



Dear Parents,

I appreciate your patience in the Covid-19 pandemic and school opening issues. Here at Millennium Academy, we are offering several options to our families as a way of meeting our students' educational and psychological needs. We are prepared to open on August 10th at 8:00 Am, with school starting at 8:30 Am.

We are not holding a school picnic this year, but we will have several meets in the next few weeks to answer any questions you may have:

Those dates will be:

Back to school meet **K-5** July 22, at 10

<https://meet.google.com/qui-ijai-hps>

Back to school meet **K-5** July 23, at 4:00 pm

<https://meet.google.com/bvf-zows-pcm>

Middle school meet 10:00 am July 27

<https://meet.google.com/gqx-zngx-ukb>

Middle School meet 6:00 July 28

<https://meet.google.com/gym-rqcs-pyx>

High School meet July 30, 10 am

<https://meet.google.com/xcr-ghkf-fwb>

High School Meet July 31, 5 pm

<https://meet.google.com/qmo-ofqf-mxw>

For the beginning of the school year:

We are going to ask parents to stay in their vehicles and have a staff member ask a set of

questions prior to the student leaving the vehicle.

A. The health-related questions will be:

Have you or anyone you have been in contact with had:

1. Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
2. Fever
3. Chills
4. Repeated shaking with chills
5. Runny nose or new sinus congestion
6. Muscle pain
7. Sore throat
8. Fatigue
9. New Gastrointestinal symptoms
10. New loss of taste or smell
11. Have you been out of the state or country

B. Non-health related questions:

DO YOU HAVE YOUR LUNCH AND ALL SUPPLIES TO EAT IT WITH?

We will no longer offer the use of Microwaves, supply utensils, plates napkins etc.

Do you have a water bottle; (the water fountain is closed, the bottle filler station is closed.)

Do you have a mask?

The student will then access the building where they will find a touch-free fever checking system. This is mandatory as we will be taking attendance as well. If a fever is detected the student will be sent home immediately.

Signage will be in place to show the directional flow of student traffic. Students will go immediately to first-period class, we will have online assemblies.

We will open classrooms as usual and limit class size to allow for social distancing. We will be putting up plastic guards on the desks and requiring students to wear face shield/ or masks when necessary. We will be placing students in cohorts as much as possible to limit interaction with the entire population.

If a student is at home self- quarantining or feels they may be getting sick we ask the student to log on to their classroom and participate through Google Meet. We will have a success coach to work as the intermediary between students who are distance learning and teachers.

If your child is immunocompromised and/or you do not feel they would be safe at school, we are making distance learning available. These students will be responsible for logging on to the classes and getting their work completed on time. These students will also have a success coach to ensure access to materials and documents as necessary.

Regardless of which option you are choosing the school must know where your child is each and every day. The state is monitoring absenteeism to ensure early identification of any breakouts. An email or phone call to the school is required.

I have created an online survey to determine parents' interest in education preference. **Once the decision is made, it is not permanent changes can be made to accommodate students. Please remember space is limited, only students whose contracts have been returned are guaranteed placement. We have waitlisted a few classes due to high demand. You can click on the link to go to survey <https://forms.gle/CbThxDLmh9FiYDcx5>**

You may also contact the school to tell us your intentions: 727-845-8150 M-TR 9-3

Community supplies

We will no longer be requesting community supplies to share with all the students. Each student will be given a plastic bin to be kept in their homeroom (1st period) students are then expected to gather the supplies they will need for the day. Parents are required to ensure their child has the supplies they need, and refill them as necessary throughout the year. Teachers may have additional supply requests.

Pencils

Markers

clean masks

Scissors

Tape

Glue and glue sticks

Highlighter

8 composition books

Students must have headphones and a mouse with them each day, otherwise, they will not have access to our computers.

Please label these items to prevent common contact.

We will continue to use a 2" binder with colored folders to organize work. This will be kept in the students' backpack.

We are requesting help with some of the supplies for the teachers:

- 4 reams of copy paper
- 1 pack of expo markers
- 4 containers of antibacterial wipes
- 2 boxes of tissues
- 2 Large hand soap refills
- 2 Hand sanitizer

Facility and Safety

Millennium Academy is taking a thorough approach to facility cleanliness.

Students will be wiping desks down prior to using them (middle and high)

Elementary students will have help from adults.

Teachers and cleaners will be sanitizing all touchpoints throughout the day. This includes doorknobs, computer keyboards, bathrooms, and sinks, etc

We will Increase the changing of AC Filters

We will maintain hand sanitizers in each classroom

Additional handwashing stations throughout the facility.

Nightly sanitizing of the facility with an Emist electrostatic sprayer.

Monthly use of Ozone generators and UV lights

At this time, we will be suspending all sports programs on campus, we are currently looking for sports that can be played without contact.

Drumline will be allowed to continue by using social distancing rules.

All policies and provisions set forth will not jeopardize and scholarship your child may have. Additional requirements for regular contact may be put in place to maintain scholarship requirements.

We take the education of your child just as seriously as we do keeping them safe and healthy. We will continue to discuss hand washing and other hygiene tips to stay safe in the classroom.

We appreciate your help and understanding in this the New Normal. We can all work together and create a safe environment for all of the students and faculty here at Millennium Academy.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me directly.

Sincerely,

Lori Ekblad