



July 27, 2021

Dear DKH Families:

We hope you are enjoying your summer. The first day of school is right around the corner, Tuesday, September 7, and we are excited to see our students. As the first day approaches, we know you are looking forward to finalizing back-to-school details and are anxious for more information about what the school year is going to look like. Below are a few updates with more information during orientation.

DKH Academy is aligning our policies with LISD and intends to begin the 2021-22 school year in a much more traditional way, resuming most school operations as normal. Restrictions and guidelines throughout the school year will continue to be dependent on health-related circumstances in our communities, and we will continue to follow the guidance of our local, state and national partners as well as the American Academy of Pediatrics and CDC. A few important notes:

- Masks will be optional for all staff and students, **although we recommend masks for all unvaccinated individuals.**
- DKH Academy will continue daily increased cleaning measures.
- Contact tracing will still take place to determine close contacts and we will provide notification to families of students who are exposed to a student that is **test-confirmed positive** for COVID-19. Students who are identified through contact tracing will NOT be required to quarantine, however, parents may always make their individual choice to keep their child(ren) home if exposure is determined.
- If positivity rates and transmission risk in our school and/or community becomes substantial, DKH Academy may choose to implement multiple strategies for prevention of infectious disease as recommended by current CDC guidelines.

Your continued support and faith in our staff and direction for the Fall is invaluable. Our goal is to strictly maintain the safest and cleanest environment and we will do everything in our power to minimize the risk of exposure and transmission of COVID-19 amongst other childhood illnesses within our school.

We maintain a positive outlook for a wonderful school year!

Thank you,

DKH Office