



Community Partnership Charter School

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Beginning with Children Charter School 2

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Amendments to Reopening Plan Submitted to SUNY CSI 8.14.20 on behalf of:

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2a. Reopening Operations:

Social Distancing Measures:

Arrival:

- At school entrances, signage will remind families and students to maintain appropriate social distance (e.g. six feet of space in all directions between individuals) while waiting to enter the school facilities.
- Each of our co-located school sites has a separate entrance that will be utilized solely by our students and staff.
- At morning arrival, two staff members wearing appropriate PPE will oversee the entrance of students. Staff will check each student's temperature with a non-contact thermometer and confirm possession of a face covering.
 - Students without a face mask will be given one prior to entry.
 - Students with a fever above 100° Fahrenheit will be sent home. Students with a fever who have arrived at school independently will be escorted to the building's designated isolation space (see *Containment* below), and the parent/guardian will be notified to pick up the student as soon as possible.

Inside the School:

- Signage and decals on walls and floors in school buildings will remind students and staff members to remain six feet apart during transitions to and from classrooms and the restroom. Where six feet of distance cannot be maintained, students and staff will be required to wear face masks.
- Inside the classroom:
 - PreK - Grade 5: Following updated New York State guidance taking effect April 26, 2021, all students in grades PK-5 will be permitted to learn within three feet of distance of other students if the following requirements are met:
 - Students are participating in an activity that allows them to keep a face mask on at all times.
 - Students are not participating in a physical education class or activity.
 - Grades 6 - 8: The NYCDOE currently restricts co-located Middle Schools from following the updated NYS guidance allowing students in Grades 6-8 to learn within three feet of distance of other students if they remain in a single cohort throughout the school day. Should the NYCDOE policy change, our Middle Schools students will follow the updated 3-foot social distancing protocols if the following requirements are met.
 - Students remain in a single cohort throughout each school day.



- Students are participating in an activity that allows them to keep a face mask on at all times.
- Students are not participating in a physical education class or activity.
- All students:
 - For activities that require the removal of a face mask (e.g. eating, drinking) or include physical activity, students must maintain 6-feet of distance between each other.
 - Six-feet of distance must be maintained between students and adult staff at all times.
- Classrooms will be configured with desks facing one direction and spaced to ensure that students, while seated, have the prescribed physical distance between them.
- Adults should maintain 6-feet of distance with students and other adults at all times.
- While inside the school buildings, students will remain in their designated classroom for the duration of each school day. Students will take periodic mask breaks outside of the school building.
- Stairways: Students and staff will maintain social distance while using stairways, and to the extent feasible, stairways will be designated as one-way. School staff members will stagger student schedules, and coordinate with the co-located Building Council to ensure the use of stairways is restricted to one cohort of students and staff at a time.



2b. Monitoring:

Health Testing Protocols:

- Students or staff members exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19 or those who have been in close contact with COVID-19 confirmed individuals, will not be able to report to school for 10 days and will be directed to their healthcare provider or referred to a [local testing site](#) or the local NYCDOH office.
 - Following updates to NYS guidance, asymptomatic individuals who have been in close contact with a confirmed COVID-19 case, but have been fully vaccinated for at least two weeks and not greater than 90 days, may still report to school in-person. If the staff member displays symptoms of COVID-19, they should not report to in-person instruction, even if they are fully vaccinated.
 - Individuals who have had a lab-confirmed COVID-19 infection within the last 90 days AND have finished isolation of at least 10 days, may still report to school in-person. If the staff member displays symptoms of COVID-19, they should not report to in-person instruction.
 - Individuals who have returned from travel to another state, country or territory in the last 10 days may report to school in-person if they remain asymptomatic.
- All staff will receive training on identifying the symptoms of COVID-19 and have available to them daily a checklist of known symptoms provided by the NYCDOH. When staff observe COVID-19 symptoms, they will contact the school's COVID-coordinator and the school will follow procedures outlined in *Containment* below.
- In the event students or staff test positive for COVID-19, the school will follow protocols and guidance from NYCDOH for reporting information to health officials for necessary contact tracing (See *Contact Tracing* protocols in *Containment* below).
- Schools will coordinate with the co-located building nurse for the reporting process and will also develop plans with co-located programs for shared information necessary for contact tracing.
- Schools will ensure that any information shared remains consistent with FERPA, HIPPA, and other necessary information protocols and will not release or share personally identifiable information about the individual(s) impacted.



2c. Containment:

Quarantine Policies:

Policies for Individuals with direct exposure to a suspected or confirmed infection:

- Exposed individuals must follow the quarantine procedure of staying home for 10 days since their last exposure to that case, AND
- Prior to returning to school, the individual must be symptom-free for 24 hours without the use of medication



2d. Closure:

Closure Triggers:

- Schools and BwCF will work with the NYCDOH to determine what conditions (e.g. number of positive COVID-19 cases in the building) would trigger a reduction or closure of in-person school operations and the amount of time of the closure. All decisions to quarantine classrooms or close schools will depend on the facts of each DOH investigation. However, the DOH and DOE have outlined an updated set of potential investigative conclusions in *Table 2: Potential Conclusions of DOH Investigation into Confirmed COVID-19 case(s)* below.
- In the event that student and staff absentee rates impact the ability of the school to operate in-person safely and effectively, the School Leadership team and BwCF will consider a reduction or closure of in-person operations.

Table 2: Potential Conclusions of DOH Investigation into Confirmed COVID-19 case(s)

Conclusion of Investigation	During Investigation	Post Investigation
1 Confirmed Case	❖ Close Classroom, transition to remote learning	❖ Classroom remains closed for 10 days. ❖ Students and staff in close contact with positive case self-quarantine for 10 days
At least 2 cases linked together in school, same classroom	❖ Close Classroom, transition to remote learning	❖ Classroom remains closed for 10 days. ❖ Students and staff in close contact with positive case self-quarantine for 10 days
At least 2 cases linked together in school, different classrooms	❖ Close Classrooms of Infection	❖ Classroom of each case remain closed and quarantined, additional school members are quarantined based on where exposure was in the school (e.g. locker room) ❖ Recommended increased on-site COVID-19 testing of the impacted campus
At least 2 cases linked together by circumstances outside of school (i.e. acquired infection by different setting and source)	❖ Close Classrooms of Infection, if confirmed that infected individual was in school	❖ Classroom of each case remain closed and quarantined, additional school members are quarantined based on where exposure was in the school (e.g. locker room) ❖ Recommended increased on-site COVID-19 testing of the impacted campus



At least 4 cases confirmed over a 7-day period, with known exposure <u>within the school</u>	❖ Close School Building, transition to remote learning	❖ School remains closed for 10- days
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