Both schools will begin the academic year with virtual learning for all students.

In person learning at both schools will begin, five days per week, normal hours.

Each school will enroll fewer than 30 students, which will allow space for safe distancing of students and staff members.

In the event of a shutdown related to COVID-19, virtual/remote learning will be provided by HCDDS to the fullest extent possible until reopened.

Tuition will remain the same, as our operating costs will not change. If a student is not returning this fall to in-person instruction due to health concerns, a virtual only option will be offered. If neither option works for a student, please let us know if you plan to dis-enroll the student ASAP.
CLEANING, SANITIZING, AND PPE PROTOCOL

- 23 hand sanitizing locations spread throughout the buildings. Two located outside to be utilized by every staff and student upon entry. 21 sinks/soap stations available for consistent hand washing throughout the day.

- All staff will be masked while indoors and gloved while changing and/or assisting students with food. Students will be encouraged to wear masks as tolerated.

- All classrooms and high touch areas will be disinfected/sanitized at a minimum of two times throughout the school day. All learning materials will be disinfected after use. Both schools will be professionally disinfected nightly with a Viking, electrostatic mister.

- Social distancing will be practiced daily by staff and encouraged with all students. Maximum number of students in each classroom is 6 in an effort to maintain distance. When possible some classrooms will serve students in adjacent rooms to increase distancing. Each classroom will be equipped with a three foot, transparent, mobile barrier (with a pass through window) for one-on-one instruction.

- Students will remain in their own classroom for the majority of the day, therapists and specialists will be coming into the rooms to deliver services and the students will travel only to gym, outdoor recess, and to lunch. Lunch will be spaced seating, with staff delivering the cafeteria lunches and preparing food that is brought in from home. Community travel will be limited to in car only outings and there will be no visitors in the building during the day or evenings.

ILLNESS PROTOCOL

- All student temperatures will be checked when exiting bus/van/parents vehicle prior to building entry.

- If temperature is above 100 (following a cooling off period during warm months), student will be placed in a quarantine room and will be monitored by nursing staff while awaiting pick up.

- If parent/provider is unable to transport a student, school personnel certified to transport students will take the student home.

- COVID positive students or staff will be quarantined for 10 days before returning to school. Contact tracing will be conducted by the Hamilton County Health Department or Cincinnati Health Department. Other illnesses: student must see a medical provider and be fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever reducing medication and be symptom free for three days prior to returning to school.

- If a student or staff member is determined to have been in contact with a person who has tested positive for the virus, the individual will not come to school and should quarantine for 14 days. “Contact” is defined as being within 6 feet of a person with the Covid-19 virus for a period of 15 minutes within the past 48 hours.