July 13, 2020

Dear Parents,

Upon review, the LSU Administration has waived some Covid-19 restrictions which allows ULS to follow the LDOE guidelines, similar to other public schools in Louisiana. The LSU waiver will allow all K-12 students to attend ULS on a daily basis, when Phase 3 is announced. Please read the update carefully.

Phase 3 Wellness and Logistics:

- There may be school closures (3-5 days) if the school environment is determined to be a source of ongoing COVID-19 spread and/or the ventilation (HVAC) system fails. The closure(s) will be made by the ULS administration with guidance and expertise from the Region 2 Medical Director.
- Temperature checks will be conducted upon arrival at school (and when visiting the nurse).
- Students with 100.4+ fever may not remain at school and must be picked up immediately.
- Students who are sick should stay at home (regardless of illness).
- Students who are COVID-19 positive must stay at home until deemed non-infectious by a doctor.
- Parents are to report if their child has been on fever reducing medication in the prior 24 hours or has had a cough or shortness of breath.
- Individuals who were in close contact (less than 6 feet for over 15 minutes) with COVID-19 should stay at home and monitor symptoms for 14 days.
- There will be a marked area (door at front stairwell) where students with fever will be picked up.
- Face coverings should be worn, by adults and students in 3rd-12th grades, as able, to the maximum extent possible at arrival, in classrooms, during transitions within the school building, and at dismissal.
- It is the responsibility of each individual to provide their own face covering.
- All individuals will use hand sanitizer at arrival, every 2 hours, before and after eating or using play equipment, and at exit/dis dismissal.
- Antibacterial wipes/disinfectant spray will be used on learning surfaces as groups change.
- Students and teachers will use hand sanitizer at every class change.
- Water fountains will be turned off.
- Students should bring water (with closed top) and may purchase water from the cafeteria.
- Bottled water purchased in the cafeteria, with a student ID card, will be billed via FACTS.
- To the extent possible, lunch will be served in the cafeteria. Students will be seated appropriately and hygiene protocols will be followed including disposable utensils. 6th-12th grade students may eat in the courtyard using social distancing requirements.
- Field trips will be discontinued until COVID-19 restrictions are lifted.
- Visitors will be allowed in the school building only in extenuating circumstances.
- To the extent possible, students will be separated with flow paths during transitions.
- ULS will utilize the sanitation guidelines and procedures implemented by LSU.
- High touch surfaces will be cleaned before and after a group’s use.
- ULS Athletic guidelines comply with LHSAA, LDOE, and EOC guidelines and are communicated by coaches under the supervision of the Athletic Director.

The previously communicated plan will be implemented for Phase 2:

There may be school closures (3-5 days) if the school environment is determined to be a source of ongoing COVID-19 spread and/or the ventilation (HVAC) system fails. The closure(s) will be made by the ULS administration with guidance and expertise from the Region 2 Medical Director.

- Student enrollment has been divided by family, into Group A and Group B, so that approximately 50% of the students will attend class at ULS on designated days Monday - Thursday. All class instruction will be virtual on Fridays.
The master schedule will be maintained and followed on all days Monday – Friday.

*Friday – Some courses (ex. Dual Enrollment) will require students to test in small groups at ULS.

Instruction will be delivered synchronously and asynchronously based on grade/department and instructor. Additional information will be forthcoming.

The master calendar will be followed to the extent possible.

Attendance, instructional minutes, and state assessments are required.

Assignment deadlines and academic integrity will be maintained and enforced.

Cub Care will operate based on the Group A and Group B attendance days.

Financial consideration will be given for meal plans and Cub Care. In light of the continued uncertainty surrounding COVID-19, a decision has been made to alter both the mechanism and timeline, of billing for those families who are enrolled in the ULS Cafeteria Meal Plan and/or Cub Care. Currently, students enrolled in the ULS Cafeteria Meal Plan are billed at the beginning of the month, along with tuition. Students enrolled in Cub Care receive a monthly incidental invoice, due 30 days, for the current month of service. Moving forward, both the meal plan and Cub Care will be invoiced as a monthly incidental, due 30 days, for the prior month of service. This change will help to mitigate any potential credits or refunds owed for days not serviced, whether due to potential COVID-19 closures and/or your child’s scheduled class days based on the ULS Return to School Plan. For those families who’ve already had the meal plan drafted on the July 1 tuition and fee billing, an applicable credit will be reflected on the August 1 draft payment.

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The previously communicated plan will be implemented for **Phase 1**:

- If the Governor or LSU institutes Phase 1 restrictions, ULS will use only virtual teaching/learning platforms. Financial consideration will be given for meal plans and Cub Care as in Phase 2.

ULS is grateful to the LSU Administration for the waiver. Please monitor, and ULS will communicate, the phase under which school will begin on August 5th. We share the same goal of getting every student back to school every day while prioritizing health and safety. Answers to questions submitted on-line will be sent as soon as possible.

Thank you for your continued patience and understanding as we navigate challenging times together.

My best,
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