

# Health and Safety Plan

Dear families,

According to Governor Wolf, schools governed by the Pennsylvania Department of Education are required to provide and follow a health and safety plan in order to prevent any illness and the spreading of germs, in the facility. This plan will align with the recommended CDC guidelines for schools.

### **Drop Off - Line**

Upon arrival, teachers will escort students in the drop off - line. Parents or alternate person/s (listed on the emergency contact form) are to remain in their cars in order to maintain a smooth flow.

Parents are not to bring their child to the entrance of Aspire or enter the building. Parents and teachers are required to wear masks, unless the parent has documented medical reason, during this transition.

Teachers and staff will use a forehead thermometer to take your child's temperature per CDC protocol to ensure that your child is fever free.

Students will wash hands before entering the classroom and will be encouraged to refrain from touching his/her face.

### **Pick Up Line**

After your child has washed his/her hands, teachers and staff will escort your child and meet you at your car at the end of your child's school day. Parents are to remain in their cars and to stay in the pick - up line.

### **Health and Safety**

Teachers and staff will be disinfecting bathrooms, classroom tables, chairs, smartboards and toys, at the end of each day to prevent the spread of germs. The school's cleaning team will continue to disinfect the school 3 times per week, after school hours.

The number of occupants in communal spaces and classrooms will be limited to 25 bodies, including students, teachers, visitors and therapists. Serving children is

Aspire's priority so visiting therapists from different districts and wrap around therapy will be limited or will need to follow a hybrid schedule to ensure student placement in the classroom.

At any time of the day, if your child is showing symptoms of being sick, the child will be isolated, and a parent/guardian will be notified for pick up.

Please know when to keep your child at home.

Please note that all students, staff, parents and visitors are **required** to wear a mask at all times when on school grounds. If your child cannot wear a mask due to a medical, mental health condition, or disability, we are required to have documentation of this on file in order for them to enter the school building without a mask. This documentation can be in the form of a doctor's note or noted on their treatment plan.

### **Monitoring Student, Staff and Parent Health**

In addition to sharing procedures for actions following a report of a positive case of COVID-19, the plan puts in place the following action steps to monitor the health of students and staff daily.

- Each day, all students and staff will have their temperatures checked.
- Parents will be encouraged to screen their children for symptoms before school.
- Hand sanitizer stations will be in place, along with signage regarding use of PPE.
- Where feasible, separate or multiple entrance/exit doors for staff and students.

### **Quarantine Procedures**

In the event of a positive COVID – 19 case within the school building, there will be a school – wide mandatory 14 – day quarantine period and remote learning will start to take place, per the parent handbook.

In the event of encountering an individual with COVID – 19 or traveling to a **Red** state, the student should quarantine for 14 days to ensure he/she is symptom – free.

Per the Department of Health, if you have traveled, or plan to travel, to an area where there are high amounts of COVID-19 cases, it is recommended that you stay at home for 14 days upon return to Pennsylvania. Aspire is requiring that your child quarantine and not return to school for 14 days upon return from the following states:

- Alabama
- Arizona
- Arkansas
- California
- Florida
- Georgia
- Idaho
- Iowa
- Kansas
- Louisiana
- Mississippi
- Missouri
- Nevada
- North Dakota
- Oklahoma
- South Carolina
- Tennessee
- Texas

### **Remote Learning**

Aspire will provide a remote learning option in the event of a mandated school closure or school – wide 14 day quarantine. See Parent Handbook for further details under *Schedule*.

**Please know that this Health and Safety Plan is subject to change, thank you.**

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**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ / **Date:** \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_