

August 25, 2021

Dear Parents/Guardians,

As we prepare to open school, uppermost in our minds is the health and safety for all students and staff. During the school day, multiple layers of safety precautions will be implemented addressing Covid concerns. Adaire will open following the recommendations and guidelines of the School District of Philadelphia, the Philadelphia Department of Public Health and the CDC.

I am writing this letter with the purpose of explaining the cafeteria/lunchroom and its use. The procedures and protocols we will be implementing during the use of the cafeteria for all lunch periods are as follows:

- There will be 3, 45 minute lunch periods
 - First Lunch
 - Group 1 - 1st Gr. 11:00
 - Group 2 - 2nd Gr. 11:25
 - Second Lunch
 - Group 1 - 3rd Gr. 11:45
 - Group 2 - 2 - 4th Gr. 12:10
 - Third Lunch
 - Group 1 - 1 - 5th/6th Gr. 12:30
 - Group 2 - 2 - 7th/8th Gr. 12:55
- Each lunch period is divided into 2 phases:
 - Students in each lunch period will be divided into 2 groups, with half the number of students assigned to that lunch period eating, while the other half of students supervised, outside in the school yard unmasked
 - Phase 1 - 20 minutes when students will be, unmasked, in the lunchroom eating for 20 minutes
 - Phase 2 - 20 minutes where students will be in the yard
- While in the lunchroom/cafeteria, students will be seated, on only one side of the table to which they are assigned
- Seat assignments will be by class and not with other students from other classrooms
- Where possible, seat assignments will stay within the 3 foot designation (the School District of Philadelphia recommendation)
- We are allowing for a 5 minute transition from the lunchroom/cafeteria to the yard and vice-versa
- Kindergarten students will have lunch in their classrooms, then going out into the yard
- In the event of inclement weather, students in Phase 2 will be reassigned to the auditorium

We are all facing challenging days; however, we are committed to providing and promoting positive health and safety standards for all.

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