



The Silver Creek Adventist School 2020-2021 year will be fitted after a traditional/in-class learning environment for all students, and we will implement safety guidelines as outlined in this document. This decision comes to you after careful thought and consideration for the health and wellbeing of our students and staff. The plan and information below has been approved by your local school board and the Carolina Conference Office of Education.

I. GENERAL SAFETY GUIDELINES AS ESTABLISHED BY the SCAS School Board:

- SCAS will require staff and/or students to stay at home when sick
- Social distancing (staying at least 6 feet apart from others in a shared space)
- Frequently washing hands and/or use alcohol-based (at least 60% alcohol) hand sanitizer when soap and water are not available
- Face masks are optional
- Students/Staff will avoid touching eyes, nose, and mouth
- SCAS will be cleaning and disinfecting frequently touched objects and surfaces (based on frequency of use)
- Students will stay in their classrooms to eat lunch
- Students will only be with their class during recess/PE (not the entire school)
- Entrance to the building is limited to students and staff
- Individual bottled water brought from home
- Classroom seating will support social distancing guidelines
- Floor decals for social distancing will be utilized in the hallways and classrooms
- We are limiting our class sizes in K-1 to 10 students, grades 2-4 to 10-12 students, and grades 5-8 to 10-12 students
- NO hot lunch will be served this school year or until deemed safe
- Classrooms have established monitoring policies for places of congregation (bathroom, lockers, playground, library, computer usage, playground, gymnasium, lunchroom, etc.)

II. GENERAL WELLNESS & HYGIENE PRACTICES AND EXPECTATIONS: *In addition to the criteria referred to in the previous section, the following general hygiene practices should be followed on a regular basis in order to insure maximum protection from COVID-19 spread.*

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- Hands-free sanitizing stations will be provided in classrooms and hallways by the local school board.
- Frequent handwashing will occur throughout the school day
- Soap and paper towel dispensers will be kept refilled in classrooms and Bathrooms
- Water fountains should be disabled for use at this time. Each student/staff must provide their own bottled water for daily use. A supply of extra bottled water should be available at all times.

III. VIRTUAL LEARNING LAUNCH:

- If it is necessary, that our students must participate in virtual learning the allotted time frame to launch the program would be approximately 48 hours after school closure.

IV. SCHOOL CLEANING PROTOCOL:

- The custodial staff will continue to frequently clean with an approved cleaner.
- Our cleaners meet the requirements put in place by the NC Department of Health & Human Services
- High usage areas will be cleaned daily, such as:
 - bathrooms
 - desks
 - doorknobs
 - play equipment
 - classroom community supplies



V. REGISTRATION AND SCHEDULE ADJUSTMENTS:

Registration:

- Teachers will call families to schedule individual times in order to register your child(ren) for school. *This will include a time for their beginning of year assessments.*
- Contact our school treasurer (Glenda Sparks) before you schedule a time to register your child in order to make arrangements to pay registration fees and to reserve your child(ren) spot.

Schedule Changes:

- It is important for your child(ren) to be on time for school in order for their morning health screening. These need to be completed by 8:00 am, in order to allow for the time needed to complete these health screenings the school **building will open at 7:30am.**
- Please have your child here on time, this is very important in order to keep our classrooms free from unnecessary interruption.
- **The school day will end at 2:30 pm Monday-Thursday, you will receive virtual physical fitness activities in your child's planner.**
- **Noon dismissals every Friday with a virtual PE activity, and chapel program offered instead of group assemblies.**

VI. COVID-19 SYMPTOMS AND HEALTH SCREENING:

- Temperature monitoring
- Mandatory COVID-19 testing if symptoms are present
- Symptom questionnaire must be completed before your child can come to school
- If staff/student exhibits symptoms of illness or appears to be sick, you MUST send them home

VII. REPORTING COVID-19 SYMPTOMS:

- If any student or staff member tests positive for Covid-19 it is mandatory to report this to the Head Teacher.
- Silver Creek requests that if any student or staff member is exposed to Covid-19 that you notify the school.
- If staff/student exhibits symptoms of illness or appears to be sick, they WILL be sent home immediately
- Families will be notified if their child has been exposed to the COVID-19 virus.

VIII. SAMPLE STATEMENT FOR USE IN STUDENT APPLICATION FORM FOR 2020-21:

I understand that although _____ (school) has taken state recommended steps to operate safely, the nature of schools, the facilities and the children involved, it is not possible to entirely eliminate all risk of COVID-19 or other contagious illnesses. I understand the assumption of risk that I am making by enrolling my child and will not hold the school liable. We ask if your child has a fever, come into contact with someone who has COVID-19, has a cough or sore throat, shortness of breath and/or difficulty breathing, aches or pains, or a recent loss of taste or smell, you will contact the school immediately. Thank you for your help as we navigate this situation. _____ Initial

Health Questions:

(Please read, sign, and return at registration)

For the safety of all, each morning before entering the school building students and/or parents will be asked the following questions to reduce the chances of transmission of germs.

1. Have you been in close contact* with someone who has a laboratory confirmed COVID-19 diagnosis in the last 14 days?
2. Do you currently have a fever of 100.4 degrees or higher or the chills?
3. Do you have a frequent cough or sore throat?
4. Are you experiencing shortness of breath or difficulty of breathing?
5. Do you currently, or have you recently experienced a headache or body aches or pain?
6. Have you experienced a recent loss of taste or smell?

*According to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), close contact is defined as a) Being within approximately 6 feet (2 meters) of a COVID-19 case for a prolonged period of time (defined as greater than 15 minutes); or b) having direct contact with infectious secretions of a COVID-19 case (e.g., being coughed on)

I understand that if the answer to any of the above questions is yes, my child will be asked to go home immediately and cannot return to school without a written doctor's note. I agree to answer these questions honestly, because I understand that it is very important for the safety of others. Falsification of daily health questionnaire could result in termination of enrollment.

Parent Signature

Date

Daily Health Screen Questions

(within the last 24 hours)

Respiratory issues?

Fever?

Sore throat?

Cough?

Ache?

LOSS of Taste and Smell?

Exposure?

Do NOT come to school if you have had any of these symptoms!