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Hello LPA Central Community,

We hope this letter finds you and your family healthy - and enjoying your summer! The LPA team is hard at work creating a responsible and reasonable “return to school” plan that provides a safe and positive learning environment for your student. We are doing everything possible to ensure all students will receive the high-quality learning experiences that are fundamental to the LPA mission.

The following 4 principles will guide the development of our plan to re-open school on August 6th:

1. **Safety:** We have enhanced our sanitation procedures and practices to keep the environment as safe as possible.
2. **School Culture:** We will return to the structures and routines that children thrive in. Ensuring that they have a smooth transition from distance learning to on-site learning.
3. **Communication:** We commit to effectively communicate with you via Class Dojo, email, our Facebook page, our website (www.lpacentral.org), and phone calls. We will keep you up-to-date if there are any changes.
4. **Flexibility:** While we can only plan for what we know today, we will remain flexible and ready to adapt to all student needs.

In staying true to our mission to provide a safe and positive learning environment for our students and staff, we want to share with you some of the measures we will have in place for this coming school year.

- We have equipped every classroom with disinfecting wipe dispensers and touchless hand sanitizers in our school.
- We have purchased commercial-grade sanitizing machines. Common areas, playground equipment, and high-touch areas will be consistently disinfected.
- Daily temperature checks for all staff and students. **Any staff or student with a temperature of 100.4 or higher cannot come on campus.**
- Desks will be spread out in the classroom to maximize physical distancing, and teachers will enforce practices that limit close interaction.
- We will teach and reinforce proper hygiene and sanitation practices for staff and students.
- Intensify cleaning, disinfecting, sanitizing, and ventilation in our school.
- Minimize the number of students in common areas (routines such as lunches and recess will resume with limits on the number of students).
- Train all employees on health and safety protocols.
- Post signage displaying hygiene and sanitation best practice reminders.

- Limit volunteers/visitors on campus.
- Campus health office will continue to provide students with compassionate care and address medical issues as they arise.
- Develop and implement communication protocols regarding COVID-19 cases.
- Limit the use of shared materials as much as possible.
- Staff will follow any city/county/state mandates as it relates to wearing face masks. We will remain flexible and communicate with our families.

LPA Central respects the fact that each family must make decisions that are in their personal best interest and we are here to provide support. We do have options. If you would like more information on this, please contact me at: bewald@lpatucson.org

LPA Central is monitoring closely the communication from the Governor's Office, Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS) and Pima County Health Department. If there are changes in the COVID-19 pandemic, we are prepared to modify our "return to school" action plan as needed. Thank you for your continued support.

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