International Charter Academy of Georgia
School Re-Opening COVID-19 Procedures

2020-2021
## GUIDELINES

**COVID-19 LEVEL OF SPREAD / SCHOOL DISTRICT DECISION TREE**
Reference: Georgia’s Path to Recovery for K-12 Schools

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<td>Isolate and disinfect affected areas OR Short-term Closure Close for facility-wide deep cleaning OR Extended Closure Close buildings for at least 14 days</td>
<td>Implement targeted distance/remote learning or district-wide distance/remote learning as necessary</td>
<td>Implement more intensive mitigation strategies; encourage enhanced social distancing (use Targeted Closure)</td>
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<td>Limited/Staggered Use of School Buildings Implement alternating schedules for students; target distance/remote learning</td>
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<td>School Buildings Open Implement preventative practices and additional proactive processes/protocols</td>
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## Screening for and Responding to COVID-19 in K-12 Schools

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<td><strong>No symptoms OR Direct Exposure</strong>*&lt;br&gt;No signs of COVID-19 via temp checks, self-reporting or signs/symptoms</td>
<td>Proceed to School/Work&lt;br&gt;Implement recommendations outlines in “Georgia’s Path to Recovery for K-12 Schools”</td>
<td>Implement Preventative Practices&lt;br&gt;Implement recommendations outlined in “Georgia’s Path to Recovery for K-12 Schools”</td>
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<td><em><em>Direct Exposure</em>, No Symptoms</em>*&lt;br&gt;Came in close contact or interacted with a confirmed case of COVID-19 – experiencing no symptoms</td>
<td>Can Return to School/Work after:&lt;br&gt;• Impacted students or staff have completed all requirements in the DPH’s “Return to School Guidance”&lt;br&gt;• If this person is tested for COVID-19 during the 14 day quarantine period, a negative test result would not change or decrease the time a person is monitored, but a positive test would move the person into one of the categories below based on whether they are still asymptomatic or have developed symptoms</td>
<td>Implement Enhanced Mitigation Measures&lt;br&gt;Implement recommendations outlined in “Georgia’s Path to Recovery for K-12 Schools”</td>
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<td><em><em>Direct Exposure</em>, At least 1 Symptom</em>*&lt;br&gt;Came in close contact or interacted with a confirmed case of COVID-19 – experiencing at least 1 symptom</td>
<td>Can Return to School/Work after:&lt;br&gt;• At least 3 days (72 hours) have passed since recovery defined as resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications AND improvement in respiratory symptoms (e.g. cough, shortness of breath);&lt;br&gt;<strong>AND</strong>&lt;br&gt;• At least 10 days have passed since symptoms first appeared&lt;br&gt;<em>Refer to DPH’s “Return to School Guidance”</em></td>
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| **Diagnosis, No Symptoms**  
Laboratory-confirmed case of COVID-19  
But experiencing no symptoms (asymptomatic) | Can Return to School/Work after:  
- At least 10 days have passed since the positive laboratory test and the person remains asymptomatic.  
Asymptomatic persons who test positive and later develop symptoms should follow the guidance for symptomatic persons below.  
Refer to DPH’s “Return to School Guidance” | **Targeted Closure**  
Close off affected areas (i.e. classrooms, office, etc. and if possible, wait 24 hours before deep cleaning and disinfecting**  
OR  
**Short-term Closure**  
Close for facility-wide deep cleaning  
OR  
**Long-term Closure**  
Close building(s) for at least 14 days  

| **Diagnosis, with Symptoms**  
Laboratory-confirmed case of COVID-19 | Can Return to School After:  
- At least 3 days (72 hours) have passed since recovery defined as resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications AND improvement in respiratory symptoms (e.g. cough, shortness of breath)  
**AND**  
- At least 10 days have passed since symptoms first appeared.  
*Refer to DPH’s “Return to School Guidance”** | **Implement Enhanced Mitigation Measures**  
Implement recommendations outlined in “Georgia’s Path to Recovery for K-12 Schools” |
For most schools around the country, there are three reopening scenarios: 1) The Hybrid Model 2) Distance Learning or 3) Life Before COVID-19. The leadership team will reassess the situation and modify learning plans every nine weeks. Families will be notified as soon as possible to prepare for any and all changes.

Option #1 – The Hybrid Model:
The hybrid model is a combination of distance learning and face to face instruction. Students have the opportunity to receive instruction for two days on campus and three days digitally. To minimize the spread of COVID-19, we will stagger enrollment to decrease class sizes. For example, students will be split into two groups: (Groups A and B). Each day, one half the population will receive in person instruction while the other half receives instruction online. Friday instruction will also be online. The school day will begin 8:15am. Parents must arrive no later than 8:09am. Students will be dismissed by noon to prevent the spread of the virus as well as allow clean up to prepare for the next school day. As an option, students who are not able to attend live lessons will have access to recorded lessons on the learning management system.

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Note 1 (Hybrid Model): Siblings will be grouped together.
Note 2 (Hybrid Model): Families who feel insecure about on campus instruction may choose to log-in five days per week. Either way, following a consistent schedule for your child is highly encouraged.
Note 3 (Hybrid Model and Distance Learning): ESOL, Gifted, and Special Ed services will be provided throughout the week.
Option #2 - Distance Learning:
In the distance learning model, all instruction is conducted online. Students will be provided a scheduled time to meet with their teachers to receive live instruction. As an option, students who are not able to attend live lessons will have access to recorded lessons on the learning management system.

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<td>7:45 - 8:00 Breakfast</td>
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<td>8:15 - 12:00 Online Instruction w/Teachers</td>
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<td>12:00 - 12:30 Lunch</td>
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<td>12:30 - 1:00 Recess/Fresh Air Time (go for a walk or run)</td>
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<td>1:00 - 1:30 Art, PE, or Music w/Parents (every 3 days)</td>
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<td>1:30 - 2:30 Flex Learning Time</td>
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<td>• read aloud or silently</td>
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<td>• Use online platform (IXL, Imagine Learning, Reading Plus) or play a board game</td>
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Note 3 (Hybrid Model and Distance Learning): ESOL, Gifted, and Special Ed services will be provided throughout the week.

Option #1 and Option #2
Attendance Note: Students will submit daily assignments to be counted as present for each school day by 8 pm.

Option #3 - Traditional Learning:
In the traditional learning model, students receive instruction face to face on the school campus. School hours and campus activities may return to normal (life before COVID-19) depending on recommendations from CDC and school officials.

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<td>Dismissal Begins (M-R)</td>
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<td><strong>ARRIVALS</strong></td>
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<td>(7:30AM TO 8:09AM)</td>
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<td><strong>AT-HOME TEMPERATURE CHECK</strong></td>
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<td>o Before leaving home, please check your child’s temperature. If your child has a fever of 100.4F or higher, please keep your child at home and contact the main office via email.</td>
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<td>o If your child suffers from asthma or any other upper respiratory illnesses, please contact the school nurse to discuss the necessary steps to take.</td>
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<td>o Upon arrival at ICAGeorgia, all families drive up in the carpool lane. STUDENTS AND FAMILIES MUST REMAIN IN YOUR CARS UNTIL BEING SCREENED FOR TEMPERATURE BY ICAGEORGIA STAFF.</td>
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<td><strong>ENTERING SCHOOL BUILDINGS</strong></td>
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<td>o Students will go directly to their designated classrooms after temperature and symptoms check are cleared.</td>
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<td>o Masks or face coverings for students are highly encouraged but not required. Teachers and Staff are required to wear a mask or face coverings.</td>
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<td><strong>ATTENDANCE/TARDY</strong></td>
<td>Teachers take attendance at the beginning of each period for distance learning.</td>
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<td>o If students are unable to join zoom classes, they must complete the assignment by 8pm for the attendance to be present.</td>
<td>o If a student is not present in the classroom or online at the time of taking attendance, a student is marked as tardy or absent.</td>
<td>o For excused absence/tardy, a parent must submit the doctor’s note or send a parent note to the office e-mail (<a href="mailto:info@internationalcharteracademy.org">info@internationalcharteracademy.org</a>). Please refer to the Student Handbook for more details.</td>
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<td><strong>CLASSROOMS &amp; TRANSITIONS</strong></td>
<td>SCHOOL BUILDINGS CLOSED</td>
<td>Student desks to be placed per social distance guideline.</td>
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<td>o 15 students at maximum in one classroom</td>
<td>o Students remain in their homeroom classroom.</td>
<td>o Cafeteria and the Gym closed.</td>
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<td>o Student desks/chairs and supplies not to be shared as much as possible.</td>
<td>o Restroom breaks to be staggered.</td>
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<td><strong>LUNCH</strong></td>
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<td>• Students are dismissed before lunch time.</td>
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<td>• Atlanta Lunch Co. is available to deliver brown bag take-home lunches to ICAGeorgia for the families who placed an advanced order online.</td>
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<td>• If you order the take-home lunch through Atlanta Lunch Co., lunches will be distributed to your students prior to dismissal time.</td>
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<td>• Water fountains in the school buildings are closed in order to reduce the spread of virus. Please make sure that students bring their own water bottles.</td>
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<td>• Free &amp; Reduced Lunch Program is available. Please contact the main office for the information.</td>
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<td><strong>DISMISSALS</strong></td>
<td>SCHOOL BUILDINGS CLOSED</td>
<td>• In order to keep the social distance as much as possible, dismissals will be staggered by grades. Please be prompt at your scheduled dismissal times.</td>
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<td>• For siblings, please pick up at your youngest child’s time slot. Ex. if you have Kindergarten and 4th grade, please pick up both of your children between 11:35-11:45.</td>
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<td>➢ 11:35-11:45 Kindergarten</td>
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<td>➢ 11:55-12:00 2nd &amp; 5th grade</td>
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<td>➢ 12:00-12:05 Outside After School Care Pick-up</td>
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<td><strong>VISITORS/VOLUNTEERS TO SCHOOL</strong></td>
<td>SCHOOL BUILDINGS CLOSED</td>
<td>• Making the advanced appointment is required.</td>
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<td>• Visitors/volunteers must call the main office (Phone: 770-604-0007) from the parking lot before approaching the school buildings.</td>
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<td>• Before entering the buildings, all visitors to be screened for temperature.</td>
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<td>• Number of visitors inside the buildings will be monitored.</td>
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<td>• Visitors are required to wear a mask or face coverings while being inside the buildings</td>
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<td>• 2 people in the main reception area are allowed to follow social distancing guidelines.</td>
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| SUBSTANTIAL SPREAD LEVEL 1 | AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM (GENERATION INFOCUS) | SCHOOL BUILDINGS CLOSED | Options are as follows:
|                           |                    |                  | ➢ Full time GI student, onsite (spots are limited)  
|                           |                    |                  | ➢ Extended day GI student, onsite (spots are limited)  
|                           |                    |                  | ➢ Virtual GI students, attending from home (three options)  
|                           |                    |                  | If families are interested, please contact Generation Infocus directly. |
| MINIMAL/ MODERATE SPREAD LEVEL 2 | TEACHERS & STAFF | SCHOOL BUILDINGS CLOSED | ● At the time of check-in, the temperature screening to be conducted by the central office staff.  
|                           |                    |                  | ● If sick, teachers and staff to stay home and inform the administrators via email.  
|                           |                    |                  | ● Face mask or face covering is required.  
|                           |                    |                  | ● Face shield to be provided by the school. |
| LOW/ NO SPREAD LEVEL 3 | CLEANING & DISINFECTING | CLEANING TO BE CONDUCTED BY THE SCHOOL-APPOINTED CLEANING COMPANY | ● CLASSROOM: after each period, highly touched surface to be cleaned and disinfected by teachers.  
|                           |                    |                  | ● BATHROOM: a team of teachers is scheduled to clean and disinfect the highly surfaced areas throughout the day.  
|                           |                    |                  | ● AFTER SCHOOL: school appointed cleaning company cleans and disinfects the classrooms, bathrooms, office, and common areas each day. |
COMMUNICATION

ICAGeorgia families’ safety is paramount. It is critical for the school to be able to contact parents/guardians. The school has the parents'/guardians’ current address and home, cellular, and business telephone numbers. Emergency contact persons/guardians and their telephone numbers are needed in case a parent/guardian cannot be reached. This information is required at the time of registration and whenever a change occurs with the parents'/guardians’ address, telephone or emergency contact information.

The school informs its stakeholders for emergency announcement and changes in instructional models due to the pandemic.

The school announcement will be made via the following media tools:
- ICAGeorgia website: www.internationalcharteracademy.org
- School-wide email
- ICAGeorgia official Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/internationalcharteracademyofgeorgia

MEDICAL

PREPERATION FOR BACK-TO-SCHOOL:
- Practice washing hands per CDC guidelines at home

- If your child suffers from asthma or any other upper respiratory illnesses, please contact the school nurse to discuss the necessary steps to take.

RECOGNIZE SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS:
- Daily temperature screenings will be conducted at the beginning of the school day, and this will include both students and staff.

- Symptom screenings will be conducted, by the nurse, for anyone exhibiting COVID-19 symptoms. Anyone who exhibits symptoms will be immediately isolated and sent home or the hospital depending on the severity of the symptoms.

BEHAVIORS TO REDUCE SPREAD:
- If you or your child are sick or has had close contact with a person with COVID-19 or has tested positive, please remain at home and seek medical care.
● Face coverings/masks may be challenging for students (especially the younger students), however they should be worn by students and staff especially when distancing is difficult.

● Our students should be educated by parents and teachers about the severity of contracting the virus in order to understand that hugging and touching each other and or staff is no longer a healthy practice.

WHEN A STUDENT, STAFF MEMBER OR VISITOR BECOMES SICK AT SCHOOL

● Working with school nurse, the individual will be sent to an isolation room or area to separate anyone who exhibits COVID-like symptoms.

● If temperature registers at 99 degrees Fahrenheit, the school nurse will monitor the individual and recheck temperature two hours later to determine if the individual still has a fever.

EMOTIONAL SUPPORT

● Emotional support is available for all ICAGeorgia families. Please contact the School Nurse.

What should I do if my child exhibits symptoms?
Contact your doctor, a local public health clinic, or the local board of health. The Georgia Department of Public Health is currently advising that individuals who have traveled from affected countries/areas in the past 14 days and have a fever, cough, or difficulty breathing should seek medical care, and should contact their healthcare provider and inform them of their travel history before going in.
FAQs

ACADEMICS

Q1. Is 3 ½ hours an adequate amount of time to allow students to learn?
A1. The teaching schedule is temporary, the morning hours will focus on core content areas. In addition to the schedule, students will receive online subscriptions to IXL.com, Lexia, and Reading Plus to review and practice skills. Finally, they will have access to Miraiseed for Japanese instructional material. The leadership team will continuously review the schedule and make the necessary adjustments.

Q2. When will parents receive notification of our child’s schedule and the days required to attend school?
A2. The team is currently working with Operations to stagger enrollment. The teachers will be contacting parents and releasing information about students that are in groups A and B.

Q3. Will there be pre-recorded sessions for children?
A3. Yes. Teachers will post their live lessons on Google Classroom for the students who would like to go back to the lesson later.

Q4. Do students have to wear uniform for online class as well while they are at home?
A4. When students are learning online, they can decide what to wear. When coming to school, uniforms are required.

Q5. Which app will be used for teaching online?
A5. Teachers will be sending an email with specifics about the platform and how it will be utilized.

Q6. Can parents decide to have online class or in school daily?
A6. Yes. Your child’s teacher will email you and ask you for your preference. You also have an option to choose 100% online.

Q7. Do we still bring the school supplies on the list to school even if you choose online schooling 5 days per week?
A7. Please bring English and Japanese classes’ school supplies on the first day you return to the campus.

Q8. Will there be a Back to School/Curriculum Day on Thursday, July 30th? If yes, virtual or in-person?
A8. Team Teachers Meet & Greet via Zoom will be scheduled, and ICAGeorgia families will receive a welcome e-mail from your child’s teacher. The email will have the zoom access information for the team teacher Meet & Greet.

Q9. When do the children get evaluated to determine which Japanese program (JLA/JSOL1/JSOL2) they will be placed in for 2020/2021 school year?
A9. JSOL Coordinator is working on solutions.

Q10. Can we switch between online 5-days and hybrid (online & face to face) classes?
A10. Yes, families have flexibility to do online 5-days or hybrid. When you decide to do hybrid, please make sure to come to the school on your scheduled in-person day.
Q11. While most local schools are planning full-day learning, I understand that ICAG will end at noon. How do we accomplish the hours/days required by the State?
A11. Our schedule meets the hours and days required by Georgia Department of Education.

Q12. My concern for returning to school would be to have my child to be placed on Monday/Wednesday remote days due to my work schedule.
A12. We understand that full-time working parents may have a conflicting schedule. If you have a specific request now, please email your request to the main office at info@internationalcharteracademy.org or speak to your child’s teacher.

Q13. The Hybrid Model (Option #1) - For the 2 days of on-campus instruction – please clarify - will there be digital instruction in the afternoon or does the school day end at noon on those 2 days? (i.e., there will be no classes after 12, every day?)
A13. Our leadership team is re-evaluating the afternoon program. As soon as we have an update, we will share it with the community.

Q14. My son will be entering the 2nd grade. Will it be possible to see a more detailed curriculum / learning plan than the sample hybrid schedule provided in the ICAG Family Re-Opening Letter?
A14. The curriculum will be shared via e-mail in the monthly classroom newsletter from your child’s teacher.

Q15. Will ICAG provide culturally sensitive training and/or resources to teachers and staff on how to talk to and support children during this pandemic?
A15. We are looking into providing necessary support for our community.

Q16. Will the digital learning schedule be synchronous learning or is it flexible?
A16. Yes, the distance learning and in-person class will be synchronous learning.

**OPERATIONS**

Q1. Will specific details be available for policies and practices that are put in place to limit the spread?
A3. Yes, please review the Operations and the Medical pages in this booklet. Please know that the safety of ICAGeorgia families is our priority.

Q2. Are the Student Supply Lists up to date on the school website?
A2. Yes the lists have been uploaded on the school website.

Q3. Are we going to have a Fall Picture Day?
A3. As soon as it is decided, we will send you an update.

Q4. Can Parents come into the building (classroom) with children? Or only drop off option on the first day of school?
A4. Due to the safety of our children and staff, parents will not be allowed to enter classrooms. Drop off only at this time.

Q5. Was parental input solicited and considered when this decision was made? If so, how did that occur?
A5. The leadership team utilized all stakeholder data to determine the best solution for the safety of the students at this time.
Q6. Is there any chance that the hybrid model might change before the school starts? The hybrid schedule does not fit into our work/family schedule.
A6. Students’ safety is our priority. Currently, ICAG will continue monitoring and make a decision per data to ensure everyone’s health and safety.

Q7. What specific procedures/steps will ICAG take if a staff member or student shows symptoms of COVID-19?
A7. Please refer to the Medical section of this booklet.

Q8. What changes and modifications, if any, have been made to the classrooms and other school’s facilities to accommodate for social/physical distancing per CDC recommendations (e.g., space seating/desks at least 6 feet apart when feasible)?
A8. We have placed the CDC guideline posters regarding the hand-washing, mask/face covering, social distancing, etc. in the high traffic areas in both buildings. Acrylic dividers have been placed at the front desk. Face shields, no-touch thermometers, gloves, face masks have been ordered and received. Hand wipes, disinfecting wipes and sanitizing gels are available in the common areas and in each classroom.

Q9. Please describe or provide protocol for cleaning and disinfecting.
Teachers and staff will clean and disinfect the highly touched surfaces areas throughout the day. After hours, the cleaning crew will deep-clean and disinfect the building each day.

**AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM**

Q1. Will there be after school care available?
A1. We are in the process of discussing options with Generation Focus for after school care.

Q2. Are there any childcare centers willing to pick up from school?
A2. Yes. In addition to our on-site provider, Generation Infocus, we have a couple of local childcare centers come to pick up our students. Please contact the main office for the list of childcare centers if interested.

Q3. Is anyone communicating about having camps for the days kids are not in school?
A3. Students have 2 days of face to face instruction and 3 days of distance learning per week. Under the Georgia Department of Education policy, attendance is required. There has been no discussion about day camps.

Q4. Is there anything available for parents who may not be able to afford the additional cost of childcare?
A4. It would be best to research any options for childcare, but there is an option for 100% distance learning.

Q5. Wondering if an afterschool program will be offered and lunch?
A5. Our school’s lunch catering company, Atlanta Lunch Co., will have an option to provide take-home brown bag lunch option. As soon as we have more updates, we will share it with the community.
RESOURCES

Planning

CDC COVID 19: Considerations for Schools

COVID-19 Federal and State Resources for Schools Portal
https://www.ed.gov/coronavirus

FEMA Continuity Plan Template & Instructions for Non-Federal Entities and Community-Based Organizations
https://www.fema.gov/media-library-data/1389194640607-1a5f9a6d6557846f6e5924eea089f798/Non+Federal+Continuity+Plan+Template+and+Instructions.pdf

Implementing Safety Practices for Critical Infrastructure Workers Exposed to COVID-19

U.S. DOE COVID-19 Information and Resources for Schools and School Personnel
https://www.ed.gov/coronavirus

National School Boards Association (NSBA) Coronavirus Resources
https://nsba.org/Resources/coronavirus

National School Boards Association Center for Safe Schools
https://www.nsba4safeschools.org/home

Physical, Psychological & Behavioral Health

National Association of School Psychologists Health Crisis Resources

American School Counselor Association (ASCA)
https://www.schoolcounselor.org/

Georgia School Counselor Association
https://www.gaschoolcounselor.org/

National Association of School Nurses
https://www.nasn.org/home
Coalition to Support Grieving Students
https://grievingstudents.org/

American Academy of Pediatrics

American Academy of Pediatrics-Novel Coronavirus

Physical Plant/Facilities

CDC Recommendations for Cleaning and Disinfecting Facilities

USDA Food Service Guidelines in Response to COVID-19

Association of Physical Plant Administrators (APPA) COVID-19 Resources & Guidelines
https://www appa.org/covid19-resources-and-guidelines/

Georgia Association of School Facilities Administrators (GASFA)
https://gasfa.org/

National Association for Pupil Transportation
https://www.napt.org/

Georgia Association of Pupil Transportation (GAPT)
https://www.gaptonline.org/

Communications

Georgia School Public Relations Association
https://www.gspra.org/

Managing Emergency Communications, Alerts, and Warnings /Notifications
https://rems.ed.gov/ResourcesAlertsCommAndWarnings.aspx

CDC Crisis and Emergency Risk Communication
https://emergency.cdc.gov/cerc/
Public Wi-Fi locations in Georgia
https://georgia-dca.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=5fed233c11c9417b940d93d8c0b68498

Guidance

Georgia School Counselor Association
https://www.gaschoolcounselor.org/

Missouri School Boards’ Association Center for Education Safety
https://www.mosba.org/safety-task-force/

Missouri School Boards’ Association Resources for COVID-19 Pandemic

National Education Association’s School Crisis Guide

Georgia School Pandemic Guide

U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission
https://www.eeoc.gov/coronavirus

State & Federal Agencies

Georgia Department of Education
https://www.gadoe.org/Pages/Home.aspx

Georgia Department of Education COVID-19
https://www.georgiainsights.com/coronavirus.html

State Charter Schools Commission of Georgia
https://scsc.georgia.gov/

State Charter Schools Foundation of Georgia
https://scsfga.org/

Georgia Department of Mental Health
https://dbhdd.georgia.gov/
Crisis Contacts
https://www.georgiainsights.com/crisis-contacts.html

Georgia’s COVID-19 Hotline
844-442-2681

Georgia Department of Public Health
https://dph.georgia.gov/

Georgia Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency (GEMA/HS)
https://gema.georgia.gov/

Readiness & Emergency Management for Schools Technical Assistance Center (REMS TA)
https://rems.ed.gov/

U.S. Centers for Disease Control (CDC)
https://www.cdc.gov/

U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS)
https://www.dhs.gov/

U.S. Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)
https://www.fema.gov/

https://www.schoollabsafety.gov/

U.S. Department of Education
https://www.ed.gov/coronavirus