

# CHRISTIAN HERITAGE *Academy*



2020-2021  
Student Re-Entry Plan

# The Purpose

James 1:5 states, “If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask God, who gives generously to all without reproach, and it will be given him.” CHA’s re-entry plan has been written after much prayer, research, and wise counsel. Proverbs 11:14 states, “Where there is no guidance, a people falls, but in an abundance of counselors there is safety.” The administration has sought the wise counsel of many Christian and public-school administrators and medical professionals. Scripture also exhorts us to guard what has been entrusted to you (1 Timothy 6:20). It is with these things in mind and a desire to fulfill the ministry that God has given Christian Heritage Academy that this plan is written and communicated.

CHA plans to have students on campus with modifications to support a safe return in the fall of 2020. Students will begin on August 20, 2020 with the expectations that mandatory state guidelines will be followed and other non-regulated, wise health and cleaning procedures will be implemented.

In the event that government officials mandate school closures, all students will transition to distance learning. Distance learning guidelines have been refined to reflect valuable feedback from the Spring 2020 survey.



# On-Campus Learning

CHA's administration continues to prepare for on-campus learning to resume in August. The administration will follow specific health precautions in accordance with local, state, and federal requirements. Specific decisions and plans will continually be developed as more information is forthcoming from government officials.

## **Arrival/Departure**

The standard drop-off and pick-up times will stay the same as outlined in the Parent-Student Handbook. Outside drop-off/pick-up lines will be modified to provide increased physical distancing. Parents will be asked to take their child's temperature each morning prior to coming to school.

## **Athletics**

CHA is a member of Oklahoma Secondary Schools Activities Association (OSSAA). CHA will notify its constituents of any required changes to our athletic programming.

## **Chapel**

Chapel services will be held in the Auditorium. Grade levels will be assigned sections in the auditorium to promote physical distancing.

## **Extended Care**

Before-care and after-care hours will remain the same as outlined in the Parent-Student Handbook. All safety protocols followed during the school day will be adhered to in extended care.

## **Lunch**

K-12<sup>th</sup> grades will eat in the lunchroom. Pre-K will eat in the ABC room. Staggered lunch periods have been developed to promote physical distancing. Automatic hand sanitizers will be used in the cafeteria. Increased cleaning precautions have been established. Parents will not be allowed to eat on campus with their student. Parents may take their child off campus to eat.



## **Passing Periods**

Secondary students will be expected to wear a mask in the halls during passing periods. When fifth- and sixth-grade students are in the secondary hallways, they will be expected to wear a mask. Increased teacher and administrator presence will be in the halls to promote physical distancing. Each classroom will have access to hand sanitizer which students will use when entering and exiting a room. This includes the gymnasium.

## **Overnight Events**

There will be no overnight events in the fall semester.

## **Recess**

Students will be allowed to play on the playground. Only one grade-level at a time will be present at any given time. Extra contact precautions will be taken in between uses.

## **School Events**

Throughout the year, CHA does host all-school events such as the Christmas program, Easter program, musical concerts, Fall Festival, Welcome Back Blue Cru, etc. Prior to each of these events, specific guidelines will be sent to constituents. Recommendations for crowd size and physical distancing will be taken into consideration.

## **School Supplies**

Students will not be sharing supplies/devices. Students will keep items at his/her desk or designated space in the classroom. Items that must be shared will be disinfected between each student's use.

## **Snacks**

No class-wide snacks will be allowed or distributed at school. Students choosing to bring a snack to school may bring an individually wrapped snack for themselves.

## **Student Transportation**

Students will be expected to wear a mask when riding on school transportation.



## **Water Hydration Stations**

Students are encouraged to bring their own water from home. Students may use the water bottle filling stations. Traditional water fountains will not be used.



# Physical Campus

## **Campus Access**

The Lord has provided CHA with the resources to upgrade its campus security. With the newly remodeled elementary school entrance, all elementary parents and visitors will report to the elementary office. All secondary parents and visitors will report to the main office. Visitors needing to enter the building beyond an administrative office during the school day will have their temperature checked, check-in at a SchoolSafeID kiosk, be asked a few simple health questions, and expected to wear a mask.

## **Masks**

When in the secondary hallways and locker rooms, secondary students will be expected to wear masks. In the classroom, masks will be OPTIONAL. When physical distancing is not feasible, masks will be expected. All students, employees, and visitors are required to have a face covering in their possession when on campus. Mask should be consistent with the spirit of the CHA dress code.

## **Physical Distancing**

We will do our best to accommodate physical distancing in common spaces such as hallways, gym, locker rooms, auditorium, and cafeteria.

## **Sanitizing/Cleaning Procedures**

CHA has established increased methods for cleaning. All classrooms and common areas will have hand-sanitizer stations and surface cleansers. Classrooms will be sanitized daily with deep cleaning conducted regularly. Bathrooms will be regularly cleaned throughout the day.



**How did CHA make the decision to reopen campus?**

We believe that returning to school holds deep value in the lives of our students and families. The school has developed a re-entry plan to help address the myriad of challenges before us.

**Will the school year be altered?**

The school calendar will remain the same for the 2020-21 school year unless unforeseen circumstances occur.

**What is a fever? 100.4 F****When can a student return to school after a fever?**

Fever symptoms require a 48-hour symptom-free (non-medicine) period before returning. These short-term (3-day) absences for fever symptoms will not count towards the student's non-exempt absences and do not require a doctor's note. In the event that a student cannot attend school for a longer period of time (4 days-three weeks) because of health reasons, the student will be allowed to continue learning following the sick policy outlined in the Parent-Student Handbook. A doctor's note that the student is "cleared to return" **is required** for medical absences of four days or longer. Any medical absence extending beyond three weeks will be reviewed by administration.

**When can a student return to school after vomiting?**

A student may return to school after 48-hours of last vomiting. If a student misses three days of school (one day with symptoms and two days without), these days will not count towards the student's non-exempt absences and do not require a doctor's note. In the event that a student cannot attend school for a longer period of time (4 days-three weeks) because of health reasons, the student will be allowed to continue learning following the sick policy outlined in the Parent-Student Handbook. A doctor's note that the student is "cleared to return" **is required** for medical absences of four days or longer. Any medical absence extending beyond three weeks will be reviewed by administration.



**Is the school taking temperatures?**

Parents will receive a regular text reminding them to check their child's temperature each morning before coming to school. We are also asking all employees to take their temperature prior to arrival each day. Visitors needing to enter the building beyond an administrative office during the school day will have their temperature checked.

**What do I do if my student is diagnosed with COVID?**

If a student is diagnosed with COVID or any other medical condition which would require him/her to miss school, contact the school and contact medical personnel.

**What do I do if someone in our immediate family is diagnosed with COVID?**

Families should follow the medical professional's recommendation.

**Will the school notify its constituents if a student is diagnosed with COVID?**

Under FERPA regulations, the school will communicate any information only if required by medical professionals and written permission is granted by the individual.

**If a positive case is reported, how do I find out more information?**

Because of FERPA regulations, the school cannot legally confirm or deny any test results. The school will rely on medical professionals who are legally responsible to trace and contact all reported individuals who "have had close contact" with the positive test. We will also rely on medical professionals to share with us any additional steps that may be required of us and will communicate to constituents as directed by the medical professionals.

**What is the plan if a student is not comfortable attending the physical campus?**

CHA plans to have students on campus. In the event that government officials mandate school closures, all students will transition to distance learning.

**Will students be required to test for COVID?**

CHA cannot require testing. A doctor's note that the student is "cleared to return" **is required** for medical absences of four days or longer.

**Will digital learning platforms be used in the traditional classroom?**

Digital learning is a great tool for student learning. Digital learning opportunities will be required at least one time a month for all classes.





### **What are the guidelines for international students?**

We will follow guidelines established by SEVIS (the Student and Exchange Visitor Program) and ICE (U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement).

### **How can I help the school as a parent?**

- Provide two containers of disinfectant wipes for each student to their first-hour/homeroom teacher.
- Take your child's temperature on a daily basis prior to them leaving the house.
- Keep students home if they exhibit any symptoms of any illness.
- Ensure your student has a mask or other appropriate face covering to have at school.
- Communicate any concerns regarding the health or academic needs of your student directly with your child's teacher or administrator.

### **What are the COVID-19 Symptoms?**

If a teacher or school employee suspects that a student has symptoms consistent with COVID-19, he/she will be seen by designated school office staff. Parents or guardians may be contacted to pick up their student. Symptoms include:

- Fever (100.4) or chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea

For more information, visit the following website:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus>

