

REOPENING PLAN

*Tennessee Avenue
Christian Academy
2020-2021 Parents' Guide*

RETURNING SAFELY

We are excited to return to school as scheduled. During these unprecedented times, it is imperative that we take the necessary precautions while also maintaining the integrity of the academic experience and the classroom instructional value.

In accordance with recommendations of the CDC, we have outlined three phases for educating your child for the 2020-2021 school year. We will begin the year in phase two. We will transition to either phase one or phase three as it is deemed appropriate.

Please understand that student health and safety is our top priority, and we will strive to mitigate risk as much as possible. It is our desire to offer the best possible educational experience for your child while maintaining protocols that protect students and families as much as possible.

Students and employees that test positive for COVID-19, exhibit fever of 100.4 or higher, or exhibit a combination of the symptoms of COVID-19 will be excluded from school.

These symptoms include:

- *Fever or chills*
- *Cough*
- *Shortness of breath/difficulty breathing*
- *Repeated shaking with chills*
- *Headache*
- *Sore throat*
- *Muscle pain*
- *New loss of taste or smell*



Students Excluded from School

Please Note:

- If a student is excluded from school, his/her siblings (or other students living in the same household) will also be excluded from school and asked to self-quarantine until that family member meets the given requirements to return to school.
- As we receive notification of any student excluded, the school will be additionally sanitized and disinfected in specific areas/workspaces.
- Students meeting exclusion criteria during the school day will wait in an isolated room, be issued a mask, and parents will be called for pick-up.
- Parents will be notified if your child has potentially been directly exposed to COVID-19. We will maintain confidentiality unless a directive is issued by the health department.
- Masks are not required during the school day, but if a student chooses to wear a mask, they should be appropriate for the school setting and should contain no inappropriate writing, pictures, etc.

If a student is excluded from school, but has not been tested for COVID-19, they may only return to school after:

- No fever for at least 48 hours (without the aid of fever-reducing medication); and
- Symptoms have improved; and
- Three calendar days have passed since the first symptoms appeared

If a student is excluded from school, and has tested positive for COVID-19 with symptoms, they may only return to school after:

- No fever for at least 48 hours (without the aid of fever-reducing medication); and
- Symptoms have improved; and
- Student has been released by the health department

If a student is excluded from school, and has tested positive for COVID-19 without symptoms, they may only return to school after:

- Student has been released by the health department

PARENTS CAN HELP MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Practice and reinforce good prevention habits with your family.

- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.
- Wash hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not readily available, use a hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol.

PHASE THREE

Drop Off Procedures

- *Temperature checks will be conducted outside of the school entrance.*
- *Students will enter only through the designated door(s).*
- *We will document all temperatures above 100.4 and students will be sent home.*
- *Doors will be propped open for hands-free access.*
- *Parents will not be allowed inside the school building.*

Visitors

- *Visitors will be allowed, but will be asked a series of questions and have temperatures checked.*
- *The school office will be closed to all individuals without a scheduled appointment.*

Assemblies

- *Normal protocols for all attendees (including visitors)*
- *Staff will sanitize between events.*
- *Hand sanitizer stations will be at entryways.*

Lunch

- *Normal protocols will be followed.*
- *Staff members will sanitize between groups.*
- *Hand sanitizer stations will be at various locations.*
- *Modified distribution of serving lines to include pre-packaged items and utensils.*

Playground

- *Students will wash hands before & after use.*
- *Only one grade level at a time will be on the playground.*
- *Playground equipment will be sanitized throughout the day.*

Classroom Practice

- *Normal classroom procedures mindful of seating arrangements.*
- *Classrooms will be sanitized daily.*
- *Hand sanitizer stations will be present in various locations on campus.*

Extra-Curricular

- *There will be temperature checks for all indoor events*
- *Signage will be displayed with questions/warnings prior to entry*
- *All opposing players will have temperatures checked upon arrival.*

Dismissal

- *Temperatures must be scanned for re-entry.*
- *Aftercare will follow normal protocols for dismissal.*

Water Fountains

- *Water fountains will not be accessible for students.*
- *Water bottles should be brought from home and labeled with the student's name.*
- *Water stations will be made available.*

PHASE TWO

Drop Off Procedures

- *Temperature checks will be conducted outside of the school entrance.*
- *Students will enter only through the designated door(s).*
- *We will document all temperatures above 100.4 and students will be sent home.*
- *Doors will be propped open for hands-free access.*
- *Parents will not be allowed inside the school building.*

Visitors

- *Visitors will not be allowed.*
- *The school office will be closed to all individuals without a scheduled appointment.*

Assemblies

- *Normal protocols for all attendees (including visitors)*
- *Staff will sanitize between events.*
- *Hand sanitizer stations will be at entryways.*

Lunch

- *Seating arrangements will be in place for social distancing.*
- *Staff members will sanitize between groups.*
- *Hand sanitizer stations will be at various locations.*
- *Modified distribution of serving lines to include pre-packaged items and utensils.*
- *Appropriate line spacing will be marked.*

Playground

- *Students will wash hands before & after use.*
- *Only one class at a time will be on the playground.*
- *Playground equipment will be sanitized throughout the day.*

Classroom Practice

- *Normal classroom procedures with seating arrangements in place for social distancing.*
- *Classrooms will be sanitized daily.*
- *Hand sanitizer stations will be present in various locations on campus.*

Extra-Curricular

- *There will be temperature checks for all events.*
- *Signage will be displayed with questions/warnings prior to entry.*
- *All opposing players will have temperatures checked upon arrival.*
- *Spectators will be limited to immediate family and TACA personnel.*

Dismissal

- *Temperatures must be scanned for re-entry.*
- *Aftercare will follow protocols to limit the number of adults in the pick-up area.*

Water Fountains

- *Water fountains will not be accessible for students.*
- *Water bottles should be brought from home and labeled with the student's name.*

PHASE ONE

- *This phase may be issued for specific classrooms or for the entire campus.*
- *The classroom or school building will be closed.*
- *We will move to distance learning.*
- *All events, practices, and games will be cancelled.*
- *Phase one will be for a minimum of 10 school days.*

DISTANCE LEARNING REQUIREMENTS

Students will be required to complete both synchronous (live meetings) and asynchronous (at your own pace) learning.

Student Expectations:

- *Attend classes, daily, as outlined in the weekly schedule.*
- *Have a quiet workspace where distractions are limited.*
- *Give their best effort and best online class behavior.*
- *Learn to use all digital tools.*
- *Complete work and assignments given by teachers.*
- *Stay in contact with teachers by email or My School Worx.*

Parent Expectations:

- *Set up a daily schedule for your family.*
- *Provide your student with a workspace with limited distractions.*
- *Familiarize yourself with the digital tools your child will use.*
- *Monitor student engagement in work and assignments.*
- *Reach out to the teacher if your child is confused or if you are unable to help them.*

Tennessee State Board of Education:

- *Kindergarten students should spend up to 20 hours per week engaged in remote learning.*
- *First through fourth grades should spend up to 32.5 hours per week engaged in remote learning.*
- *Fifth through twelfth grades should spend 32.5 hours per week engaged in remote learning.*