



2020-2021 SCHOOL REENTRY PLAN

As of July 30, 2020



REENTRY PLAN GUIDING PRINCIPLES

SCHOLAR & STAFF SAFETY

Safety for our PPA community is the leading guiding principle as we make decisions about school reopening. All decisions will be made in alignment with Department of Health and CDC guidelines, including temperature checks, social distancing and face coverings, among other procedures.

MAXIMIZE TIME WITH TEACHERS

We know that the most powerful learning takes place when scholars can directly interact with their teachers and peers. All schedules (hybrid and virtual) will prioritize scholars' opportunity to participate in live instruction and receive immediate feedback from teachers.

PROACTIVE CONTAINMENT

To all extents possible, we will work to contain the spread of infection within our school community. This means new and expanded cleaning procedures, scholar cohorts, a hybrid model to reduce class size and shifts to our daily schedule, among others.

SOCIAL-EMOTIONAL WELL-BEING

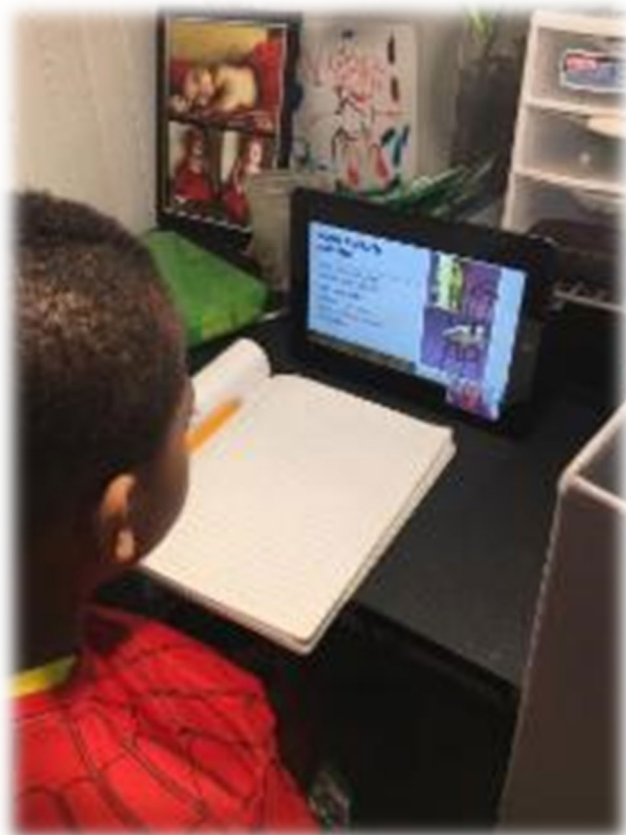
We recognize the stress and anxiety created by COVID-19 and other current events in our nation. Our staff will receive additional training and comprehensive supports will be put in place to assist scholars in coping with their feelings in healthy ways.

ACCESS FOR ALL

Above all, we believe that access to a high-quality education is a fundamental Civil Right for our scholars. We have purchased individual Chromebooks for all scholars and will work with families who need assistance in obtaining WiFi. We will also prioritize our most vulnerable learners for in-person instruction and support services.

FLEXIBILITY

With the landscape ever-changing, we need to be prepared to shift between hybrid and fully remote learning quickly. We will prioritize scholar/family technology training and access to ensure that, if needed, this transition can be as smooth as possible.



HEALTH & SAFETY MEASURES



ARRIVAL

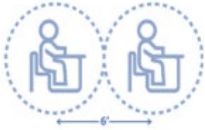
A temperature check will be completed at the door each day (and should be taken by parent/guardian at home each morning). Any scholar with a fever of 100.0 degrees F or higher will be sent home. Please do not send your child to school if they exhibit any of the following symptoms:

- Fever or chills
- Cough/sore throat
- Fatigue or shortness of breath
- Headaches, muscle or body aches
- New loss of taste or smell
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea, vomiting or diarrhea



FACIAL COVERINGS

All staff, scholars and visitors are REQUIRED to wear a face mask (cloth, disposable, bandana, etc.) at all times when on school campus. PPA will provide 2 cloth masks per scholar and will have disposable masks on hand when needed. Alternate arrangements will be made for any scholar with a diagnosed health condition impacting their ability to wear a mask.



SOCIAL DISTANCING

Whenever possible, staff and scholars will remain 6 ft. apart. Individual desks have been purchased to maintain proper spacing within classrooms. We will adopt a hybrid instructional model to keep class sizes at 14 scholars or less. All scholars will be issued their own set of supplies and Chromebook to minimize sharing of any materials.



CLEANING & DISINFECTING

We have contracted with a new cleaning company and increased daily services. A schedule has been created to maintain cleaning of high-touch areas and surfaces throughout the day, and a thorough deep clean of the building will take place each night. Additional hand sanitizer dispensers have been installed throughout the building, new water dispensers will replace our water fountains, and classrooms will remain stocked with cleaning supplies for disinfecting throughout the day.



MEAL SERVICE

Breakfast and lunch will take place within the classroom (lunch may be eaten outside, weather/class dependent). Scholars will wash their hands prior to meals. All surfaces will be disinfected following all meals.



FOCUS ON SOCIAL-EMOTIONAL HEALTH

We will increase our explicit social-emotional supports for all scholars. Our School Counselor will teach weekly lessons within classrooms and teachers will be trained on increasing SEL supports within their instruction. Scholars will have opportunities to interact and socialize with peers in safe, socially distanced ways.



VISITOR POLICY

Visitors to the building will be limited, and we free access to the Main Office will be restricted. All late arrivals/early dismissals will be handled at the first floor desk, and a PPA staff member will escort you child up/downstairs. Any visitor to the building must have a face covering and will undergo a temperature check before entering the building.

INSTRUCTIONAL MODELS

All families will be given the option of selecting a fully virtual or hybrid model for their child's return to PPA in the Fall. Learning contracts will be sent to all families in early August to select their plan.
















All scholars will participate in virtual scholar orientation from Monday, August 31 - Friday, September 4th. School hours during scholar orientation will be 9:30am-12:30pm.

HYBRID MODEL SCHEDULE:
















Scholars in the hybrid model will be broken into two cohorts (A&B). Each cohort will attend school in-person for one week and then attend virtual the following week. Scholars will be in small groups of no more than 15 scholars per classroom, with individual desks placed 6 ft. apart. All scholars will be virtual on Fridays to allow for a teacher planning day.

Siblings/scholars from the same household will be placed in the same cohort. Scholars who receive Special Education services will be prioritized for in-person instruction and services. Scholars who opt into the all virtual option will be placed in Cohort C and will participate in daily virtual instruction.

WEEK #1

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
COHORT A					
COHORT B					
COHORT C (all virtual)					

WEEK #2

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
COHORT A					
COHORT B					
COHORT C (all virtual)					

SAMPLE VIRTUAL INSTRUCTION SCHEDULE

On days when scholars are participating in virtual instruction, we have created schedules that maximize interaction with teachers and minimize the need for parental involvement. Simply ensure your scholar is logged on in the morning and let us take it from there! The schedule below provides an example of what you can expect in a day of virtual instruction.

Please note that virtual days will start shorter as we build up scholar stamina and routines.

Kindergarten		First		Second		Third	
9:15	Morning Meeting	9:15	Morning Meeting	9:15	Morning Meeting	9:15	Morning Meeting
9:30	Read Aloud	9:30	Math CGI Fluency Calendar	9:30	Read Aloud	9:30	Math CGI Fluency Calendar
9:50	Humanities Handwriting Science/S.S.	10:40	Math Intervention	9:50	Humanities Handwriting Science/S.S.	9:50	Math Intervention
10:35	Brain Break	11:00	Brain Break	10:35	Brain Break	10:35	Brain Break
10:40	Reading Intervention	11:05	Humanities Handwriting Science/S.S.	10:40	Reading Intervention	10:40	Humanities Handwriting Science/S.S.
11:00	Guided Reading Phonic Groups	11:50	Lunch	11:00	Guided Reading Close Read	11:50	Lunch
12:00	Lunch	12:10	Read Aloud	12:00	Lunch	12:10	Read Aloud
12:20	Math CGI Fluency Calendar	12:30	Guided Reading Phonics	12:20	Math CGI Fluency Calendar	12:30	Guided Reading Close Read
1:30	Math Intervention	1:30	Reading Intervention	1:30	Math Intervention	1:30	Reading Intervention
1:50	Mindfulness	1:50	Enrichment	1:50	Mindfulness	1:50	Enrichment
1:55	Enrichment	2:05	Mindfulness	1:55	Enrichment	2:05	Mindfulness
2:10	Closing Circle	2:10	Closing Circle	2:10	Closing Circle	2:10	Closing Circle

PPA REOPENING TIMELINE

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ONGOING

PPA Team continues to monitor landscape and adjust plan; families opt into hybrid or virtual options

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AUGUST 4 - 11

Mandatory family meetings held via Zoom on preparing for Fall

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AUGUST 1-7

Governor Cuomo makes official announcement on school reopening

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AUGUST 3

Optional family Q&A sessions hosted on Zoom at 8:30am, 12:00pm, 5:30pm

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JULY 31

PPA Reopening Plan submitted to NY state and posted on school website

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JULY 30

Initial Reopening Plan sent to all PPA families

