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COVID-19 Plan for 20-21

Introduction

Ignite Academy was launched in 2018 with a vision for healthier education. It would be a learning environment different from others in the way it ignited boundless growth in the children of our community. This school would be a place where kids were immersed in REAL HEALTH. Since that original vision statement so much has changed, but the foundation of who we are and what we stand for not only remains, but has been solidified by our current circumstances.

COVID-19 has been a trying time for us all. We mourn with those who have suffered physically, financially, spiritually, and mentally. We acknowledge that many in our community continue to live in fear of what the future holds as we continue to live in uncertainty. Now more than ever, we see the brokenness of our world. We know there is no “perfect” solution but continue to rest in our faith in Jesus and his promise of restoration.

We are thankful to be entering a time of recovery with the approaching school year. Ignite Academy will enter this phase with optimism and hope, firmly grounded in our mission and vision. May the following bring you security and confidence as we enter the 20-21 school year with learners and staff back in school classrooms:

Minimizing Risk

In order to minimize the risk to our children, staff, and community you can expect the following for the 2020-2021 school year:

- Maximum class size of 10 kids
- Maximum school size of 40 kids and 4 classroom teachers
- Daily cleaning of learning spaces
- Minimum of 1 hour of outside time daily to get fresh air (spaced throughout school day)
- Training for all families and staff on how to keep immune system functioning at its best
- Healthy children and staff, free of symptoms, will attend the school day (All others will be asked to take “healing days” at home until it is appropriate for them to return to school)
- Families have the personal choice of sending their child to school in a face mask
- Appropriate hand washing throughout the day

Maximizing the Educational Experience

We care deeply about the complete health of your child, his/her strength of mind, spiritual maturity, and body function, because ultimately it determines the kind of person he/she becomes and his/her impact on this world. While we could continue to isolate our children and



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engage in a digital curriculum, we know that this is not optimal for the growth and development of a child. Next school year, we will continue to hold firmly to our three, essential initiatives:

- Instilling a kingdom mindset- We will continue to point our kids towards a relationship with Christ that inspires a deep love for those around us and an attitude of grace and humility.
- Building enriching community- We were built for community. Kids grow through their interactions with loving adults and other children. Strong relationships foster security and happiness.
- Developing lifelong habits- Daily rhythms of exercise and nutrition will continue. Conversations around developing healthy mindsets, strategies for coping with big emotions/trauma, communication skills, goal setting, taking responsibility, etc. will take place in every classroom because the hearts and minds of our children are important too.

Closing

Unlike many other schools that are managing busing routes, enrollment in the hundreds, district requirements, state-mandated testing, and large institution-sized facilities, we have the unique opportunity to make decisions as a local school for our own community of learners. Education is about doing what's best for the growth and development of the learner in front of you. We have you and your family's interests at heart and we will continue to build this school on the foundation of REAL HEALTH which we envisioned so many years ago.