

## Dear Alpha Parents,

Alpha International Academy always strives to offer our students and parents classroom instruction that is laced with rigor, relevance, compassion, and character. The Coronavirus shall not impede our overarching goals at Alpha. Still, we have many factors to consider as we embrace the 2020-2021 school year.

We are providing three opportunities for your children to continue their education. You may choose to have your child(ren) learn at home via distant learning, Flexible Learning or you may elect to send your child(ren) back to school in the Brick and Mortar. If you decide to send your child to the school, please be assured that we will do everything in our power to maintain a safe environment. Our building is cleaned every evening and extra attention will be focused on common "touch areas" such as door handles and light switches. Some critical changes include the following guidelines we have been recommended to follow and implement:

- 1. All students MUST wear a mask as long as they are in the school.
- 2. Parents may not visit or help out in the school until we have a vaccine.
- 3. Students must use a water bottle to access the water fountain
- 4. Students will eat in their classroom or at the picnic tables if they are available. The State recommends schools do not use the cafeterias; they do not want varied cohorts of students mixing.
- 5. The cafeteria and the multipurpose room may be used to help us with social distancing, especially with our little people.
- 6. All Parent Orientations, Parent Partner Meetings, SAC Meetings, Award Ceremonies such as our monthly character awards will now be virtual zoom meetings. A link will be sent out as an invite and then parents can opt to attend remotely.

Regardless whether you select Remote Live Instruction or Brick and Mortar (in the building) learning, you will be expected to maintain your child's seat as decided until further notice. We cannot permit back and forth movement between the two modes of instruction.

If you do elect to send your children to our physical site, I ask that you be realistic and think this through for your entire family. While we will do our best to keep our building free of the virus, we cannot control the elements that come into the building with our students every day. While I hope and pray no student or any of their family members become ill, I am not ignorant regarding the vicious nature of this pandemic. You must decide what is best for your child and family. Please return the signature page indicating your preference is to have your child(ren) attend school in the Brick and Mortar. If you



prefer the Flexible Learning or Distant Learning, please complete that particular paper and sign your name and the name of your child(ren).

I know this is a big decision. Be thoughtful and make the best choice for your child and your family. Please return the signature page that represents your choice for the 2020-2021 school year no later than Tuesday, July 21st.

Best Regards,

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