



Raising Knowledge Academy

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Dear RKA Parents and Guardians,

I hope all of you are having a great summer! Remember to stay home and stay safe! Covid-19 is something that has happened to all of us not just as a state but as something that happened globally, but good news! Another school year is about to start; the year 2020-2021. As a school we have taken every all of the security measures necessary. This year is a year of new goals, challenges and experiences, some of our students have left, but we welcome our new students and parents entering to our Raising Knowledge Academy family! Our school community keeps growing and growing, and it is a great pleasure to welcome you to our big family.

The labor of our teachers has been exceptional, they are preparing to receive their new students. We have combined our curriculum in a way where if our students must go back to 100% Distant Learning, they will be able to accomplish all the requirements for them to be able to pass their grade level.

When it comes to security of our school ground, and students, and personnel, below are the measures we will be making in order to function during this Pandemic of the Covid – 19:

- 1. All students need to wear a mask during inside and outside school property.**
- 2. All student must always bring a personal hand sanitizer with them.**
- 3. In the entrance of the school, anyone who comes in will have their temperature taken and they will be asked a series of questions in a health questionnaire provided by CDC Department and Department of Health. If temperature is more than 100.4 F., you will be sent home immediately, and will not be able to come back to school premises until a doctor's note has been issued explaining what was cause of the fever.**

- 4. If the child has been in contact with someone that has been tested positive for Covid-19, the child will have to be in Quarantine for 15 days, and automatically will enter the Distant Learning Program.**
- 5. If the child has been sick of any form, please stay home with them. They will not be able to return to school without a clearance from the doctor that they are not a risk to any of the students. During time child is not present, he will be in the Distant Learning Program until child is cleared by a doctor.**
- 6. If the child, for any reason, needs to leave the state or the country. We will require 15 days of Quarantine and testing of Covid-19 stating it is negative.**
- 7. To all our students that are entering from 6th - 12th grade, you will be required to take the test for Covid-19, just like we are doing to all our personnel, administration, and bus drivers.**
- 8. Every child before they enter the school, will be disinfected with the disinfectant fog to make sure they are 99.9% free of Covid-19**
- 9. We will be having assigned personnel disinfecting the common areas and the bathroom every time it is used by student or school personnel.**
- 10. Parents will only be attended by appointments, since we are disinfecting, and school premises will be used 100% of the time.**
- 11. In the classroom, we are using the 6ft. apart social distancing, in this case every student will have an assigned seat in which they will not be allowed to switch with another student.**
- 12. Social Distancing will also be conducted and practiced in the lunchroom, lines, and anytime a classroom must move to another place in school.**

We do recognize that things change daily, and we will keep taking our measures necessary to keep good health and a secure place for your children.

The hours of the school, to be able to comply with the rules and regulations of the students scholarships, students will be attending school from Monday – Friday with a 5 hour daily schedule and 30 minute lunch. (8:00 am – 1:30 pm). The exits outside will be limited and the maximum time to be outside of the school premises is 15 minutes. In case of a change, where Covid-19 cases are going higher in the state or county, or if by required by the Department of Education the student will only be reuniting in school for 3 days only and 2 days of Distant Learning or however the Department of Education stipulates what we have to do as a school.

Meetings with teachers, administration, they will be through Zoom Meeting (the hours to schedule meetings is from 2:00 pm to 4:00pm) from Tuesday to Thursday. In case that you need to meet face to face the meetings will take place on Monday or Friday from 12 pm to 3:00 pm. I hope you are all able to understand this and let's practice communication through email or in your student's planners. This is all to keep and maintain the security of your child in school and their health.

This year the school transportation will be limited to those students who really need it. As a school we used to be able to take 15 passengers per van now we have to limit that to 10 passengers per van. We also want to make sure that students are getting there on time to school premises as to their houses when going home. We hope for your cooperation with this situation regarding social distancing.

School premises will be opened from 7 am for those that need to arrive early.

Thank you for your cooperation, and if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact our School Administrator- Mrs. Rojas. We will gladly answer any concerns that you might have. Rules implemented by the CDC Department in Transportation Services will be the ones in place in our school.

This year we have started our sports programs that include volleyball (both genders male and female), basketball (both genders male and female), and competitive bowling. Support our new sports programs in the school and let's support our children for wanting to be a part of Raising Knowledge Academy Owls!

Thank you for letting us be part of your child's education. We hope that for the year 2020-2021 we can accomplish all the goals we have put ourselves too. God Bless all of you with health and keeping everyone free of Covid-19. I will see you all the first day of school – August 10, 2020.

Have a beautiful July 4th weekend and rest of the summer full of adventures remembering to stay safe and healthy!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Cotto
School Principal

Mrs. Rojas
School Administrator.