

# DEER VALLEY ACADEMY



August 13, 2020

On July 23, 2020, Governor Ducey introduced Executive Order 2020-51, which outlined guidance for reopening Arizona schools. Schools were instructed to maintain their state-approved academic calendars and begin on their intended start date using a distance learning model. Deer Valley Academy will begin distance learning on August 17, 2020.

The safety, welfare and health of our students, staff and families has been the number one priority of the Board and Administration since the original closure in March. That will not change as we move into the 2020-2021 academic year. **Therefore, the Deer Valley Academy Governing Board voted on August 12, 2020, to delay the start of in-person learning.** This plan will be re-evaluated in mid-September.

Pursuant to Executive Order 2020-51, the following is Deer Valley Academy's on-site learning plan:

- Upon entering campus, students are required to respond to a questionnaire focused on identifying known COVID-19 symptoms and/or receive a temperature check. Per CDC guidelines, any student with responses coinciding with known COVID-19 symptoms, or with a temperature of 100.4 or greater, will remain in an isolated area. Any student that is sick or not feeling well is asked to stay home. Staff will follow the same guidelines and will be asked to stay home if sick, or leave campus if displaying symptoms or a fever. Please note that visitors to campus will be very limited.
- Deer Valley Academy's on-site learning plan will be Monday – Thursday from 3:15-8:15pm. Staff are in a supervisory role only.
- Students will be expected to **physically distance** using a minimum of 6ft between each other.
- Students will be expected to **wear face masks**. If a student does not have a face mask, one will be provided.
- Students will be expected to **bring all materials and devices** with them each day and to **wear headphones**.
- Students will be expected to abide by the Student Code of Conduct.

As Deer Valley Academy continues to monitor COVID-19, please know we are committed to using Arizona Department of Health Safety's (ADHS) benchmarks, presented August 6, 2020, and guidance from our county health officials to determine when and how we will reopen fully for in-person learning.

Sincerely,

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Barbara Dalicandro, Executive Director

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Arlene Duston, Governing Board President