Return to School Plan 2021-22

Lexington Christian Academy will prioritize a safe and healthy in-person teaching and learning experience for all students and staff. Layered protection and prevention measures will be in place and local monitoring of community and school level transmission of COVID-19 will guide the decision-making process. LCA will adjust protocols (including face covering requirements) as necessary to address changing conditions. During the 2021–2022 school year, protocols and requirements may change for a specific campus, extra-curricular activity, classroom or setting based on the number of positive cases, contact tracing, community test positivity rate, community conditions, and risk of spread.



Recommendations for optimal physical distancing will be implemented to the extent possible.

VENTILATION

All ventilation systems have been modified to include new filtration technology to provide optimal air quality to all education and office spaces.

CONTACT TRACING AND QUARANTINE

LCA will continue to utilize contact tracing and quarantine measures to reduce the spread of COVID-19 within our school. LCA school nurses will continue to work with the surrounding health departments to respond to reports of positive cases and will take appropriate action to notify and inform affected individuals.



Per the Governor's executive order on 8/10/21 - Children age 2 and up in child care, pre-K, K-12 schools:

- All individuals all teachers, staff, students and visitors must cover their nose and mouth with a face covering when indoors in all public and private preschool, Head Start, elementary, middle and high schools (preschool through grade 12, as well as child care centers) in Kentucky, regardless of vaccination status.
- Masks are required to be worn on LCA sponsored transportation.



VACCINATIONS

- The COVID-19 vaccine is currently available for all individuals ages 12 and older, and we encourage unvaccinated staff members as well as families with students in this age group to consider the potential benefits of vaccination.
- Fully vaccinated individuals are not required to quarantine according to CDC guidelines.



TRANSPORTATION

- By order of the CDC and the Kentucky Department for Public Health, all individuals on public transportation must wear a mask, regardless of vaccination status. LCA will require that all individuals wear a mask while on LCA sponsored transportation.
- Students will sit in assigned seats.



ADDITIONAL LAYERED MITIGATION STRATEGIES

ADDITIONAL EFFORTS THAT WE'RE TAKING TO REDUCE THE SPREAD OF COVID-19 IN OUR SCHOOL:

- Teaching and promoting good hand hygiene
- Continuing enhanced cleaning and disinfection protocols
- Continued use of water bottle filling stations in place of water fountains
- Utilizing seating charts for classes, lunchrooms, and LCA sponsored transportation

HOW YOU CAN HELP

- Keep your student home when there are signs of infectious illness
- Consult your medical provider for testing and care as needed
- Encourage good hand hygiene and covering coughs and sneezes
- Monitor school communications for updates and changes

CONTACT