## LISA Academy

Ready for Learning- Fall 2020



## School Begins August 24, 2020

LISA Academy continues to work to support students and their families by planning for the 2020-2021 school year.

# What will the school year look like?

The following slides will explain what we are planning for your student at LISA Academy.



Deadline July 13

## Families Need to Choose Their Student's Method of Instruction for 20-21

#### **Blended/Onsite**

#### K-12

Students come to school every day. Teachers provide in-person instruction and guide them with practice with online platforms to use in the event of a closure.

#### <u>Virtual</u>

#### <u>K-8</u>

Students follow LISA guided online instruction with a LISA staff member guiding daily lessons. Virtual learning will be taught using the same LISA materials as classroom instruction.

#### 9-12

Students follow course requirements guided by trained team members or online learning management platforms. Student progress will be monitored and supported by LISA staff members as well.



### What will a day look like on campus?

- K-8 remains in one classroom during most of day,
   9-12 limited class changes
- All students on typical M-F schedule
- Social distancing as much as possible
- Meals in classroom or cafeteria at reduced capacity
- No clubs, except competition clubs, first semester. Aftercare until 5:30pm.
- No lockers for middle/high, bring clear or mesh backpack.



## What will a day look like on

LISA Academy's goal is to provide as "typical" of a school day situation for students returning to school as we can. We will put procedures in place to encourage and promote social distancing during class transitions: signs to direct traffic flow while traveling in hallways, standing in line in the cafeteria, playtime during recess, standing in dismissal lines, etc. Social distancing will be observed as much as feasibly possible, but at times students will be closer than the recommended 6 feet. Face coverings will be recommended to promote the health and safety of students, especially during times of transition.

Classroom spaces do not allow for 6 feet of physical distance between students, but teachers will arrange seating to create as much physical distancing as possible.

## Will masks be required?

The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and the Arkansas Department of Health (ADH) <u>are recommending</u> all individuals ages 10 and older wear a face covering when in public settings. As a district, we will require all students and adults to wear masks. The <u>district requests that</u> parents/guardians send a face mask with their student, we will also provide one cloth mask per student.

LISA Academy will follow the CDC and ADH guidance given concerning mask wearing on August 24, 2020.



### Will students be screened daily?

Parents will be asked to screen students daily using the linked form.

Students will be screened by staff, by taking their temperature upon arrival. Students
with
temps
over 100
will be
referred
to the
school
nurse for
evaluation.



What plans are there proper cleaning?

#### **District**

LISA Academy, since the beginning of the pandemic, has focused on ensuring that CDC approved proper sanitation and cleaning procedures and practices are in place. The health and safety of students and adults has been and will continue to be a top priority for our district.

#### **Schools**

In support of healthy practices, classrooms and other spaces, we will be stocked with appropriate cleaning chemicals, towels, wipes, gloves, and masks for intermittent cleaning. Staff will ensure this occurs frequently (examples: table tops after pulling a reading group, door handles, PE equipment, etc.).

#### **Janitorial Service**

**Our cleaning** company, SG360 is prepared to continuously monitor restrooms, high-touch areas, etc. throughout the school day. They will use the district's disinfectant foggers to sanitize large spaces such as buses, cafeterias, gyms, etc.

## What if a student comes school

If a student comes to school sick, the school nurse will screen the student and check their temperature. If the temperature is over the ADH guidance, the student will be sent home and will need to be fever free for 24 hours without medication before returning to school. When the child returns to school they will check in with the school nurse. Please remember, students should not attend school having taken fever reducing medicine. Students should be fever free when attending school.

## What if someone tests positive for **COVID 19?**

In the event an individual tests positive, we will be in direct contact with ADH and follow their guidance. This could result in a brief closure of a single school within the district to provide time for additional cleaning and sanitation.



Will students eat in the cafeteria? **Use water** fountains?

#### **CAFETERIA USE**

LISA Academy will use CDC, ADE, and Child Nutrition guidelines regarding cafeteria use. If possible, most campuses will use the cafeterias at reduced capacity and utilize strategies to socially distance as much as possible.

Other times, students will eat meals in their classrooms. As before, students will have the option to bring their meals or choose a catered meal.

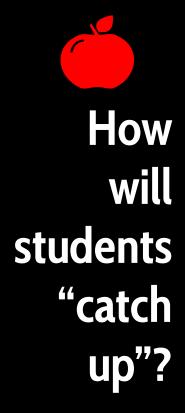
#### WATER FOUNTAINS USE

To help maximize health/safety of students, LISA Academy is asking that every student bring a clear, filled water bottle to school daily. Students are encouraged to clean their bottle each night, fill with water, and bring to school to use as needed. Athletes may bring additional water containers for athletic periods/practice. Community water fountains will not be used.

## about classes and K-5 recess?

K- 5th grade students will still be provided recess time/outdoor play time. Playground equipment will be sanitized regularly. Students will be instructed to create physical distance when playing. We realize that during play time, children may not be able to maintain 6 feet of social distance, but increasing physical distance will be encouraged. Again, mask wearing will be required to promote the health and safety of students.

We will hold PE and all electives classes for students as before, incorporating revised plans to better ensure the safety of students.



#### **Academics**

Students will be assessed using diagnostic assessments. The results of these will inform teachers what level students are currently performing on and what interventions are needed to fill in learning gaps.

**Identified** needs will be addressed in classrooms and during intervention sessions. Pull outs will continue using social distancing strategies.

Parents can help by encouraging students to read 10-20 minutes a day this summer.

Assessments may include MAP (K-10), ACT (11th), PSAT (10th), NWEA Reading Fluency (K-1).



What about arrival and dismissal times?

Specific arrival and dismissal times will be shared during check in. There may be staggered times and/or changes to last year's schedules.

Please monitor the district's website (www.lisaacademy.org), social media (Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram), emails and text alerts for the latest information.

### What plans are being made for students needing special services?

will be prepared to support all learners again this school year.

**Precautions will** be in place in special needs' classrooms, such as more frequent cleaning, additional mask wearing, physical distancing requirements, etc.

In the event of future school closures, students will receive dyslexia services, therapies, etc. virtually.

LISA Academy will continue to provide support to all students through its ESOL, Gifted and Talented, RTI and Special Education programs.



## Other Important Information

LISA Academy will follow CDC and ADH guidelines regarding special events scheduled throughout the year, such as honor roll assemblies, science fairs, etc.

LISA Academy's plans have been made by a committee of administrators, teachers, staff and parents, and are consistent with best practices shared by other districts and DESE.

LISA Academy will continue to support the mental health needs of its students and staff this year. **Additional** staff have been added.



- Students in K-12 will take their Chromebooks home for access to live and downloaded instruction. LISA uses a system to monitor all chromebook usage.
- Instruction will consist of what is currently being used in the classroom.
- Schoology, Google Classroom and the online curriculum portals will serve as our Learning Management Systems. Teachers will issue grades for assignments. Parents will be able to view grades in HAC.
- When students are served blended/onsite, teachers will practice with students using the LMS to ensure they are prepared if faced with future school closures.
- AMI Days will not be used in the 20/21 school year. Blended Learning will be used instead to ensure a continuation of learning.
- This approach will also allow students who might be ill or quarantined for a limited amount of time to continue their education even if they are not physically present in the classroom.

### What if I don't want my student to attend on-site instruction?

- Families who are interested in their student being educated through virtual methods should indicate so on the survey sent to all families.
- Students who are signed up for virtual school are expected to complete a minimum of 1 semester before returning to on-site instruction.
- Students who excel in this type of environment are self-motivated learners, who have support for learning in the home environment.

## 20-21 Start strong, Finish strong!

Specifics may change based on guidance available on opening day.
Contact your local campus with any questions. Go to lisaacademy.org
for updated, temporary contact information.