



# **CREATIVE MONTESSORI ACADEMY**

## **General Response to Questions**

### **We are following the Phase 4/5: Return to School Road Map**

**The following are specific to the CMA community.**

#### **Personal Protective Equipment**

- All staff will wear facial coverings/face shields when in classrooms, except during meals and unless face coverings cannot be medically tolerated as documented through written and signed verification by a physician.
- All staff and all students in grades pre-kindergarten and up will wear facial coverings when in **indoor hallways and common areas**, except during meals and unless face coverings cannot be medically tolerated as documented through written and signed verification by a physician, with parental consent for students.
- Facial coverings are not required in preschool classrooms by children ages 3 and 4.
- All students in grades kindergarten through 5 will not be required to wear facial coverings in their **classrooms**.
- All staff and students in grades 6-8 will wear facial coverings, except during meals and unless face coverings cannot be medically tolerated as documented through written and signed verification by a physician, with parental consent
- Facial coverings must be worn by students grades Preschool through 8 once they exit the car at drop off.
- Facial coverings must be worn by students grades Preschool through 8 until they are in their car at pick up.
- Label non-disposable masks.

#### **Hygiene**

- All students grades Preschool through 8 can have water bottles and should be labeled with child's name. Drinking fountains will not be used for refilling or getting drinks.
- Teach and reinforce handwashing with soap and water for at least 20 seconds and/or the safe use of hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol.
- Time will be scheduled into each day for bathroom breaks separate from other classes. Hand sanitizer will be available for use in all classrooms, lunchroom, office and outside at recess.
- Educate staff and students on how to cough and sneeze into their elbows, or to cover with a tissue. Used tissues should be thrown in the trash and hands washed immediately using

proper hand hygiene techniques.

### **Spacing, Movement and Access**

- Space students as far apart as feasible in classrooms.
- Provide social distancing markers in waiting and reception areas.
- Post signs on the doors of restrooms to indicate proper social distancing and hand hygiene techniques.
- Restrict entrance to the school to students, staff and essential non-staff adults only. All non-staff adults entering the building must be screened for symptoms using a monitoring form, wear a facial covering, and wash/sanitize hands prior to entering. Strict records, including date and time, should be kept of all essential non-staff adults entering and exiting the building.

### **Screening Students and Staff**

- Cooperate with the local public health department regarding implementing protocols for screening students and staff.
- For students, a parent should take temperature at home in the morning before coming to school. A staff member will screen students before entering school by taking temperature.
- Parents and staff will be following CDC recommendations on temperature which at this time is below 100.4.
- Parents should have a plan in place if their student(s) has a temperature of 100.4 or above in the morning before or when they arrive at school.
- Symptomatic students and staff sent home from school will stay home until they have tested negative or have completely recovered according to CDC guidelines.
- Staff will conduct daily self-examinations, including a temperature check, prior to coming to work. If they exhibit any new or unusual symptoms as reported on the COVID-19 school monitoring form, they will stay home. Staff member will contact the school administrator.

### **Instruction**

- Independent Remote learning will be offered for all grades Kindergarten through 8.
- At the end of each trimester, families will have a chance to change to in person learning. **A one week notice before the start of the trimester** is needed. This gives the teacher time to prepare for Independent Remote learning for students.
- Students who are Independent Remote learners will be expected to submit assignments, assessments and project deadlines.
- Attendance for Independent Remote learners will be taken daily through Google Classroom as set forth by MDE. The parent or student will be expected to follow the teacher guidelines as to how daily check for attendance will take place.
- Independent Remote learners will be expected to check their teacher's daily agenda on Google Classroom.
- Plans will be in place regarding lunch and specials classes. More information will come about.
- If the State at any time deems that we are returning to Phase 3, we will be returning to

remote, distance learning.

### **Cleaning**

- All playground and PE equipment must be disinfected before and after use.
- All cleaning and disinfectant products have been ordered.
- Ensure safe and correct use and storage of cleaning and disinfection products, including storing products securely away from children, and with adequate ventilation when staff use products.
- Scheduled cleaning throughout the school day is planned.

**\* Please keep in mind that communication will be continuous and ongoing as we work with Wayne County regarding guidelines and recommendations in this ever-changing environment. These plans may need to change in the future and you will be informed of any updates.**