August 15, 2020

Dear Students, Parents, Guardians, Faculty and Staff,

What a wonderful first week!

Thanks to each of you for making our first week back on campus a huge success. Thank you for adhering to the Covid guidelines and for your gentle spirit as we gathered back on campus.

As we get more streamlined regarding our daily admission to campus, we want to make it even easier for your arrival. Effective Monday, August 17, before arriving on campus, each student should undergo a personal Daily Home Screening. This screening is the responsibility of the student/parent each day before arriving on campus as it helps to ensure the health of our campus.

# ARRIVAL ON CAMPUS PROCEDURES BEFORE COMING TO SCHOOL:

**SECTION 1: SYMPTOMS** 

If your child has any of the following symptoms, that indicates a possible illness that may decrease the student's ability to learn and also put them at risk of spreading illness to others. Please check your child for these symptoms:

- Temperature of 100.4° or higher when taken by mouth
- Sore throat
- New uncontrolled cough that causes difficulty breathing (for students with chronic allergenic/asthmatic cough, a change in their cough from baseline)
- o Diarrhea, vomiting, or abdominal pain
- o New onset of severe headache, especially with a fever

## **SECTION 2: CLOSE CONTACT/PERSONAL EXPOSURE**

- Had close contact (within 6 feet of an infected person for at least 15 minutes) with a person with confirmed COVID-19
- Are you isolating or quarantining because you may have been exposed to a person with COVID-19
  or are worried that you may be sick with COVID-19?
- Are you currently waiting on the results of a COVID-19 test?

If there is a YES answer to any question in section 1, and a NO to any question in section 2, then the student should not come back to school until symptom-free for 24 hours without fever reducing medications.

If there is a YES answer to any question in section 1, and a YES answer to either of the first 2 questions in section 2, the student should be referred to evaluation by a healthcare provider.

Contact school administration regarding the appropriate time to return to school should there by a YES answer in Section 2.

#### **UPON ARRIVAL AT SCHOOL:**

**NOTE:** We are back to our normal arrival time of 7:40am for students. Any PK3 – 5<sup>th</sup> grade student that arrives before 7:40am will proceed to Morning Care.

- Our 18-36-month students will proceed as normal.
- Our students aged PK3 5<sup>th</sup> grade will begin having their temperatures checked either in the car or near their car. Fever-free students will be allowed to enter the school. Parents, please do not leave until your student has been cleared. Students should continue to wear a mask to the classroom.
- MS/HS students will have temperature checked upon arrival on campus. Parents, please do not leave until your student(s) has been cleared to enter the school. Self-driving students can park in the appropriate lot, then proceed to class after having the temperature check. Students should continue to wear a mask when arriving and departing campus, in common areas, at class changes, and when distancing is not possible.

#### **REMINDERS:**

- All students should be encouraged to keep their hands washed, and when soap and water is not available, to take advantage of hand sanitizer.
- MS/HS Lunch Periods Please encourage your students to maintain proper distancing during lunch breaks. The high school bleacher seats are clearly identified which allow appropriate spacing. Please encourage your student to maintain distancing during this time of being unmasked and eating lunch. This is a challenge but one that we should be able to live with for a while longer.

### **NON-COVID UPDATES:**

- Textbooks additional textbooks for some classes will be distributed in the coming week. We also have additional textbooks and resources that will be delivered to teachers/students once received by us. There is a slight backlog of some items due to Covid.
- Holiday our next holiday is Labor Day, Sept 7. There is no school on this day, therefore no Morning Care or After School Care of any type.
- High School "Retreat" Our annual high school retreat is being modified this year. It will take place
  on the Knoxville Christian School campus, during school hours, on Thursday, August 27<sup>th</sup>. More
  details will be coming, but our retreats have become a great time of getting to better know each
  other, along with faculty/staff.

#### THANK YOU FOR YOUR COMMITMENT TO CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

We are excited to partner with you, our families, as we provide a quality Christian education to our students. We believe in the power of prayer and ask that you continue to pray for our school, our students and families, and our community. Should you have any questions you can send an email to info@kcsknights.org.

For the Kids!

Robert W. "Bobby" Simpson Head of School