



# BERKLEY CHARTER SCHOOL

## 2020-2021 REOPENING & SAFETY PLAN

Berkley Elementary will provide a **traditional model** for students return to campus where students will interact directly with their teacher(s) and classmates. The school day will follow the standard bell times and standard schedule that includes all the core classes and other subject areas. In short, it represents a return to the traditional school environment with several significant changes involving enhanced health and safety precautions.

### PUBLIC HEALTH ACTIONS ON CAMPUS

- **No visitors**, large group gatherings or in person field trips will be scheduled.
- **Orientation and Open House** will be held **virtually**.
- **Parent meetings** as well as IEP, 504, ELL meetings will be conducted via **phone conferencing** or another similar option.
- **During student drop off and pick up parents will remain in the car.** No parent or other adult non-staff members are allowed to enter the campus with the exception of prek parents walking their prek student to and from class. Parents with a prek student will have a special badge that shall be worn during drop off and pick up. These are the only parents who should be walking their child to and from class. All other parents are to remain in their car following proper car rider pick up and drop off protocols.
- The school will utilize **“rainy day” dismissal procedures** to enable students to be dismissed for car rider pick up in a staggered fashion.
- Staff and student **temperature checks** upon entering the classroom.
- Groups of students stay together throughout the school day.
- **Promote social distancing** when feasible.
- **Staying home when appropriate** (illness, fever, cough, those who have had close contact with a person with COVID-19...)
- **Hand Hygiene and Respiratory Etiquette.**
  - Teach and reinforce handwashing with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
  - Encourage staff and students to cover coughs and sneezes properly.
  - Provide hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol near work and bus areas.
- Teach and reinforce **use of cloth face coverings** for students. Face coverings are **recommended** to be worn by staff and students as feasible.
- Support healthy hygiene behaviors by providing **adequate supplies**, including soap, hand sanitizer, paper towels etc.
- **Post signs in highly visible locations** (e.g., school entrances, restrooms) that promote everyday protective measures and describe how to stop the spread of germs.
  - Teach lessons during class about reducing the spread of COVID-19.
  - Utilize free CDC print and digital resources on CDC’s website.
- **Maintaining healthy environments.**
  - Cleaning and Disinfection, using EPA approved products, frequently touched surfaces (e.g., playground equipment, door handles, sink handles, drinking fountains) within the school and on school buses at least daily or between use as much as possible. Limit the use of shared objects when possible and clean between classes as possible.

- Ensure safe and correct use and storage of cleaning and disinfection products, including storing products securely away from children.
- Discourage sharing of items that are difficult to clean or disinfect.
- Keep each child’s belongings separated from others’ and in individually labeled containers, cubbies, baggies, or areas when feasible.
- Properly clean and disinfect between uses of electronic devices, toys, books, and other games or learning aids.
- Limit furnishings in classroom to those items that can be disinfected daily when feasible (no rugs, curtains, etc.).

**STUDENT MEALS**

- **Students will eat meals in the classrooms** instead of the cafeteria. Students will go through the line and back to class with their enclosed “to go” breakfast and or lunch.
- The school will use **disposable food service items** (e.g., utensils, dishes).
- If **snacks** are served in the classroom, they shall be **individually prepackaged items**.

**SCHOOL BUS SAFETY**

- Bus drivers practice all safety actions and protocols as indicated for other staff.
- Expect students to wear face coverings on the school bus. Students without face coverings at the morning pick up will be picked up, but they will not be allowed to return home on the bus without a face covering.
- Clean high touch areas between runs.
- Disinfect each bus thoroughly at the end of each day.

Students who cannot participate in the traditional model due to illness or quarantine, will be provided with online learning or paper copy of work that can be done while at home with the expectation they will be returning to school when it is safe.

Quick Reference Guide:

Educational Delivery	Food & Nutrition	Bus Safety
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Traditional face-to-face Instruction</li> <li>● Classes will remain as a group when feasible.</li> <li>● Online and/or paper packets will be made available if a student gets ill or is required to quarantine and needs to stay home (as appropriate depending on illness level).</li> <li>● No outside visitors will be allowed during the school day to limit exposure.</li> <li>● Face coverings will be recommended.</li> <li>● Additional cleaning and hand hygiene</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Meals will be provided “through the line and back to class” style.</li> <li>● Students will eat meals in the classrooms.</li> <li>● Students will be encouraged to wash their hands before and after meals.</li> <li>● Social distancing will be encouraged while going through the line to pick up meals.</li> <li>● Students may opt to bring a packed lunch from home. Keep in mind, no restaurant food can be delivered to students.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Regular seating plan on buses.</li> <li>● Face coverings must be worn.</li> <li>● High touch areas will be cleaned between runs.</li> <li>● Buses will be cleaned thoroughly at the end of each day.</li> <li>● Hand sanitizer stations will be available for student use at the entrance of the bus and campus and the beginning and end of each day.</li> </ul>

The primary responsibility for determining the best option for school setting will always reside with the parents/guardians. Each family has a comfort level for the degree of safety precautions for their student. In no case do we dictate to families the model of learning a student must take in order to obtain an education. Please remember Berkley has opted to provide the traditional model and this is only one option for your child to receive an education. The state and district offer many different options including online learning through Polk Virtual, Florida Virtual, as well as other school choice options which includes a student’s zone school which may provide additional options as well.

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