

# **RICHARD MCKENNA CHARTER SCHOOLS**

## **K-8 CAMPUS**

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### **REVISED REOPENING PLAN 10/28/20**

Richard McKenna Montessori Charter School in cooperation with the Central Health Department is working to provide the safest environment for our students and staff during the COVID pandemic. In light of Covid-19 health concerns we are taking many precautions to provide the best and safest learning environment we can to our students and staff. The following document outlines our revised plan and expectations for 2020 school year. Please understand that this is a working document and is subject to change as we continue through our academic year. We will not be offering an online/distance learning option unless we are closed for an extended period of time. Be advised that if you withdraw from our program for the 2020-2021 school year, your child may re-enter our lottery in March for the 2021-2022 school year, a seat is not guaranteed.

### **Richard McKenna Montessori School District Revised Reopening Categories**

<b>Category 1: Low Community Spread</b>	<b>Category 2: Minimal to Moderate Community Transmission</b>	<b>Category 3: Extensive Community Spread</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• School Building Open</li><li>• Full day on-site class schedule (8:00 -2:40)</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• School building open</li><li>• Split day schedule (3 hour on-site session, homework daily)  AM (8:00 -11:00) PM (12:15 – 3:15)</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Limited building use</li><li>• Limited in-person instruction</li><li>• Continue with split day schedule.</li><li>• Mandatory wearing of mask during the school day</li></ul>

#### **Category 2 & 3: School Level Practices**

During Category 2 & 3 the school will follow the following procedures:

- Building will be sanitized before and after each session.
- Staff and students will complete health screening before entering the building each day.
- Staff and students will wear a mask during health screening, in Category 2 mask is optional after entrance to the building is permitted. In Category 3, mask wearing is mandatory.
- If staff or students leave a classroom for any reason, hand washing or sanitizing will be required before entry into any classroom or office space
- Social distancing between staff and students will be encouraged
- No shared school supplies (Montessori manipulatives may be shared, but disinfected between each use)

- Students will use shared bathroom facilities one at a time and bathrooms will be sanitized at the end of each class session
- Students may bring a personal snack; the school will not provide snacks or snack calendars.

### Category 2 & 3: Health Screening

Before entry into school building, staff and students must pass a daily health screening. **If you have a positive COVID-19 result in your household, please notify the school immediately!**

- Responsible party must accompany student to health screening in drop-off line
- Masks must be worn during screening
- Temperature will be taken with a no touch thermometer and must be below 100 degrees Fahrenheit
- Students and staff must be able to answer “no” to all Health Screening Form questions (see below).
- If students or staff answer “yes” to Health Screening questions 1-7, they will not be permitted entry into the school building and must remain home **for at least 72 hours** after symptoms end. If “yes” to question 8, a minimum of 14 days absent.
- Responsible party may leave once a student is cleared for entry into class.

Health Screening Form questions:

1. Do you or anyone in your household have a fever?
2. Do you or anyone in your household have a cough?
3. Do you or anyone in your household have a sore throat?
4. Do you or anyone in your household have shortness of breath?
5. Do you or anyone in your household have loss of taste or smell?
6. Do you or anyone in your household have nasal congestion or a runny nose?
7. Do you or anyone in your household have diarrhea or nausea?
8. Has anyone in the household been exposed to an individual who tested positive for COVID?

### Category 2 & 3: Cleaning and Disinfecting

Maintaining a clean and safe learning environment is our highest priority. We will be following sanitation plan:

Cleaning throughout the day:

- Check and refill no-touch soap dispensers
- Check and refill no touch paper towel dispenser
- Wipe down door handles and faucets with disinfectant

Cleaning in classrooms:

- Empty trash after each session
- Disinfect sinks, countertops, desks, hard surfaces after each session
- Wipe down manipulatives after each use
- Sweep, vacuum, and mop floors at the end of the day (3:15)

Cleaning in hallways

- Wipe down cubbies between sessions
- Vacuum at the end of the day (3:15)

#### Cleaning restrooms

- Clean toilets and urinals between sessions
- Clean and disinfect sinks, stall doors, and countertops with approved disinfectant between session
- Empty trash between sessions
- Sweep and mop at the end of the day
- Clean mirrors at the end of the day

### School Closure

There may be times when our school buildings will close. Parents will be notified of any such closure. Please check Compass and the school Facebook page daily to receive updates about closures. Outlined below is a plan for when and how we will proceed during school closures. Note, if the school closes for an extended period of time, distance learning will begin.

#### A. Confirmed cases in students or staff:

- School will contact public health
- The school will follow the guidelines provided by the Central Health District
- Notify parents and staff (privacy of students and staff will be protected)
- May close class or school as per the Central Health District recommendations.
- Length of closure will be based on the CHD recommendation and the severity of the cases.
- Deep cleaning of classrooms and school building

**If class or school is closed for Covid-19 exposure, distance learning will be provided.**

#### B. 25% or more of campus population is absent due to illness

- Notify parents and staff
- May close school for up to 5 days
- Deep cleaning of classrooms and school building

**If school is closed for illness, distance learning may not be provided to students.**

### Category 2 & 3: Return to School

We understand that not every illness or symptom is as a result of Covid-19. However, it is IMPERATIVE you keep your student home if they are showing any symptoms of illness. For example: sore throat or runny nose due to possible allergies. We must treat all symptoms as a potential risk to students and staff.

Staff and students may return to school when:

- Fever free for 72 with no other symptoms
- 72 hours after any symptoms of illness have ended

As students may be absent for extended periods due to season illness, it is encouraged that parents please be in contact with their child's teacher to collect any work or assignments that could be completed at home.