too many children on the playground.
- Computer classes have been cancelled until further notice.
- A Chromebook process was created to sanitize the books and charging cart after each use.
- In person assemblies were cancelled until further notice and are now done over Zoom.
- Lunch time is confined to the classroom and students will not gather in groups to eat.
- Janitor services were hired with the expectation of disinfecting and thorough cleaning of every classroom, restroom, and common area every night.
- Four pod hygiene monitors are designated to clean and disinfect frequented areas throughout the day, including door handles, surfaces, restrooms, etc.
- There will be no sharing of toys. Sanitizing anything that a child has played with during their stay is mandatory. There will also be no sharing of snacks, drinks, etc.

If you would like a copy of the complete "Moving Forward" Back to School Health & Safety Plan please contact the school and a digital copy will be emailed to you.