

Safe Return In Person Instruction and Continuity of Services Plan 2021-2022

Amigos Por Vida Friends for Life Charter School looks forwards to welcoming all students to 100% face to face on August 16, 2021. Despite the challenges faced during the 20-21 school year, we continue to provide an excellent education for our students both in person and on-line learning environment. As the public health crisis continues, we have planned for the opening our 2021-2022 school year with the academic focus of our students along with the social, emotional wellbeing, health, safety, and mental health of our student, staff, and community.

Student health protocols:

APV will follow TEA public guidance for school. <https://tea.texas.gov/texas-schools/health-safety-discipline/covid/covid-19-support-public-health-orders>

- Families will not send students to school if they have the COVID 19 diagnosis or COVID 19 symptoms.
- Families must immediately notify the school nurse if the student has any COVID 19 symptoms or tested positive.
- Students will be encouraged (but not mandated) to wear masks.
- Students will follow the campus specific guidelines regarding social distancing to the fullest extent possible.
- **Social/Physical distancing**
 - Existing spaces are converted into classrooms to help with social distancing.
 - Reminder posters with proper protocols regarding handwashing and respiratory etiquette are displayed for all students and employees across the campus.
 - New water fountains installed. All students will bring their own water bottle and be able to fill from a water fountain but not drink directly from the water fountain.

Employee Health Protocols:

APV will follow TEA public guidance for school. <https://tea.texas.gov/texas-schools/health-safety-discipline/covid/covid-19-support-public-health-orders>

- Employees will self-screen for COVID 19 symptoms before coming to the campus each day. Employees must immediately report to their supervisor whether they have COVID 19 symptoms or tested positive for COVID 19.
- Employees who are lab confirmed to have COVID 19 or symptoms must follow the CDC guidelines regarding staying at home and returning to work.
- All employees will be encouraged (but not mandated) to wear masks.
- Employees will practice approved environment cleaning/disinfection, hand hygiene and respiratory edict.
- Reminder posters with proper protocols will be displayed for all employees and students to follow.

Campus Procedures:

Infection Protocols

Students and adults who experience COVID-19 symptoms while at school will be isolated in the nurse's office. These isolation room will be supervised at all times, always stocked with masks and hand sanitizer, and thoroughly cleaned each day.

Should a student or employee become ill while at school, administrators will follow the protocols outlined in the Health and Medical Services Procedural Guideline for Exposure, Suspected, or Confirmed Positive COVID-19 Students, Employees, and Visitors.

Areas where the student or employee was present will be closed for cleaning and disinfection in alignment with Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and Environmental Protection Agency guidelines.

Impacted staff, students, and parents will be notified of any closures and/or possible exposures.

Hygiene Protocols

Fliers outlining hygiene tips and best practices will be posted in common areas, and all student, employees, visitors, and vendors, will be required to follow hand hygiene and respiratory etiquette as outlined by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

- All must routinely wash and sanitize their hands using either soap or hand sanitizer containing at least 60 percent alcohol.
- Hands must be washed for at least 20 seconds.
- Employees must cover coughs and sneezes with tissues, throw used tissues in the trash, and then wash hands immediately with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.

On-campus COVID Testing and Vaccination

- Free On-campus COVID -19 PCR and FLU testing provided for the community Monday through Friday by Baylor Genetics starting September 8,2021.
- On Campus vaccinations: Harris County Public Health All Children's Vaccination site for 6 months to 18 years and UMMC COVID-19 vaccination site for children & adults (Pfizer, Moderna & Johnson & Johnson -all doses)09/11 ,10/16, 10/27, ,11/13,12/3,12/4

Campus Cleaning and Disinfecting procedures

- Maintenance employees will follow the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention guidelines regarding the cleaning, sanitation, and disinfection of all district facilities.
- High-touch areas — such as restrooms, main offices, early childhood classrooms, elevators, and employee sign-in/ sign-out areas — and will be identified and cleaned

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every hour.

- Classrooms and offices will be provided with enough hand soap, paper towels, tissues, hand sanitizer, and disinfectant to accommodate frequent cleaning of high touch areas, and stock will be replenished regularly or upon request.
- The building will be Thermal fogged treated every two weeks to minimize the risk of infection. (Modified)

Building Ventilation

We have a new HVAC system that will improve the air filtering for the whole building. The improved air quality will help in minimizing spreading of infection.

Continuity Of Services:

APV-FLL will ensure that continuity of services for all students remains at the highest standard of excellence. Our goal is to provide a safe environment for our life long learners....!

- **Accelerated Learning:**

To help students make up for the learning loss due to COVID 19 APV-FLL will be implementing HB 4545 recently passed in the 87th regular legislative session.

To help with the learning acceleration plan APV-FLL will be providing supplemental instruction (tutoring) during school day daily for 30 minutes.

- **High Impact Tutoring**

Regular, targeted small-group intervention during the school day provided by Interventionists.

After school and Saturday tutorial for interventions and acceleration

- **Summer School**

Extend learning time by offering small-group summer school to a targeted group of students.

- **Social/ Emotional /Mental Support for Staff and Students**

Counseling and guidance provided to students and parents so they may assume responsibility for maintenance of student health.

Parental classes on various topics like Health & Hygiene, Diabetes control, Mental health, Bullying etc. are provided as support resources

Resources for mental health support for students and employees provided by the school counselor

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