

Armenian Mesrobian Ron and Goharik Gabriel Preschool COVID-19 Policies and Procedures

OPERATIONS

- Preschool operational hours will remain 8am-3pm.
- Extended care will not be available.
- Visitors and during the day early pickups or late drop-offs will not be allowed.
- Drop-off and pick-up will be drive-through, at a designated area on Beverly Road.
- Timeframe for drop-offs is: 7:50am 8:30am (gates will close at 8:30am).
- Timeframe for pick-ups is: 3pm 3:15pm. Late parents will be charged, in correspondence with their registration agreement.
- Parents should bring their own pens for signing in and out.
- Assistant teachers will measure the temperatures of arriving children with a non-touch thermometer and record it. Children will be escorted to the Preschool and will wash their hands before entering the classroom. Teachers will communicate with each other with walkie-talkies. There will be a waiting area (a seating table with an umbrella for children's convenience.)

CLASSROOMS

- There will be a maximum of 12 students in each class, with 2 teachers. No part time option will be available.
- Enrollment in Nursery class and potty training will not be available.
- Outdoor classroom times and capacities will be significantly increased.
- Classroom environments and student activities will be reconfigured and reimagined in a creative and child-friendly manner, in compliance with CDC and LA County public health guidelines.
- Circle time will be held in a specially designated outdoor area.
- Seating and other adjustments and activities will be made to help maintain the required physical distancing.
- Groups will not be mixed during indoor/outdoor play or restroom use.
- Each child will be given 3 individual/personal cubbies for:
 - o clothing
 - o educational supplies
 - o water bottle and dishware
- There will be no costumes for dramatic play and no stuffed animals.
- There will be no rugs and cushions in the classrooms; each child will be given an individual washable rug.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

- There will be a non-touch sanitizer dispenser for adults and a portable sink for children in front of the classrooms.
- There will be a frequent hand-washing schedule during the day, after each activity.
- All used toys and materials will be washed and sanitized daily.
- After each group use, the space will be cleaned and sanitized before the other group arrives.
- Children 3 and above are encouraged to wear face coverings.
- Students should wear face coverings if they are able to do the following:
 - o remove and replace the face covering without adult assistance
 - o avoid touching the face covering
 - o bring several face coverings, to change throughout the day
- Students' temperatures will be taken and recorded twice a day: upon arrival, and in the afternoon, before nap time.
- Anyone with a temperature at or above 100.4 will not be allowed to enter the campus.
- Students' beds will be placed 6 feet apart from each other, in a head to toe direction.
- As bedding, we will require one piece of Rolled Nap Mat, with an attached pillow and blanket. Sizes should not exceed 20 by 40 inches. It will be stored in a special plastic bag after nap time and will be sent home to wash at the end of each week.
- Individual washable rugs will also be sent home to wash when needed.
- A new Sick Child Policy will be established. Accordingly, parents will be notified immediately and will be required to pick their child within 30 minutes if their child exhibits signs of flu congestion, runny nose or sneezing, and/or COVID-19 symptoms, such as:
 - * Fever of 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit or higher
 - * Dry cough
 - * Chills
 - * Shortness of breath
 - * Loss of taste or smell
 - * Sore throat

- * Headache
- * Congestion or runny nose
- * Nausea or Vomiting
- * Diarrhea
- * Muscle aches
- * Fatigue

The student will be isolated in a designated room with a staff member until he/she is picked up. The student must be symptom-free without any medications for 72 hours before returning to the facility.

FOOD AND NUTRITION

- School will continue to provide a well-balanced meal 3 times a day, which includes breakfast, lunch, and snacks.
- Family-style food will not be allowed.
- Lunch will be served in individual pre-packaged disposable trays.
- Snacks will be pre-packaged in individual Ziploc bags 72 hours before the use.
- Children will be required to bring their own water bottle (thermos) every day, which will be stored in their personal cubbies, accessible to them at all times.

TEACHERS

- Teachers will get staff training on COVID-19 prevention, symptoms, and transmission before school starts.
- Teachers will receive a health screening every morning, including temperature and oxygen level checks.
- Teachers will be provided Personal Protective Equipment, such as gloves, face coverings, and hand sanitizers.
- Teachers will bring their own lunch and beverages, and cannot share with each other.
- All subjects, including music, will be instructed by the same homeroom teacher.
- Any staff member exhibiting signs of flu and/or COVID-19 symptoms will be required to leave the premises immediately and follow CDC guidelines for a safe return to school.
- There will be a substitute teacher on call to replace the absent teacher.
- Teachers will be required to increase online communication with parents, through Class-Dojo, by providing pictures and videos, and actively responding to parents' questions and feedback, among other measures.

PARENTS

Parents are required to:

- be on time during drop-off and pick-up and have their own pen for signing.
- give a full bath to their children right after school.
- purchase several uniforms to always have new and clean ones available.
- train their child to wear a face covering by making it fun and enjoyable.
- purchase a new Rolled Nap-Mat for bedding. (samples will be on Class-Dojo)
- provide extra clothes for their child, labeled in a Ziploc bag.
- bring personal Hygiene items/toiletries for the first day of school (list is posted on Class-Dojo).
- get a water bottle (thermos) for your child.
- limit your child's contact outside of care to persons living in your household.
- do not gather with anyone that does not live in your household.
- immediately notify the Preschool Director if you become aware of any person with whom your child or you had contact with exhibiting COVID-19 symptoms.
- If anyone from your household or your workplace tested positive for COVID-19, parents are advised to self-isolate, quarantine and comply with CDC guidelines, and immediately notify the Preschool Director.
- Parents must sign the new the COVID-19 Policies and Procedures Agreement Form before school starts.
- All of the statements above are subject to change based on COVID-19 developments.