



## Lexington Latin School's Plan to Return (Fall 2020)

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<b>The Foundations of Our Decision-Making</b>	<p>1. We will first and foremost submit to Biblical authority.</p> <p>Fear is not to be the basis for our decisions. John 14:27 Psalms 56:3 2 Timothy 1:7 2 Chronicles 20:15</p> <p>We are to obey God and respect authority. Romans 13:1-6 Titus 3:1-2 Psalms 118:8-9</p> <p>We live in a fallen world. Romans 8:20-23</p> <p>2. We will pursue the mission of school.</p> <p>3. We will consider recommendations from reputable sources. For example, the CDC (Centers for Disease Control), AAP (American Academy of Pediatrics), WHO (World Health Organization), KDE (Kentucky Department of Education).</p> <p>4. We will not use media sources or anecdotal evidence as the basis for decisions.</p>
<b>Unique Considerations</b>	<p>LLS already enjoys a 40% decreased risk of exposure due to its three day a week on campus schedule. This also allows for 3-4 days of zero campus contact for both students and faculty.</p> <p>The small size of the student population in general presents much less exposure risk than most schools.</p> <p>LLS has very small class sizes allowing for "cohorting" to a much greater degree than most schools.</p>
<b>School Opening</b>	<p>The CDC, AAP, and WHO have recommended opening with in-person classes.</p> <p>Lexington Latin School opens to in-person classes Tuesday, September 8.</p> <p>Opening Ceremony No opening ceremony for the Lower School Modified ceremony for Upper School (still to be determined)</p>

<p><b>Masks</b></p>	<p>We will ask all students to wear masks during certain activities as recommended by the CDC. This will include activities where physical distancing is challenging.</p> <p>If you have a reason your student can't wear a mask, please email the Health Director so we can consider additional precautions. (<a href="mailto:dnickell@lexingtonlatinschool.com">dnickell@lexingtonlatinschool.com</a>)</p> <p>Masks should be solid, muted colors without logos. All students should bring a mask with them and have readily available throughout the day.</p>
<p><b>Daily Arrival and Dismissal</b></p>	<p>Parents will review the “Lexington Latin School Daily Home Screening Checklist” each morning for each child. If your child will remain home based on the checklist, follow the reporting instructions on the form. Click <a href="#">here</a> for a copy of the form.</p> <p>Masks are strongly recommended: for arrival and dismissal, while travelling in hallways, when in close contact with others (&lt; 6ft).</p> <p>Arrival and dismissal may take longer.</p> <p>Temperatures for all students and visitors will be taken before entering the building.</p> <p>Students will move directly to their classrooms or physically distanced spaces upon arrival.</p> <p>Individual pickup locations and procedures are being finalized and will be communicated soon.</p>
<p><b>Classrooms</b></p>	<p>LLS classes are small, allowing classes to be seated 3' to 6' apart (WHO and AAP guidelines). Most classes are able to maintain 6' distancing (CDC guidelines).</p> <p>K-4th grades will be self-contained cohorts and we are arranging schedules to further limit exposure between classes.</p> <p>5th-6th grades will be self-contained, excluding Latin and Math.</p> <p>Students in grades 7-12 will require some class mixing for academic reasons.</p> <p>We will guide students at appropriate times to wear a mask in the classroom. LLS students will be distanced in the classroom and are usually working quietly at their desks therefore masks would not be required. If students are in lines, working at the board, or otherwise working closely with others, masks are strongly recommended.</p>
<p><b>Lunch</b></p>	<p>Lower School: In an effort to distance and maintain cohorts, we will spread out tables in the gym or students will eat in their classrooms. Classes may</p>

	<p>eat outside as weather permits.</p> <p>Upper School: Students will be divided into two groups for separate lunch periods: 7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>. Students may eat outside as weather permits.</p>
<b>PE/Recess</b>	<p>Recess/PE will take place with a single class or cohort.</p> <p>All Recess/PE will be held outside as weather permits.</p> <p>Parents may direct their children on whether to wear a mask during PE/recess.</p>
<b>Choir</b>	<p>We will begin the school year with music appreciation. Choir will resume when appropriate.</p>
<b>Art</b>	<p>Students will have individual supplies and will attend art class in their cohort.</p>
<b>Restroom Breaks</b>	<p>K-6 classes will be using staggered restroom breaks.</p> <p>7-12 students will continue to be given staggered restroom breaks throughout the day to reduce crowding during class changes.</p>
<b>Hygiene and Sanitization</b>	<p>High touch surfaces will be sanitized regularly.</p> <p>Communal items will be eliminated where possible.</p> <p>Students will be reminded to cover coughs and sneezes with a tissue or elbow.</p> <p>Students will use personal water bottles (drinking fountains will be closed).</p> <p>Proper and frequent handwashing will be encouraged.</p>
<b>Online Access to Classrooms</b>	<p>If a student is healthy but quarantined at home, we will try to provide online access to a classroom through Zoom.</p> <p>In K-6th, we will typically only broadcast one teacher per grade.</p>
<b>School or Classroom Closure</b>	<p>According to the CDC, "A single case of COVID-19 in a school would not likely warrant closing the entire school, especially if levels of community transmission are not high."</p> <p>Individual classrooms or buildings <b>may</b> close for 2 to 5 days for disinfection and up to 14 days if a student, visitor, or staff member is diagnosed with Covid-19 and was at school within 2 days before showing symptoms.</p> <p>We will alert you by email in the event of a closure.</p>
<b>FAQs</b>	<p><b>This section will expand over time.</b></p>

	<p><b>Please send your questions to: <a href="mailto:dnickell@lexingtonlatinschool.com">dnickell@lexingtonlatinschool.com</a></b></p> <p><b>When should my child stay home?</b></p> <p>Refer to the “Lexington Latin School Daily Home Screening Checklist.” If any boxes are checked, your child must stay home. We recommend that all children in a household stay home if any children are staying home.</p> <p><b>Will my child be required to wear a mask all day?</b></p> <p>No. According to CDC and AAP guidelines, it is recommended certain children not wear masks. It is not required that children wear masks if they are able to practice the recommended physical distancing. Teachers will guide students when mask wearing is recommended (hallways, working at the board or other areas of potential close contact).</p> <p><b>My child has been diagnosed with Covid-19. When can he (she) return to school?</b></p> <p>Your child may return after at least 24 hours with NO symptoms <u>and</u> NO fever reducing medication. A negative test is not required.</p> <p><b>What does “close contact” mean?</b></p> <p>Close contact as defined by the CDC: “For COVID-19, a close contact is defined as anyone who was within 6 feet of an infected person for at least 15 minutes starting from 48 hours before the person began feeling sick until the time the patient was isolated.”</p> <p><b>What about travel?</b></p> <p>The Kentucky Department of Public Health Travel Advisory recommends a 14-day self-quarantine for travelers who travelled to certain states.</p> <p>Please check for updated travel advisories prior to travel. We recommend no travel to advisory states within two weeks of the start of school or during the school year.</p>
<b>Contacts</b>	<p>Lower School: (859) 940-7485, <a href="mailto:office@lexingtonlatinschool.com">office@lexingtonlatinschool.com</a></p> <p>Upper School: (859) 429-8654; <a href="mailto:upperschool@lexingtonlatinschool.com">upperschool@lexingtonlatinschool.com</a></p> <p>Health Director: <a href="mailto:dnickell@lexingtonlatinschool.com">dnickell@lexingtonlatinschool.com</a></p>
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