

# Prairie View Academy Re-Opening Plan

We are so excited to start the new school year. The first day of school will be a ½ day on August 11, 2020 for Grades 1-12. We will be following the LA Department of Education school reopening guidelines for public and nonpublic schools. It is our intent to open school and continually be open as long and safely as possible.

**\*\*\*Please note this plan errs on the side of caution and will be utilized as we begin the school year with the hope that we may return to more normal operations as conditions allow.\*\*\***

## **2020-2021 Parent Nights (ALL Parents are required to attend.)**

PreK3 & PreK4 – August 5 & 6

Each student will have a scheduled time.

Kindergarten & 1<sup>st</sup> Grade – August 7

Each student will have a scheduled time.

2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Grades – August 6

Each student will have a scheduled time.

4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Grades – August 7

Each student will have a scheduled time.

6<sup>th</sup> Grade – August 6

Each student will have a scheduled time.

7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grades – August 6

Each student will have a scheduled time.

The high school meetings will be conducted by Zoom. **(All parents are required to attend.)**

9<sup>th</sup> Grade – August 5<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm.

10<sup>th</sup> Grade -- August 5<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm.

11<sup>th</sup> Grade -- August 6<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm.

12<sup>th</sup> Grade -- August 6<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm.

Our traditional student open house usually occurring the Friday before school starts will be cancelled for this school year.

# General Campus Protocols



We maintain that it is the family's responsibility to assess the students for symptoms prior to school each day. Parents should inform the school if their child is sick, has a fever of 100.4 or higher, displays symptoms of or tests positive for COVID-19 or any other infectious disease. Additionally, in compliance with our school handbook, students should not be sent to school if he/she is sick and are not to return to school until they are fever-free for at least 24 hours without the aid of medication. Should a child become ill at school, he/she will be quarantined, and parents will be called. Parents should come immediately to the school to pick up the sick child.

Hand sanitizing stations will be set up throughout the school.



Visitors – Generally speaking, only essential personnel will be allowed in the school building. (Students, Faculty, and Staff) Visitors to parts of the campus other than the school office will be limited and by appointment only.

## Wearing of Masks



### Required

Entering building in the morning  
Leaving building in the afternoon  
Transitions and Restrooms

### Not Required

in classrooms



Confirmed cases of COVID-19 – Should a student test positive for the COVID-19 virus, the school will notify all families in his/her class and the infected student will be required to quarantine at home for a minimum of 14 days. School officials will consult with trusted medical professionals to determine best course of action. Students testing positive must have a written release from their doctor saying they are no longer infectious. Close contacts will be asked to stay home and monitor symptoms for 14 days. “Close Contact” is a person who was less than 6 feet away from a positive case for more than 15 minutes. If after 14 days the student doesn't show any COVID-19 symptoms, they may return to school.



Drinking Fountains – All students will be expected to bring a water bottle to school. Students will not drink from water fountains. Teaching assistants and other faculty will keep water bottles filled for students in grades K-5. Students in grades 6-12 will be given opportunities to fill their water bottles throughout the day. No juice or soft drinks in the water bottles, ONLY water.



Additional Cleaning of Campus & Classrooms – While we have always sought to maintain a clean school campus, additional protocols will be instituted to ensure sanitary conditions in the classroom and throughout the school campus several times during the school day.



The cafeteria will be available this year. We will utilize both the cafeteria and classrooms for lunchtime. Morning snack will occur in the classrooms.



**Arrival** – Students should wear facemasks until they arrive in their classroom each morning. There will be no central receiving location for early arrivals, but instead students will proceed directly to their classrooms each morning when they arrive on campus. Morning greeters will continue to greet your students and assist them to their classrooms each morning. The school will continue to receive students beginning at 7:20 AM with the tardy bell ringing at 7:45 AM. Parents are encouraged to have students at school no later than 7:40 to ensure time to settle in before the tardy bell. Do not drop your child off at the front office. Dropoffs will only be at either end of the school building. The greeters will take the child’s temperature and each student must sanitize their hands before going to the classroom. (Additional information on arrival will be given during parent nights.)



**Dismissal** – Students will wear their facemasks when they leave their classroom until they get into their car each afternoon. Parents will continue to drive through the car line to pick up students. Students will remain in their classroom until their parents arrive to pick them up each afternoon. Student drivers will go directly to their cars in the afternoon after being dismissed from the classroom. Should a student driver have an elementary sibling(s) to pick up before departing, he/she will notify the teacher on duty who will retrieve the sibling(s) to join him/her so they may walk to the car together.

## Other Important Information:

- Parents will be asked to check temperature and answer 5 questions daily before bringing your child to school.
- Individuals who have a fever of 100.4 F or above, will not be admitted into the classroom. If a child has a fever, we will place them in a designated sick room and ask parents to pick up as soon as possible.
- Classroom temperature checks: Teachers will check their student’s temperature and ask a few questions periodically throughout the day.
- Adults and students (3<sup>rd</sup> grade and up) should wear face coverings, as able, to the maximum extent possible. Face coverings should be worn during arrival, dismissal, and any other transitions within the school building. Individuals with severe breathing difficulties should not wear face coverings. A note from a physician will be required.
- Desks will be spaced out as much as possible in the classroom. Any unnecessary tables, shelving, or storage will be moved out.
- When elementary students are playing on the playground, they will not be required to wear a mask.
- We have 3 plans in place in preparation for the year. Plan 1 is to start school normal and practice good sanitation and social distancing. Plan 2 is a hybrid of Monday distant learning, Tuesday and Thursday- a group coming to school and another group coming Wednesday and Friday. Plan 3 is distant learning with the use of chrome books and the use of GOOGLE classroom with live teaching sessions.
- If a student has any health issues that would hinder in school learning, the teachers are prepared to do virtual/distance learning. Please contact the school for more information.

# On-Campus Learning

Prairie View Academy is preparing for on-campus school operations to resume in the fall of 2020. As an approved school in the State of Louisiana, PVA will follow specific health precautions and mandates in accordance with our local, state, and federal requirements as well as recommendations provided by the CDC. **What will happen if the State of Louisiana orders educational institutions to close for a period of time?** While we have high hopes that no such orders will be issued, we are prepared to continue the quality education through Google Classroom.



Although most of the calendar has remained unchanged, we have provided a copy of the school calendar with this mailing. We do plan on starting school August 11 as previously scheduled.



Schedule – Modifications may be made to the daily schedule to allow for additional outside time.



The standard drop-off and pick-up times will remain the same.



Athletic programs will be determined by league protocols and guidelines. Our athletic director and coaches are planning and preparing fall practice and game schedules.



Electives – (Classes comprised of multiple grade levels e.g. Publications, Art, P.E.) – Students will be seated according to social distancing recommendations.



School special events and special programs will be determined by school administration as we approach the commencement of each event or program.



While the maximum square footage in each classroom will be utilized, students may not be able to maintain a social distance of 6 feet throughout the school day within their homeroom. In some classes 5 feet of social distance will be used.



Homeroom – (Homeroom refers to students in the same grade) Students will remain in their homeroom for the majority of the day. Students in the upper grades will rotate at staggered times to avoid congestion in the hallway.



P.E. – (Grades PK3-6) Students will be in their homeroom group for P.E. classes.